This procedure is legally required.

I. Introduction

The authority and responsibility for the admissions process lies with the Vice President of Student Services or designee. Publication of admissions policies and procedures will be in the College Catalog, which is available online.

II. Admissions

A. Any graduate of an accredited high school may be admitted to Rio Hondo College.

B. Any person having successfully completed the California High School Proficiency Examination (CHSPE) or the General Education Developmental Test (GED) with scores of 45 overall and with no subtest lower than 35 may be admitted.

C. The College may admit persons 18 years of age or older without a high school diploma when the evidence indicates that the individual will profit from college-level instruction.

D. Admission procedures include a determination of residency status (see AP 5015 titled Residence Determination).

E. For admission of concurrently enrolled high school and younger students, see AP 5011.

III. Evaluation procedures

The Vice President of Student Services, or designee, shall establish procedures for evaluating the validity of a student’s high school completion if the Rio Hondo Community College District or the United States Department of Education has reason to believe that the high school diploma is not valid or was not obtained from an entity that provides secondary school education.

IV. Sources/references

A. Education Code 76000
B. 34 CFR Section 668.16(p) (U.S. Department of Education regulations on the Integrity of Federal Student Financial Aid Programs under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended

C. ACCJC Accreditation Standard II.C.6