All part-time faculty members hired by the Riverside Community College District must possess the minimum qualifications established by Education Code, or be certified to possess equivalent qualifications through a process established by the Academic Senate and the District Board in accordance with the Education Code. Part-time faculty members will be hired in accordance with the steps established below.

1. Applicant Pool
   a. Hiring individuals from an applicant pool: The Diversity and Human Resources Office will accept on-line applications for all disciplines on an ongoing basis to establish and maintain a pool of candidates.
   b. Applicants will apply on-line at jobs.rccd.edu by selecting the discipline(s) for which they are qualified.
   c. The Department may identify and recruit qualified individuals for a vacancy. All individuals considered for a position must have an on-line application completed with the District.
   d. The final posting notice shall be shared with the Department Chair before the posting is made public. If there are any changes required, Diversity and Human Resources will include those in the posting for publication.
   e. The Office of Diversity, Equity and Compliance may, at any time, review an applicant pool, and request additional outreach and/or advertising of a position to assure a diverse pool of candidates.

2. Identify a Position and Develop Hiring Plan
   a. Each department will determine subject area needs for additional part-time faculty and communicate such needs to the Department Chair.
b. The Department Chair will contact the Diversity and Human Resources Office to request on-line access, for themselves or designees, to the current applicant pool. If the applicant pool is not sufficient, the Department Chair may request the position be advertised so as to encourage a broad applicant pool. The Diversity and Human Resources Office will advertise the vacancy in standard publications and websites (local newspapers, RCCD website, Careerbuilders.com, HigherEdJobs.com, SoCalHERC.com, California Community College Registry, and Caljobs.ca.gov.). The Department may recommend additional advertising sources.

c. Part-time faculty candidates will be interviewed by a minimum of two full-time members of the department, one of whom must be a member of the discipline or related discipline of the applicant.

d. The Department Chair will complete an Intent to Hire Form for Part-Time Faculty and Substitutes, which will include, a listing of who served on the interview committee and the posting number of the on-line position the individual is hired from and forward it to the area Dean for approval and budget allocation information. Once approved, the area Dean will forward the form to the Diversity and Human Resources Office.

3. Emergency Situations

a. This process may be modified for emergency situations. Emergency situations may include, but are not limited to, last minute addition of sections or unexpected leave of scheduled instructors.

b. In those emergency situations, the Department Chair will notify the Vice President and the department will provide documentation of the necessity to modify the hiring process. The Vice President will sign approval on the Intent to Hire Form for Part-Time Faculty and Substitutes form.

c. In cases where the department chair is unable or unavailable to conduct the interview and complete the hiring process, the Dean or Vice President will involve at least one discipline faculty member, or a faculty member from a closely related discipline, to participate in hiring a part-time faculty member to meet the immediate need.

d. Diversity and Human Resources will review and confirm applicants’ qualifications and sign approval on the Intent to Hire Form for Part-Time Faculty and Substitutes form prior to an offer of employment.
4. Offer of Employment

a. The Diversity and Human Resources Office will convey a conditional offer of employment to the selected candidate. The offer is conditioned upon several events taking place, such as, but not limited to, tuberculosis testing, fingerprinting, transcripts, employment verification and Board approval.

b. After the interview and selection process, an Intent to Hire Form for Part-Time Faculty and Substitutes form is completed by the Department Chair. The form will list budget allocations and will be approved by the Area Dean.

c. Part-time faculty are employed on a semester-by-semester basis (with no contract implications), at the discretion of the District. Part-time faculty assignments are made based on departmental procedure.

d. The Diversity and Human Resources Office will determine salary placement in accordance with the Faculty Hourly Salary Schedule.

e. The Diversity and Human Resources Office will contact the candidate to verify minimum qualifications and complete the necessary pre-employment paperwork.

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Also see Administrative Procedure 3410, titled Nondiscrimination and Administrative Procedure 3420, titled Equal Employment Opportunity

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