

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 391.019, as amended by section 2 of Senate Bill No. 442, chapter 139, Statutes of Nevada 2023, at page 693, NRS 391.033 and 391.0347, as amended by section 3.6 of Assembly Bill No. 428, chapter 491, Statutes of Nevada 2023, at page 3016.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising requirements concerning courses in multicultural education for certain licensed teachers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires a teacher who is initially licensed on or after July 1, 2019, except for a teacher who is licensed only as a substitute teacher, to submit with the first application for renewal of the license proof of the completion of a course in multicultural education. If the teacher is initially issued a nonrenewable license, the teacher must submit proof of the completion of a course in multicultural education with the first application for a renewable license to teach. Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to prescribe the required contents and number of credits for a course in multicultural education, as well as establish standards for professional development training which may be used to satisfy such course work requirements. (NRS 391.0347, as amended by section 3.6 of Assembly Bill No. 428, chapter 491, Statutes of Nevada 2023, at page 3016) Existing regulations require that the licensee complete such a course after the date of initial licensure. (NAC 391.067) This regulation removes the requirement that the course be completed after the initial date of licensure and provides that the course may be completed at any time before the date on which the licensee is required to submit proof of the completion of the course.

Section 1. NAC 391.067 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.067 1. The course in multicultural education required by NRS 391.0347 ~~must~~, *as amended by section 3.6 of Assembly Bill No. 428, chapter 491, Statutes of Nevada 2023, at page 3016:*

(a) ~~{Be}~~ *May be* completed by a licensee for whom the course is required ~~{after the date on which his or her initial license was issued;}~~ *at any time before the date on which the licensee is required to submit proof of completion of the course required by NRS 391.0347, as amended by section 3.6 of Assembly Bill No. 428, chapter 491, Statutes of Nevada 2023, at page 3016;*

(b) ~~{Be}~~ *Must be* offered by:

- (1) An accredited college or university and consist of at least 3 semester hours of credit; or
- (2) A school district in this State, the State Public Charter School Authority or a regional training program and consist of at least 45 hours of in-service training;

(c) ~~{Increase}~~ *Must increase* awareness and understanding of race and ethnicity and the interconnectedness of race and ethnicity with other aspects of diversity, including, without limitation, geographic origin, residency status, language, socioeconomic status, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, religion, spirituality, age, physical appearance and disability;

(d) ~~{Assess}~~ *Must assess* the capacity of the licensee for cultural competency, facilitate the development of knowledge and skills for cultural competency and build the capacity of the licensee for cultural competency;

(e) ~~{Include:}~~ *Must include:*

- (1) A review of best practices in pedagogy and selection and use of instructional materials, curriculum and assessments to ensure that all pupils are treated equitably;
- (2) Instruction in skills for communicating and developing relationships with pupils, families, colleagues and members of the community; and
- (3) A field-based experience demonstrating the application of all course materials and topics in an educational setting;

(f) ~~{Be}~~ ***Must be*** aligned with the standards and indicators for instructional leadership practices and professional responsibilities prescribed by NAC 391.572, 391.573, 391.575 and 391.576, as applicable;

(g) ~~{Use}~~ ***Must use*** resources that are based on current scientific research and national best practices in the field of multicultural education; and

(h) ~~{Address}~~ ***Must address*** the roles and responsibilities of the licensees for whom the course is designed.

2. A course in multicultural education completed to satisfy the requirements of NRS 391.0347, ***as amended by section 3.6 of Assembly Bill No. 428, chapter 491, Statutes of Nevada 2023, at page 3016,*** may also be used to satisfy the requirements of subparagraph 5 of paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NAC 391.111 if it also meets the requirements of subparagraph 5 of paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NAC 391.111.

3. As used in this section, “regional training program” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 391A.105.