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A Message from the President

South Texas College is conveniently located near your home with three campuses in McAllen, one in Weslaco and one in Rio Grande City. There are also two teaching centers offering evening classes, one in La Joya, and another in Pharr. This means you do not have to travel far for a quality education at an affordable price. The College is proud of its numerous accomplishments throughout the years and honored to serve more than 33,000 students per semester. A record breaking enrollment of 34,641 students was reached in Fall 2015.

If you find that your current lifestyle keeps you from attending classes on campus, South Texas College Online allows you to take courses anytime, anywhere, from the comfort of your home or office, or even at the beach. You can select from more than 500 courses in a wide variety of subjects that may apply to earning one of 24 certificates and associate degrees, in addition to 3 applied bachelor's degrees, all available online. South Texas College Online offers all of the same services as our traditional campuses including advising, career placement, counseling, library services and so much more.

As you browse through the catalog, you will find that South Texas College offers 119 degree and certificate program options for your consideration in a variety of allied health, business, liberal arts, math, nursing, science, social sciences and technology pathways that lead to high-wage, and rewarding careers. Dedicated students can earn certificates in as little as one year or an associate degree in less than two years, gaining skills that lead to direct entry into the job market.

South Texas College is also very proud to be one of three community colleges in the state of Texas accredited to offer Bachelor of Applied Technology degrees. Students can pursue a degree in Technology Management, Computer and Information Technologies, Medical and Health Services Management, and a new Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership.

For those life-long learners who wish to simply refresh their current skills or acquire new skills, enrollment in one of the College’s many continuing and professional education classes is also available. In addition, South Texas College offers workforce training and first-class customized training in response to the needs of businesses and industries in our area.

A wide array of services are offered at the College to ensure your success. These services include advisement, counseling, disability assistance, dual enrollment, financial aid, tutoring in most every subject, as well as student life activities, just to name a few.

South Texas College is the best choice for your higher education and career preparation. More information about the College is within your fingertips at www.southtexascollege.edu. I look forward to seeing you among the thousands of students who walk through our doors every semester.

Best regards,

Shirley A. Reed, M.B.A., Ed.D.
President
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- College Art Association
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- Committee on Accreditation of Educational Program for the Emergency Medical Services Profession
- Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIEI)
- Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC)
- Community College Baccalaureate Association
- Community College Business Officers (CCBO)
- Community College Survey of Student Engagement (CCSSE)
- Competency Based Education Network (CBEN)
- Disaster Recovery Institute
- EDUCUSE
- Electricity Association (E.A.)
- Electric Power Supply Association (E.P.S.A.)
- Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA)
- Haas Technical Education Centers (HTEC)
- Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities
- International Association of Administrative Professionals
- International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators
- Intellectual Property
- Instructional Technology Council
- International Association of Electrical Inspectors (I.A.E.I.)
- International Association of QA-ASEP Schools
- International Conference on Teaching and Leadership Excellence (NISEO)
- International Reading Association (IRA)
- Junior/College Student Personnel Association of Texas
- Legal Secretaries of Texas, Inc.
- National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development
- Pharmacy Technician Educators Council (PTEC)
- South Texas Association of Registrars and Admissions Officers
- STARLINK
- Texas Affordable Baccalaureate (TAB LAB)
- Texas Association for College Admission Counseling
- Texas Association for Healthcare Documentation Integrity (TXAHDI)
- Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education
- Texas Association of College Technical Educators
- Texas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers
- Texas Association of Community College Business Officers (TAICBO)
- Texas Association of Community Colleges
- Texas Association of Community College Trustees and Administrators
- Texas Association of Institutional Research (TAIR)
- Texas Association of Schools of Art
- Texas Association of School Boards
- Texas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators
- Texas Board of Nursing
- Texas Counseling Association
- Texas Community College Instructional Administrators
- Texas Community College Teachers Association
- Texas Comptroller
- Texas Council of Academic Libraries
- Texas Department of State Health Services
- Bureau of Radiation Control
- Texas Department of State Health Services for Emergency Medical Technology
- Texas Department of State Health Services for Health Professions
- Texas Developmental Education State Policy Leadership Team
- Texas Distance Learning Association
- Texas Health Information Management Association (TXHIMA)
- Texas Library Association
- Texas Organization of Associate Degree Nursing
- Texas Society of Medical Assistants
- Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists (TSHP)
- Texas Society for Respiratory Care (TSRC)
- Texas Speech Communication Association
- Texas Student Success Task Force
- Texas Team Coalition of Nursing
- Texas Vocational Nurse Educators
- The Virtual College of Texas

