CSN Policy	Nepotism Policy
Policy Category: Human Resources	Effective Date: 07/11/2013
MOST RECENT CHANGES	
Version # 1:	

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#### I. POLICY PURPOSE

- To avoid favoritism and conflicts of interests in employment decisions
- To identify relationships of employees that may impact our mission

#### II. POLICY STATEMENT

- A. This policy is in accordance with the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) and applies to, but is not limited to, the following employment decisions:
  - 1. Hiring
  - 2. Promotions
  - 3. Reappointments
  - 4. Evaluations
  - 5. Awarding of Salaries
  - 6. Terminations
  - 7. Discipline

The above employment decisions will be based on qualifications, abilities and work performance for the position. In order to avoid favoritism and conflicts of interest in employment decisions, the College of Southern Nevada (CSN) reserves the right to take action when relationships of employees impact on our mission.

CSN does not permit employment, of any kind, where one employee is the immediate supervisor or has direct control or significant influence over a family member where the above noted employment decisions are involved. If such a situation does occur, it is considered to be "Nepotism" and is prohibited.

Violators of this policy will be subject to disciplinary actions, NRS and NAC sanctions. Exceptions to this policy, excluding violations of the NRS and NAC, must be approved by the President.

- B. Nevada Revised Statute 281.210 prohibits a CSN official, with authority to employ others, from employing, reemploying or recommending for employment at CSN, any of their relatives within the third degree of CONSANGUINITY or AFFINITY.
  - 1. <u>Relatives Consanguinity applies to</u>:
    - a. Parent
- h. Half Sister

Uncle

Aunt

Niece

Nephew

First Cousin

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m.

- Child
- c. Grandparent
- d. Grandchild
- e. Brother

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f.

- Sister
- g. Half Brother

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- 2. <u>Relatives Affinity applies to</u>:
  - a. Husband
  - b. Wife
  - c. Step Parent
  - d. Step Child
  - e. Step Brother
  - f. Step Sister
  - g. Brother-in-Law
  - h. Sister-in-Law

- i. Father-in-Law
- j. Mother-in-Law
- k. Son-in-Law
- I. Daughter-in-Law
- m. Uncle
- n. Aunt
- o. Nephew
- p. Niece

Nevada Administrative Code 284.375 prohibits CSN employees from being the immediate supervisor of or in the direct line of authority of their relatives who are employed at CSN.

#### III. PROCEDURE

- A. All employees are required to complete the Current and/or Change in Family Relationships Form.
- B. CSN employees that become related to each other, during the course of their employment, are required to do the following within 10 days of becoming related or appointment to a position of authority:
  - 1. Notify the Department Head and Human Resources, in writing, of the relationship to ensure that one employee does not become the immediate supervisor or in the direct line of authority of the other.
  - Request CSN to take action to ensure that one employee does not continue to hold positions in which they are the immediate supervisor or in the direct line of authority of the other.

## IV. AUTHORITY AND CROSS REFERENCE LINKS

Nevada Revised Statute 281.210 Nevada Administrative Code 284.375 Nevada Administrative Code 284.377 Current and/or Change in Family Relationships Form

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### V. **DISCLAIMER** (Include in All Policies)

The President has the discretion to suspend or rescind all or any part of this policy or related procedure(s). The President shall notify appropriate CSN personnel, including the Administrative Code Officer and Faculty Senate Chair, of the suspension or rescission.

Questions about this policy should be referred to the CSN Administrative Code Officer (<u>general.counsel@csn.edu</u>, 702.651.7488) and/or Thomas Brown, Associate Vice President for Human Resources, 651-7543, <u>thomas.brown@csn.edu</u>, Office E-414, Charleston Campus.

#### VI. SIGNATURES

Recommended by:

/s/ Thomas Brown	07/08/2013
Thomas Brown	Date
Associate Vice President for Human Resources	
Reviewed for Legal Sufficiency:	
/s/ Richard L. Hinckley	07/09/2013
General Counsel	Date
Approved by:	
/s/ Michael D. Richards	07/11/2013
CSN President	Date

## VII. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – History Attachment B - Glossary

## Attachment A - HISTORY

- Version 1:
  - o 07/11/2013: Approved by CSN President (M. Richards)
  - o 07/09/2013: Reviewed by General Counsel (R. Hinckley)
  - o 07/08/2013: Recommended by Associate Vice President for Human Resources (T. Brown)

## Attachment B - Glossary

# Consanguinity: Blood relation

Affinity: Marriage relation