

Glossary of Common Acronyms and Miscellaneous Abbreviations

This list appears in the Governance Handbook.

Acronym/ Abbreviation	Definition / Description
AA	Associate in Arts degree
AA-T	Associates in Arts for Transfer
AB540	CA State law that allowed students meeting certain criteria to pay resident tuition rates
AB1725	Assembly Bill 1725 is landmark legislation that provides new direction and support for the community college. The bill's reforms fall into eight areas: Mission; Governance; Finance; New Programs and Services; Affirmative Action; Employment Policies; Accountability; Conditions and Appropriation for Reform.
ABC	Administrative Benefits Council
ACCESS	In cooperation with UCSC, an academic bridge program for community college students interested in pursuing a career in research science. Its mission is to provide students with opportunities to acquire knowledge and skills that will increase their transfer eligibility and academic success, and lead to greater diversity among university undergraduates in the biomedical sciences. The program focuses on students whose academic goals and potential have been affected by disadvantageous circumstances and/or students who belong to groups with below-average UC enrollment rates. (not an acronym)
ACE	Academy for College Excellence (formerly known as DBA, Digital Bridge Academy) (Student Learning Community)
ACHRO/EEO	Statewide Association of Chief Human Resources Officers/Equal Employment EEO Officers
ACCT	Accounting (Instructional Program)
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act - A federal act which mandates full accessibility for students and employees with disabilities
ADAPT	Adaptive Physical Education (instructional Program)
A&R	Admissions and Records Office
ADT	Associate Degree for Transfer
AEBG	Adult Education Block Grant
AGS	Alpha Gamma Sigma (campus club - Student Honor Society)
AH	Art History (Instructional Program)
ALH	Allied Health (Instructional Program)
AMAP	Accelerated Medical Assisting Program (Student Learning Community)
AMC	Administrators/Managers Council
ANTHR	Anthropology (Instructional Program)
AP	Accounts Payable (in Business Office)
AP	Art Photography (Instructional Program)
AP	Administrative Procedure (found in current Cabrillo Policy Manual)
AP	Advanced Placement (high school)
ARC	Assessment Review Committee (officially OARC)
ART	Art-Studio (Instructional Program)
AS	Associate in Science degree
AS-T	Associates in Science for Transfer

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ASC	Accessibility Support Center (formerly DSPS)
ASCC	Associated Students of Cabrillo College
ASCCC	Academic Senate for the California Community Colleges. The statewide organization representing the faculty on matters of educational policy. Local academic senates also have rights and responsibilities related to local district governance.
ASL	American Sign Language (Instructional Program)
ASTRO	Astronomy (Instructional Program)
ATH	Athletics (Instructional Program)
AUO	Administrative Unit Outcomes (measures what administrative unit does for others) as opposed to SLO (student learning outcomes)
BBP	Blood-borne pathogens
BBS	Bilingual/Bicultural Studies (Instructional Program)
BELA	Business, English, and Language Arts Division
BIO	Biology (Instructional Program)
BOG	Board of Governors. Appointed by the Governor, the Board establishes policy for the California Community Colleges
BOGW	Board of Governors fee waiver (waives the unit enrollment fee at Community Colleges for California residents, including high school students, so that the cost of enrollment is not a barrier. Eligibility is based on financial need.)
BP	Board Policy (found in Cabrillo Policy Manual)
BSO	Business Services Office
BUS	Business (Instructional Program)
CAHM	Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management (Instructional Program)
CABT	Computer Applications/Business Technology (Instructional Program)
CalWORKs	California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids – a categorically funded program for colleges serving low-income families; student and dependent child are receiving TANF funding
CAP	Cabrillo Advancement Program (Student Learning Community)
CARE	Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education – a categorically funded program for colleges serving single parent students with dependent child; parent or dependent child is receiving TANF funding
CBO	Chief Business Officer (aka Vice President of Administrative Services)
CCEU	Cabrillo Classified Employees Union (certified May 1, 2007)
CCFT	Cabrillo College Federation of Teachers (faculty union)
CEM	Construction and Energy Management (Instructional Program)
CEO	Chief Executive Officer (aka President/Superintendent)
CESS	Counseling and Educational Support Services
CFRA	California Family Rights Act
CG	Counseling and Guidance
CHAC	Cabrillo Hispanic Affairs Council
CHEM	Chemistry (Instructional Program)
CIO	Chief Instructional Officer (aka, Vice President of Instruction)
CIP	Council for Instructional Planning
CIS	Computer and Information Systems (Instructional Program)
CJ	Criminal Justice (Instructional Program)
COLA	Cost of Living Adjustment

Acronym/ Abbreviation	Definition / Description
COMM	Communication Studies (Instructional Program)
CPC	College Planning Committee
CS	Computer Science (Instructional Program)
CSSO	Chief Student Services Officer (aka Vice President of Student Services)
CTC	Computer Technology Center
CTE	Career Technical Education
CWEE	Cooperative Work Experience Education
DACA	Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals
DANCE	Dance (Instructional Program)
DAS	Division Accounting Specialist
DC	Department Chair
DE	Distance Education
DH	Dental Hygiene (Instructional Program)
DM	Digital Media (Instructional Program)
DMAG	Data Management Advisory Group
DMCP	Digital Management Career Preparation (Instructional Program related to ACE)
DSPS	Disabled Student Program and Services (former name)
ECE	Early Childhood Education (Instructional Program)
ECON	Economics (Instructional Program)
EDUC	Education (Instructional Program)
EEOC	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
EMP	Educational Master Plan
ENGL	English (Instructional Program)
ENGR	Engineering (Instructional Program)
EOPS	Extended Opportunity Program and Services - a categorically funded program for colleges serving educationally and economically disadvantaged students
ES	Environmental Science (Instructional Program)
ESL	English as a Second Language (Instructional Program)
ETECH	Engineering Technology (Instructional Program)
FA	Financial Aid
FAFSA	Free Application for Federal Student Aid
Flex	Flexible faculty schedule (annually 9 days of faculty staff development)
FMP	Facilities Master Plan
FON	Faculty Obligation Number
FPC	Facilities Planning Committee
FPPO	Facilities Planning and Plant Operations (formerly M&O)
FR	French (Instructional Program)
FSA	Faculty Service Area (used for faculty layoff and reassignment purposes defined in CCFT contract)
FT	Fire Technology (Instructional Program)
FTEF	Full-Time Equivalent Faculty
FTES	Full-Time Equivalent Student
GE	Gainful Employment (Federal reporting requirement)
GE	General Education