LOCAL
- Association Regional de Maquiladoras de Reynosa, S.A.
- Lower RGV P-16 Council
- McAllen Chamber of Commerce
- Mission Chamber of Commerce
- Rio Grande Valley Collective Impact - Lower Rio Grande Valley
- Rio Grande Valley Council of Teachers of Mathematics
- Rio Grande Valley Health Information Management Association (RGVHIMA)
- Rio Grande Valley Partnership
- Rio Grande Valley Pathways Project
- South Texas Engineering Alliance
- South Texas Manufacturers’ Association
- South Texas Literacy Coalition (STLC)
- South Texas Mathematics Consortium
- Tech Prep of the Rio Grande Valley
- The Upper Valley Art League
- Upper RGV P-16 Council
- Weslaco Area Chamber of Commerce
South Texas College was created on September 1, 1993, by Texas Senate Bill 251 to serve Hidalgo and Starr counties. It was the only community college in Texas to have been established by the Texas Legislature. A confirmation election, held on August 12, 1995, established a taxing district for the college. Seven districts, based on population, were also approved for single-member representation on the Board of Trustees. A community leader from each of the seven districts was originally appointed by Governor Ann Richards to serve on the founding Board of Trustees. Since then, an election process has been established, and all board members are elected for six-year terms.

In December of 2004, South Texas College was awarded membership from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges as a Level II-Baccalaureate Degree granting institution to offer the Bachelor of Applied Technology Degree. Today, the college offers three Bachelor of Applied Technology degrees, one in Computer and Information Technologies, another in Medical and Health Services Management and a third in Technology Management. A Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership is now also offered.

South Texas College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award the Baccalaureate and Associate degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of South Texas College.

South Texas College's offerings are approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. It is also approved for veterans' educational training in Certificate and Associate of Applied Science Degree programs by the Texas Education Agency.

An enrollment of 1,000 students in 1993 has increased to approximately 34,641 in Fall 2015.

### South Texas College Campuses

1. **Pecan Campus**
   - 3201 W. Pecan Blvd.
   - McAllen, TX 78501
   - 956-872-8311

2. **Technology Campus**
   - 3700 W. Military Hwy.
   - McAllen, TX 78503
   - 956-872-6100

3. **Nursing and Allied Health Campus**
   - 1101 E. Vermont
   - McAllen, TX 78503
   - 956-872-3100

4. **Starr County Campus**
   - 142 FM 3167
   - Rio Grande City, TX 78582
   - 956-488-8181

5. **Mid-Valley Campus**
   - 400 N. Border
   - Weslaco, TX 78596
   - 956-447-6600

**South Texas College Online**
- 956-872-2598

[Map of South Texas College locations]

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Clinical Lecturer, University of Texas-Pan American
Retired Superintendent, Superintendent Emeritus, Hidalgo ISD

District 5
Representing Northwest Hidalgo County, Edinburg, North San Juan, and Northeast Pharr

First Elected May 1996; current term through May 2020
Serves as Chair of the Finance and Human Resources Committee and Member of the Education and Workforce Development Committee and the Facilities Committee
Formerly served as Chair of the Education and Workforce Development Committee and as Chair of the Facilities Committee
Formerly served as Vice Chair of the Board

GRACIELA FARIAS - VICE-CHAIR
Self-employed as an Educational Consultant
Retired from McAllen ISD

