



California Faculty Association

## 2026 Legislative Priorities

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### **SPONSORED BILLS**

- **AB 1831 (Ahrens): CSU Executive Compensation** would require the CSU Board of Trustees to repeal a policy on executive compensation adopted at the November 2025 meeting of the trustees and adopt a new policy on executive compensation that aligns initial presidential salaries with comparable institutions and conditions their salary increases on meeting goals that include enrollment, fundraising, and retention and graduation rates. The bill would also prohibit the trustees, for any fiscal year in which the trustees authorize an increase in student tuition, from increasing the compensation of a chancellor, vice chancellor, executive president, or member of the management personnel plan staff.
  - **Passed Assembly Higher Education Committee on 3/17/26.**
  - **Passed Assembly Appropriations Committee on 5/14/26.**
  - **Passed the Assembly Floor on 5/26/26.**
  - **Status: Senate Education Committee – hearing date: 6/24/26.**
- **AB 2523 (Fong): Public Accessibility in Higher Ed Governing Boards** would require the CSU and California Community Colleges and request the UC to post on their websites the name, a short bio, and the contact information (used for conducting official business) of each member of their governing body: email address, phone number, and mailing address.
  - **Passed Assembly Higher Education Committee on 4/21/26.**
  - **Passed Assembly Appropriations Committee on 5/13/26.**
  - **Passed the Assembly Floor on 5/21/26.**
  - **Passed Senate Education Committee on 6/17/26.**
  - **Status: Senate Appropriations Committee.**
- **SB 928 (Cervantes): Protections for CSU Faculty from AI Encroachments** would define that a faculty member be a real person, preventing them being replaced by AI. This bill would also require that an instructor of record for a course be a real person.
  - **Passed the Senate Education Committee on 4/15/26.**
  - **Passed the Senate Floor on 4/23/26.**
  - **Passed Assembly Higher Education Committee on 6/10/26.**
  - **Status: Assembly Floor.**

## **OPPOSE BILLS**

- **AB 664 (Alvarez): *Southwestern Community College District*** would authorize Southwestern Community College District to offer 4 baccalaureate degree programs.
  - **Status:** Senate Education Committee.
- **AB 2117 (Alvarez): *Superintendent of Public Instruction: Secretary of Education*** would shift the oversight of the California Department of Education (CDE) from the elected State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) to a Governor-appointed position.
  - **Status:** Senate Education Committee.
- **AB 2615 (Zbur): *Education Equity: discrimination*** is the “cleanup” bill for AB 715. This bill fails to address critical concerns resulting from the enactment of AB 715 (Chapter 428, Statutes of 2025), which increases the risk of politically motivated attacks against public education. The authors have not kept their commitment to addressing serious concerns from AB 715.
  - **Status:** Assembly Rules Committee.
- **AB 2301 (Soria): *CCC Bachelor of Nursing Pilot*** would require the California Community College Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO) to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes 10 community college districts to offer a BS in Nursing.
  - **Status:** Senate Education Committee.
- **AB 2694 (Alvarez): *CCC Bachelor Degree Programs*** would prohibit a community college district to offer a baccalaureate degree program substantially similar to a program offered by the UC or CSU within the same region, except where the UC or CSU does not enroll students from that region in the program or there are documented unmet regional workforce needs.
  - **Status:** Senate Education Committee.
- **SB 960 (Cabaldon): *CCC Bachelor Degree Programs*** would allow any community college district to offer a baccalaureate degree program if the program or program curricula is not offered at a campus of the CSU whose local admission area overlaps with the territory of the community college district, or if the program at the local CSU campus has been impacted for 3 consecutive years before the date the program is approved.
  - **Status:** Assembly Higher Education Committee.

## **OTHER CONCERNS:**

- **Time, Place, and Manner (TPM) policies:** CFA continues to have grave concerns with University Campus Time, Place, and Manner (TPM) policies as they have been used to silence free speech. CFA strongly recommends a reevaluation of need for, the implementation of these policies in addition to an analysis of the outcome of these policies in the near future.

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