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NOTICE OF A COMMENT PERIOD ON A PROPOSED RULE

AGENCY: Higher Education Policy Commission TITLE NUMBER: 133

RULE TYPE: Legislative CITE AUTHORITY: §18B-1-8(c)

AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING RULE: YES NO

IF YES, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING AMENDED: _____

TITLE OF RULE BEING AMENDED: _____

IF NO, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING PROPOSED: Series 15

TITLE OF RULE BEING PROPOSED: Acceptance of Advanced Placement Credit

IN LIEU OF A PUBLIC HEARING, A COMMENT PERIOD HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED DURING WHICH ANY INTERESTED PERSON MAY SEND COMMENTS CONCERNING THESE PROPOSED RULES. THIS COMMENT PERIOD WILL END ON April 19, 2002 AT 10:00 AM ONLY WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND ARE TO BE MAILED TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Office of the Chancellor
Higher Education Policy Commission
1018 Kanawha Blvd. East
Charleston, WV 25301

THE ISSUES TO BE HEARD SHALL BE LIMITED TO THIS PROPOSED RULE.


Authorized Signature

ATTACH A **BRIEF** SUMMARY OF YOUR PROPOSAL

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March 19, 2002

The Honorable Joe Manchin
Secretary of State
State Capitol
Charleston, WV 25305

Dear Secretary Manchin:

On behalf of the Higher Education Policy Commission, I am filing notices of adoption of the following proposed rules that were approved on March 15, 2002, by the Higher Education Policy Commission:

Title 133, Series 13: Change in Organization of Colleges or Schools
Title 133, Series 14: Holidays

Also enclosed are notices of a public comment period on the following proposed rules that were approved on March 15, 2002, by the Higher Education Policy Commission:

Title 133, Series 15: Acceptance of Advanced Placement Credit
Title 133, Series 16: College Level Examination Program
Title 133, Series 17: Transferability of Credits and Grades at the Undergraduate Level
Title 133, Series 18: Assignment of Academic Credit and Financing Noncredit Instruction

Sincerely,

J. Michael Mullen
Chancellor

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SUMMARY

**TITLE 133
LEGISLATIVE RULE
WEST VIRGINIA HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY COMMISSION
SERIES 15
ACCEPTANCE OF ADVANCED PLACEMENT CREDIT**

This rule establishes Higher Education Policy Commission policy and guidelines for institutional policies in matters of acceptance of advanced placement credit. The Advanced Placement Program of the College Board is an instrument that allows high school students to master college subject matter and to document their intellectual achievements through successful completion of advanced placement examinations. Each institution shall develop guidelines for acceptance of advanced placement credits that are consistent with the provisions of this rule and publish the guidelines in the college or university bulletin and/or other appropriate institutional publications.

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LEGISLATIVE RULE

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WEST VIRGINIA HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY COMMISSION

OFFICE WEST VIRGINIA
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SERIES 15

TITLE: ACCEPTANCE OF ADVANCED PLACEMENT CREDIT

SECTION 1. GENERAL

- 1.1 Scope - This rule establishes Higher Education Policy Commission policy and guidelines for institutional policies in matters of acceptance of advanced placement credit.
- 1.2 Authority - West Virginia Code 18B-1-8(c)
- 1.3 Filing Date -
- 1.4 Effective Date -
- 1.5 Repeals and replaces Title 128, Series 4, and Title 131, Series 4.

SECTION 2. STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE

- 2.1 The Higher Education Policy Commission believes that it is important to encourage students at all educational levels to aspire to higher intellectual achievements and that the Advanced Placement Program of the College Board is an instrument that allows high school students to master college subject matter and to document their intellectual achievements through successful completion of advanced placement examinations.
- 2.2 The commission encourages high school students to participate in this program in which successful completion of examinations will result in the acceptance of credit by all West Virginia state colleges and universities.

SECTION 3. GUIDELINES FOR ACCEPTANCE OF ADVANCED PLACEMENT CREDIT

- 3.1 West Virginia state colleges and universities shall accept advanced placement credits according to the following guidelines:
 - 3.1.1 High school students completing advanced placement examinations of the College Board with a minimum score of 3 will receive credit at any state college or university, as indicated in the list of advanced placement exams offered by the College Board. The Central Office of the Higher Education Policy Commission maintains a list of all College Board

advanced placement exams and the minimum number of credits that each institution shall grant.

- 3.1.2 When the examination is in the area of the student's major, the institution will award credit toward the major or the core curriculum.
- 3.1.3 An academic department within the institution may, upon approval of the institutional faculty, require a higher score than 3 on an advanced placement test if the credit is to be used toward meeting a course requirement for a major in the department.
- 3.1.4 Credits awarded by regionally accredited institutions of higher education for successful completion of advanced placement exams are transferable to West Virginia state colleges and universities in accordance with the advanced placement policy of the receiving institution.

SECTION 4. INSTITUTIONAL GUIDELINES

- 4.1 Each institution shall develop guidelines for acceptance of advanced placement credits that are consistent with the provisions of this rule and publish the guidelines in the college or university bulletin and/or other appropriate institutional publications.

SECTION 5. INSTITUTIONAL POLICY

- 5.1 Each institution shall file its policy on award of advanced placement credit with the Chancellor's office

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APPENDIX B

FISCAL NOTE FOR PROPOSED RULES

Rule Title: 133-15: Acceptance of Advanced Placement Credit

Type of Rule: X Legislative _____ Interpretive _____ Procedural

Agency: Higher Education Policy Commission

Address: 1018 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25301

1. Effect of Proposed rule:

	ANNUAL FISCAL YEAR				
	INCREASE	DECREASE	CURRENT	NEXT	THEREAFTER
ESTIMATED TOTAL COST	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PERSONAL SERVICES					
CURRENT EXPENSE					
REPAIRS & ALTERATIONS					
EQUIPMENT					
OTHER					

2. Explanation of Above Estimates:

There is no cost to implementation of this rule. It is procedural.

3. Objectives of These Rules:

To establish guidelines for institutional policies in matters of acceptance of advanced placement credit.

Rule Title: 133-15: Acceptance of Advanced Placement Credit

4. Explanation of Overall Economic Impact of Proposed Rule:

A. Economic Impact on State Government:

None.

B. Economic Impact on Political Subdivisions; Specific Industries; Specific Groups of Citizens:

None

C. Economic Impact on Citizens/Public at Large.

None

Date: March 19, 2002

Signature of Agency Head or Authorized Representative:

J. Michael Mullen