District 2
Representing La Joya, West Mission, Palmview, Sullivan City, Penitas, and West Alton

First Elected May 2012; current term through May 2018
Serves as Chair of the Education and Workforce Development Committee and Member of the Facilities Committee
Formerly served as Board Secretary

JESSE VILLARREAL - SECRETARY
Parent Specialist, Weslaco ISD

District 6
Representing Donna, South Alamo, South San Juan, Southeast Pharr, South Weslaco, and Progreso

First Elected May 2000, current term through May 2018
Serves as Member of the Facilities Committee
Formerly served as Board Vice Chair and Secretary
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Officers

ROSE BENAVIDEZ - MEMBER
President of Starr County Industrial Foundation
District 1
Representing Starr County
First Elected November 2009; current term through May 2018
Serves as Member of the Finance and Human Resources Committee and the Facilities Committee
Formerly served as Board Chair and Vice Chair

PAUL R. RODRIGUEZ - MEMBER
CEO of Valley Land Title Co.
District 3
Representing South McAllen, Southwest Pharr, Hidalgo, Sharyland, Southeast Mission, and Granjeno
First Appointed August 2012; current term through May 2022
Serves as Member of the Finance and Human Resources Committee and the Facilities Committee

GARY GURWITZ - MEMBER
Managing Partner, Atlas, Hall & Rodriguez, L.L.P., McAllen
District 4
Representing North McAllen, Northwest Pharr, Palmhurst, Southwest Edinburg, East Alton, and Northeast Mission
First Appointed 1993; current term through May 2022
Serves as Chair of the Facilities Committee and Member of the Education and Workforce Development Committee
Formerly served as Member of the Finance and Human Resources Committee
Formerly served as Board Chair and Vice Chair

ROY DE LEÓN - MEMBER
Branch Retail Executive, BBVA Compass, Mercedes
District 7
Representing Northeast Hidalgo County, North Weslaco, Edcouch, Elsa, La Villa, Mercedes, Monte Alto, Northeast Alamo, Northeast Edinburg, and Hargill
First Appointed July 1997; current term through May 2020
Serves as Member of the Finance and Human Resources Committee and the Facilities Committee
Formerly served as Chair of the Finance and Human Resources Committee
Formerly served as Board Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary
ACADEMIC CALENDAR
2016-2017

FALL 2016
(Aug. 29 - Dec. 18, 2016)

August 17
New Faculty Start Date – Benefits & Orientation
Human Resources Dept.

August 18
New Faculty Orientation

August 19
New Faculty Service Area Tour

August 22
Faculty Return – Academic Affairs Convocation / Division Meetings

August 23
Faculty Preparation Day / Departmental Meetings

August 24
Faculty Preparation Day / Departmental Meetings

August 25
Distance Learning Symposium / STC Faculty Teaching Dual Enrollment PD Day

August 26
Faculty Preparation Day / Departmental Meetings

August 27
Adjunct / Dual Enrollment Faculty Professional Development Day

August 29
Classes Begin

September 5
College Closed – Labor Day

September 14
Census Day – Twelfth Class Day

September 23
College Closed - Professional & Organizational Development Day

November 18
Last Day to Withdraw

November 24–27
College Closed – Thanksgiving Holiday

December 12–18
Finals

December 17
Graduation

December 19
Grades Due Date

December 19–January 3
Winter Break (College Closed)

SPRING 2017
(Jan. 17 - May 11, 2017)

January 4
College Opens – Staff Returns

January 9
Faculty Return – Division / Department Meetings

January 10
New Faculty Benefits & Orientation - Human Resources Dept.

