

New Business Item 14-39

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TITLE: Modification of the State Approval Review Process for Indigenous Teacher Education Programs

The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board approves the following modification for review of Indigenous Teacher Education Programs seeking initial or renewed state approval:

Reviews shall be conducted by a team composed of the following:

1. Out of state preparation provider faculty with experience working with Indigenous populations;
2. Hawaii licensed teacher;
3. Two World Indigenous Nations Higher Education Consortium (WINHEC) representatives.

HTSB staff shall serve as an observer during the review.

Should WINHEC offer accreditation to teacher preparation programs in the future the HTSB may consider recognizing WINHEC accreditation in the same way other national accreditors are utilized in the SATE process.

The HTSB makes this modification because current national teacher preparation accreditors are not able or willing to change their procedures to accommodate programs offered only in Hawaiian Language.

Due to this modification, Kahuawaiola Indigenous Teacher Education Program is granted an extension of its SATE approval through December 31, 2018 to have time to prepare for this modified review.

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Referred to: Teacher Education Committee