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GEOG	Geography (Instructional Program)
GEOL	Geology (Instructional Program)
G-MUG	Grant Managers User Group
GO	Grants Office
GOAL	Greater Opportunity for Adult Learning (formerly AEBG)
GP	Guided Pathways
GPA	Grade point average
GRMN	German (Instructional Program)
HASS	Human Arts and Social Sciences Division
HAWK	Health, Athletics, Wellness and Kinesiology Division
HIST	History (Instructional Program)
HONRS	Honors (Instructional Program)
HORT	Horticulture (Instructional Program), also name of building/location
HR	Human Resources department
HS	Health Science (Instructional Program)
HSERV	Human Services (Instructional Program)
IA	Instructional Assistant (classified position)
IAC	Instructional Administrator Council
IC	Instruction Council
IDA	Instructional Division Assistant (classified position)
IEC	Institutional Effectiveness Committee
ILC	Integrated Learning Center (location: Watsonville Campus)
IGETC	Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum
IPA	Instructional Procedures Analyst
IT	Information Technology (formerly CR, Computer Resources)
ITAL	Italian (Instructional Program)
JAPAN	Japanese (Instructional Program)
JOURN	Journalism (Instructional Program)
KIN	Kinesiology (Instructional Program) (formerly PE)
LIBR	Library (instructional Program), also name of building/location
LRC	Learning Resources Center
LS	Learning Skills
MA	Medical Assisting (Instructional Program)
MATH	Mathematics (Instructional Program)
MESA	Math, Engineering, and Science Achievement program (Student Learning Community)
METEO	Meteorology (Instructional Program)
MLC	Math Learning Center
MQs	Minimum Qualifications. Replaces California Community College credentials for state-defined academic qualifications related to faculty hiring
MUS	Music (Instructional Program)
N	Nursing (Instructional Program)
NAS	Natural and Applied Sciences Division
NEB	Net Ending Balance
NextUp	Renamed CAFYES (Cooperating Agencies Foster Youth Educational Support) program

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OARC	Outcomes Assessment Review Committee (aka ARC)
OCEAN	Oceanography (Instructional Program)
PCN	Position Control Number (budget-related position number)
PCTE	Perkins Career and Technical Education Act
PDA	Professional Development Activity
PERS	Public Employees' Retirement System
PHILO	Philosophy (Instructional Program)
PHYS	Physics (Instructional Program)
PIE	Program Improvement and Effectiveness
PIO	Public Information Officer
PIT	Program Implementation Team (for Guided Pathways)
PO	Purchase Order
PR	Purchase Requisition
PRO	Planning and Research Office
PS	Political Science (Instructional Program)
PSYCH	Psychology (Instructional Program)
RE	Real Estate (Instructional Program)
READ	Reading (Instructional Program)
RT	Radiologic Technology (Instructional Program)
SAS	Senior Accounting Specialist (classified position)
SBDC	Small Business Development Center
SDLC	Stroke and Disability Learning Center (also known as the Stroke Center)
SESAG	Student Equity and Success Advisory Group
SEP	Student Educational Plan
SESSC	Student Equity and Success Steering Committee
SLO	Student Learning Outcomes (measures knowledge, skills, abilities and attitudes students gain)
SLS	Sign Language Studies (Instructional Program, now ALS)
SOC	Sociology (Instructional Program)
SPAN	Spanish (Instructional Program)
SPECS	(Scholars Program for Engineering College Students) Cluster term for departments working together in the HASS Division
SPED	Special Education (Instructional Program)
SQL	Structured Query Language
SRTK	Student Right-to-Know
SSCT	Student Support & Care Team
SSSP	Student Success and Support Programs
STEAM	Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
STRS	State Teachers' Retirement System
SWP	Strong Workforce Program
TA	Teaching Assistant
TA	Theater Arts (Instructional Program)
TAC	Technology Advisory Committee (now TC)

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TAG	Transfer Admission Guarantees
TC	Technology Committee (formerly Technology Advisory Committee)
TLC	Teaching and Learning Center
TUs	Teaching Units
UCSC	University of California, Santa Cruz
VAPA	Visual, Applied and Performing Arts Division
VATEA	Vocational Applied Teacher Education Act
VP	Vice President
VPAS	Vice President, Administrative Services (aka CBO and formerly Vice President of Business Services)
VPI	Vice President, Instruction (aka CIO)
VPSS	Vice President, Student Services (aka CSSO)
VTEA	Vocational-Technical Education Act (Perkins)
W	Welding (Instructional Program)
WIOA	Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – a federally funded program serving dislocated worker or low-income adult students
WS	Women’s Studies (Instructional Program)
WSCH	Weekly Student Contact Hours