January 11-13
Faculty Preparation Day / Departmental Meetings

January 14
Adjunct / Dual Enrollment Faculty Professional Development Day

January 16
College Closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 17
Classes Begin

February 1
Census Day – Twelfth Class Day

February 10
College Closed - Professional & Organizational Development Day

March 13–19
College Closed – Spring Break

April 13–16
College Closed - Semester Break

April 18
Last Day to Withdraw

May 5–11
Finals

May 13–14
Graduation

May 15
Grades Due Date

December 19–January 3
Winter Break (College Closed)
**SUMMER SESSION I**
(June 5 - July 6, 2017)

- **May 29**
  College Closed – Memorial Day

- **May 30–June 4**
  Final registration dates for Summer I, III

- **June 5**
  Classes Begin

- **June 8**
  Census Day – Fourth Class Day

- **June 28**
  Last Day to Withdraw

- **July 4**
  College Closed - Independence Day

- **July 5**
  Classes End

- **July 6**
  Finals

- **July 10**
  Grades Due Date

**SUMMER SESSION II**
(July 11 - Aug. 10, 2017)

- **July 10**
  Final registration dates for Summer II

- **July 11**
  Classes Begin

- **July 14**
  Census Day – Fourth Class Day

- **August 3**
  Last Day to Withdraw

- **August 9**
  Classes End

- **August 10**
  Finals

- **August 12**
  Graduation (Proposed)

- **August 14**
  Grades Due Date

**SUMMER SESSION III**
(June 5 - Aug. 10, 2017)

- **May 30–June 4**
  Final registration dates for Summer I, III

- **May 29**
  College Closed - Memorial Day

- **June 5**
  Classes Begin

- **June 13**
  Census Day – Seventh Class Day

- **July 4**
  College Closed – Independence Day

- **July 10**
  No Classes

- **July 26**
  Last Day to Withdraw

- **August 9**
  Classes End

- **August 10**
  Finals

- **August 12**
  Graduation (Proposed)

- **August 14**
  Grades Due Date
Equal Education and Equal Employment Opportunity

South Texas College is an equal education and equal employment opportunity/affirmative action employer. As an equal opportunity employer, the College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, disability, genetic information, or veteran status. Determination is prohibited and the College will comply with all applicable College policies, and state and federal legislation. This policy extends to individuals seeking employment with and admission to the College.

Rights of Individuals with Disabilities

South Texas College complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and does not discriminate on the basis of a disability in the areas of admission, accessibility, treatment, and employment. Individuals with disabilities, as defined under the law, who are otherwise qualified to meet the institution’s academic and employment requirements will be provided with services and resources accordingly. Students and employees must submit the appropriate documentation of the disability by a qualified professional whose license or credentials are appropriate to diagnose. For students with disabilities, reasonable accommodations are made to allow the individual student to be successful at STC. Accommodations are provided for those students who submit the documentation of the disability by a qualified professional whose license or credentials are appropriate to diagnose the disability. STC supports efforts in making the campus more accessible and encourages individual with disabilities to participate in all activities. Students seeking assistance should contact the Office of Human Resources.

Drugs, Alcohol and Other Substances

In compliance with the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989 (Public Law 101-226) and Texas House Resolution 2253 and Senate Resolution 645 (passed in 1987), South Texas College prohibits the unlawful manufacture, possession, sale, use or distribution of illegal drugs and alcoholic beverages at on and off-campus college-sponsored events. Each of these statutes requires colleges and universities to clearly inform students that no illegal drugs (including unlawful possession of alcohol) will be allowed on campus (inside buildings and on campus property), and those students who are found guilty of such violation(s). May be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion from the college. Students in violation of the Texas Penal Code may also be arrested and prosecuted. Students seeking assistance or educational materials about alcohol, drugs, or other substances should contact the office of Student Support Services.

Smoke/Tobacco Free Environment

South Texas College, including all its facilities and grounds, is a smoke/tobacco free environment except in designated smoking/tobacco use areas and parking lots. Persons violating this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Prohibition of Weapons

Note: Effective August 1, 2017, Texas Senate Bill 11 “Campus Carry” permits license holders to carry concealed handguns on campus, except in restricted areas designated by the college. Texas Penal Code §46.03(a) states, “A person commits an offense if the person intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly possesses or goes with a firearm, illegal knife, club, or prohibited weapon listed in Section 46.05(a): (1) on the physical premises of a school or educational institution, any grounds or building on which an activity sponsored by a school or educational institution is being conducted; or a passenger transportation vehicle of a school or educational institution, whether the school or educational institution is public or private, unless pursuant to written regulations or written authorization of the institution.”

