TITLE: Consideration of Department of Education Request to Allow Use of Six (6) Hours of Professional Development Courses to Add the Field of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) in Combination with Twenty-four (24) Hours of College Coursework

The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board approves the request of the Hawaii Department of Education to use six hours of professional development in combination with twenty-four hours of coursework from Kapiolani Community College (KCC) to be used by teachers to meet the content knowledge requirement to add the field of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) to their existing Hawaii license. Teachers must also meet all other requirements to add the field.

The Department of Education’s Office of Student Support Services is partnering with KCC to offer a pathway for teachers to add the TESOL field to their existing Hawaii license. The pathway includes twenty-four credit hours from KCC and six credit hours either from another institution of higher education or from the DOE’s PDe3 offerings.

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