

**Articulation Coordinating Committee  
August 13, 2009**

**Recommendations:  
College-Level Academic Skills (CLAS) Requirements**

The following recommendations relating to College-Level Academic Skills (CLAS) requirements were made by the Articulation Coordinating Committee during an August 13, 2009 Conference Call:

**Assessments**

1. ACC approved the use of SAT, ACT, and ACCUPLACER as examinations that can be used to meet CLAS requirements .
2. ACC approved cut scores for meeting CLAS requirements (see chart below).
3. General Knowledge Test - not approved for use, since it is not a nationally standardized exam

<u>Reading</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>500</b> or above on the SAT Critical Reading portion taken after February 2005</li><li>○ <b>500</b> or above on the Verbal section of the <u>recentered</u> SAT I taken prior to March 2005</li><li>○ <b>421</b> or above (<b>non-recentered score</b>) on the Verbal section of the SAT I taken prior to March 2005</li><li>○ <b>22</b> or above on the ACT program in Reading</li><li>○ <b>20</b> or above on the Composite of the ACT taken prior to October, 1989</li><li>○ <b>93</b> or above on the ACCUPLACER Reading Comprehension Examination</li></ul>
<u>English Language and Essay</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>500</b> or above on the SAT Writing portion taken after February 2005</li><li>○ <b>500</b> or above on the Verbal section of the <u>recentered</u> SAT I taken prior to March 2005</li><li>○ <b>421</b> or above (<b>non-recentered score</b>) on the Verbal section of the SAT I taken prior to March 2005</li><li>○ <b>21</b> or above on the ACT program in English</li><li>○ <b>21</b> or above on the ACT program in English/Writing (English with Essay</li></ul>

	component) ○ <b>20</b> or above on the Composite of the ACT taken prior to October, 1989 ○ <b>105</b> or above on the ACCUPLACER Sentence Skills Examination
<u>Computation</u>	○ <b>500</b> or above on the SAT Mathematics portion taken after February 2005 ○ <b>500</b> or above on the Mathematics section of the recentered SAT I taken prior to March 2005 ○ <b>473</b> or above ( <b>non-recentered score</b> ) on the Mathematics section of the SAT I taken prior to March 2005 ○ <b>21</b> or above on the ACT program in Mathematics ○ <b>21</b> or above on the ACT taken prior to October, 1989 ○ <b>91</b> or above on the ACCUPLACER Elementary Algebra examination

**Course options for meeting the CLAS Communication Skills requirement**

4. A student must earn a 2.5 GPA in a combination of at least one (1) course with the ENC prefix and any other course that is designated as a “Gordon Rule” writing course (excluding courses with the SPC prefix).

**Course options for meeting the CLAS Computation Skills requirement**

5. A student must earn a 2.5 GPA in any combination of two (2) courses from the list below:

Any MAC course w/ last 3 digits of 102 or higher
MGF X106 – Liberal Arts Mathematics I
MGF X107 – Liberal Arts Mathematics II
MGF X113 - Topics in College Mathematics I
MGF X114 – Topics in College Mathematics II
MGF X118 – Mathematics for CLAST Review
Any MGF course w/ last 3 digits of 202 or higher
Any Gordon Rule statistics course
Any math course that has College Algebra (MAC 1105) as a prerequisite

### **Application of credits earned via Credit-By-Examination**

6. Credit granted in accordance with the ACC Credit-By-Examination Equivalency List (including AP, IB, AICE, CLEP, DSST, and Excelsior) may be substituted for the courses used to meet CLAS skills requirements.
7. If a student earns credit in two (2) college courses within the same subject area via ACC-approved credit-by examination, the CLAS requirements in that subject area will be considered “met.”
8. If a student earns credit for one (1) college course via approved ACC credit –by-examination, no grade will be assigned for that course. The 2.5 GPA calculation will be calculated only on the grade earned in the 2<sup>nd</sup> course. (i.e. the grade in the second course must equate to a 2.5 or higher).

### **FASTER Transcript Codes**

9. For students who receive a “waiver” of CLAS requirements, a code of “**999**” and a statement indicating that a waiver has been granted will be recorded on the transcript.
10. For students who meet the CLAS requirements via any of the approved options listed above (i.e. 2.5 GPA in approved courses or score achieved on an approved assessment), a code of “**995**” will be recorded on the transcript.