Texas Penal Code §46.03 (f) states, “It is not a defense to prosecution under this section that the actor possessed a handgun and was licensed to carry a concealed handgun under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code.”

Pursuant to Texas Penal Code §46.03(a), South Texas College permits the following two exceptions to the prohibitions of Texas Penal Code §46.03:

- Firesarms which are:
  - in the lawful possession of faculty, staff, and students participating in law enforcement training programs; and
  - being used for educational or training purposes as part of a credit or continuing education law enforcement program or course of study offered by the College; and
  - of the caliber commonly used in the educational or training activity.

- Baton and Tasers that are:
  - in the lawful possession of faculty, staff, and students participating in law enforcement training programs; and
  - being used for educational or training purposes as part of a credit or continuing education law enforcement program or course of study offered by the College.

The Director of Security is hereby authorized and directed to post appropriate notices on all College premises to notify all persons of this policy. The President of South Texas College is authorized to adopt guidelines reasonably necessary for the implementation of this policy.

Sexual Harassment

South Texas College assumes an affirmative posture to prevent and eliminate sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment in any division, department, or any unit by any individual. It is the policy of South Texas College to provide an educational and working environment for its students, faculty, staff, and visitors that is free from sex discrimination and sexual harassment. It is the policy of the College that any practice or behavior that constitutes sexual harassment will not be tolerated. This policy has been developed to reaffirm this principle and to provide recourse for those individuals whose rights have been violated.

Sexual Harassment is unwelcome verbal or physical conduct that is:

- sufficiently severe or pervasive that it, unreasonably interferes with, denies or limits someone’s ability to participate in or benefit from the College’s educational program and/or activities, and is

- based on power differentials (quid pro quo), the creation of a hostile environment, or retaliation.

Sexual harassment in the workplace and schools is an illegal practice under Section 703 of Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, as amended, and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended.

Sexual Misconduct

South Texas College prohibits any form of sexual misconduct. Sexual misconduct includes, but is not limited to, behaviors often described as sexual harassment, sex or gender discrimination, sexual violence, rape, stalking, and relationship violence (including domestic violence and dating violence). It is a violation of policy and the law, including Title IX, to commit these acts or attempt to commit them. Sexual misconduct can occur in any sex or gender configuration regardless of sex and gender identity whether it be an employee or student.

Any employee or student who is found to have engaged in sexual misconduct shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal or expulsion and may be proceeded under State law. This policy shall be applied without regard to the gender of the person involved.

As of July 1, 2011, Federal Title IV regulations require all institutions of higher education to disclose completion and cost information about non-degree programs leading to gainful employment in a recognized occupation. Information about Gainful Employment programs is available at http://academicaffairs.southtexascollege.edu/degreeplans_certificates.html.
Students are admitted to South Texas College through the provisions of this policy. General admission to the College does not imply admission to all programs of the College. The College complies fully with the state mandated Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Rules as specified in Section 51.306 of the Texas Education Code. Students entering South Texas College must comply with state-mandated Texas Success Initiative Rules (TSI) and the South Texas College Developmental Education Plan regarding testing requirements.

The College is committed to student success and to a quality education for all. No person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity sponsored or conducted by South Texas College on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, gender, disability, genetic information, or veterans status.

Any individual meeting any one of the following conditions may be admitted to the College:

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION
Students who are high school graduates, including public, private, and non-traditional high schools are eligible for admission to the College. The College complies fully with Texas Education Code Section 51.9241 for graduates of non-traditional secondary education. Procedures for application, submission of transcripts and test scores may be found in the College Catalog and on the College website.

EXAMINATION
Applicants who did not graduate from high school may be admitted by successfully completing the General Education Development Testing Program (GED). A copy of the GED scores or Certificate of High School Equivalency will be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Records as evidence of completion.

INDIVIDUAL APPROVAL
Students who do not qualify for admission under either of the above conditions are admitted if they are at least 18 years of age and submit placement score test results from the Texas Success Initiative Assessment placement exam. All applicants must submit an official transcript from the last high school attended prior to enrollment.

TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER COLLEGE
A student transferring from another accredited college or university is eligible for admission. Transfer students must comply with the Scholastic Progress Standards as outlined by Board Policy 3320.

The following conditions apply regarding transfer from another college:

1. An official transcript from each institution previously attended must be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Records.

2. All new transfer students who have been accepted will have their college transcripts evaluated on a course-by-course basis and credit will be awarded based upon applicability of transfer hours to the student's degree plan.

3. Credits for courses in which a passing grade of "C" or higher was earned may be transferred from any accredited college. Developmental or other non-degree credit courses are not transferable.

4. Credits completed at colleges outside the United States that are not accredited by one of the regional accrediting associations of the Association of Colleges and Schools can be evaluated by an AACRAO (American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers) approved transcript evaluation service. A list of such services is available at the Office of Admissions and Records.

5. An applicant for admission may seek to enter this institution pursuant to the state's "academic fresh start" statute outline in Texas Education Code Section 51.931.

DUAL ENROLLMENT
Dual enrollment allows high school students to enroll in college courses while attending high school and permits students to take courses in place of, or in addition to, the normal course load at high school. High school students admitted to the College must meet Student Eligibility criteria outlined in Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Rule Title 19, Part I, Chapter 4, Subchapter D, Rule 4.85.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
The college is authorized under federal law to enroll students who are valid F-1 or M-1 visa holders under the Student Exchange and Visitor Information System (SEVIS) and authorized by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). Upon initial admission to the College, international students must comply with all federal regulations in order to obtain a student visa prior to enrollment and must remain in compliance throughout the duration of study. International students may seek general admission to the College or admission to selective programs.
PLACEMENT TESTING

It is the intent of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board that Texas public institutions of higher education use the flexibility and responsibility granted under the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) rules to improve individualized programs to ensure the success of students in higher education. Effective with the Fall 2013 semester, all public colleges and universities shall assess the academic skills of each entering undergraduate student prior to enrollment of the student.

Beginning Fall 2013, the Student Assessment Center administers the New TSI Assessment Exam throughout the year. Information on test dates, registration deadlines, and general information is available upon request and/or can be found on our Market Place website: https://secure.touchnet.com/C20193_ustores/web/

Call 1-800-742-7822 for information or contact the Student Assessment Center at the Pecan Campus: 956-872-3484, Mid-Valley Campus: 956-447-6602, or Starr County Campus: 956-488-6976 for more information or visit the web site at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/testing/index.html.

WHO MUST TAKE THE TSI ASSESSMENT EXAM?

As of the Fall 2013 semester, all students who plan to enroll at South Texas College (STC) and students in high school enrolling in a college-level course MUST take the TSI Assessment Exam before enrolling in any college-level credit coursework.

WHO DOES NOT HAVE TO TAKE THE TSI ASSESSMENT EXAM:

- A student who has previously attended any institution and has been determined to have met readiness standards by that institution.
- Students who have achieved a sufficiently high score on ACT, SAT, TAAS/TAKS, STAAR End of Course Exams (EOC), or approved College Preparatory Courses in Mathematics and ELA. ACT, SAT, TAAS/TAKS, and STARR EOC scores may be no more than five (5) years from the date of testing, completion of STC approved College Preparatory courses must be within two (2) year of high school graduation. See pages 18 – 19.
- Students who are enrolled in a certificate program of one-year or less (42 or fewer semester credit hours or the equivalent) unless required for a prerequisite.
- Students who have graduated with an associate’s or baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education.
- Transfer students from an accredited institution of higher education who have earned a “C” or better in a corresponding course (See Developmental Education Plan Procedures Guide).
- A student who on or after August 1, 1990, was honorably discharged, retired, or released from active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States or the Texas National Guard. A student who is serving on active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States, the Texas National Guard, or as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States and has been serving for at least three years preceding enrollment.
- A student who successfully completes a college preparatory course under Texas Education Code §28.014 is exempt for a period of twenty four (24) months from the date of high school graduation with respect to the content area of the course. The student must enroll in the student's first college level course in the exempted content area in the students first year of enrollment in an institution of higher education. This exemption applies only at the institution of higher education that partners with the school district in which the student is enrolled to provide the course. Additionally, an institution of higher education may enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with a partnering institution of higher education to accept the exemption for the college preparatory course.

WHEN MUST A STUDENT TAKE THE TSI ASSESSMENT EXAM?

All students enrolling in credit programs at STC for the first time in the Fall 2013 and thereafter, must have scores from the New TSI Assessment instrument approved by the Texas Higher Education College Board by the First Class Day.

TSI PRE-ASSESSMENT ACTIVITY REQUIREMENT

THECB Rule 4.55 Assessment and Placement, section (B), requires all institutions offering the TSI assessment to provide students a pre-assessment activity (ies). South Texas College offers an online pre-assessment module that is available for students at http://www.onlineorientation.net/stc-pa. After completing the online module, students can print their Pre-Assessment completion page to show proof of completing their Pre-Assessment Activity.

The Pre-Assessment Activity is required for all students testing for the very first time. Students who have previously tested for TSI are not required to redo the Pre-Assessment Activity, but are highly encouraged to do so. Students who are testing for the very first time are required to submit proof of completion. Failure to do so may require the student to not be admitted or to reschedule until proof of completion.
REGISTRATION FOR THE TSI ASSESSMENT EXAM
To register for the TSI Assessment Exam, a student must fill out an STC Admissions form prior to the test administration. Once an Admissions form has been processed, the student may reserve a test date on-line through Market Place at https://secure.touchnet.com/C20193_ustores/web/ and choose to test for TSI Assessment Exam. The TSI Assessment Exam is offered by appointment only via Market Place.

Please contact the Student Assessment Centers (Pecan: 956-872-3484, Mid-Valley: 956-447-6602, Starr: 956-488-6976) for more information.

TEXAS SUCCESS INITIATIVE TEST CONTENT

TSI Mathematics and Statistics Test
The TSI Mathematics Test is a multiple-choice assessment with four basic content areas, or “strands”. Scores range from 310 to 390. Shown below are brief descriptions of each of the four strands.

Elementary Algebra and Functions
(6 items on the Placement Test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• Linear equations, inequalities, and systems
• Algebraic expressions and equations (other than linear)
• Word problems and applications

Intermediate Algebra and Functions
(9 items on the placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• Quadratic and other polynomial expressions, equations, and functions
• Expressions, equations, and functions involving powers, roots, and radicals
• Rational and exponential expressions, equations, and functions

Geometry and Measurement
(2 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• Plane geometry
• Transformations and symmetry
• Measurement (linear, area, three-dimensional)
• Modeling and applications

Data Analysis, Statistics and Probability
(3 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• Interpreting categorical and quantitative data
• Statistical measures
• Probabilistic reasoning

TSI WRITING TEST
The TSI Writing Test is an assessment that contains a multiple-choice section and an essay section. The multiple-choice section has four strands. Score range from 310 to 390. Shown below are brief descriptions of each of the four strands.

Essay Revision
(8 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• All items in this category will be passage-based items.
• Passages are drafts of essays in need of revision and will be approximately 250 words. Items will ask students to revise parts of the essay to improve coherence, organization, word choice, rhetorical effectiveness, and use of evidence

Agreement
(3 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• All items in this category will be discrete items
• Items will cover topics such as subject-verb agreement, pronoun agreement, and verb tense.

Sentence Structure
(5 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• All items in this category will be discrete items
• Items will cover topics such as fragments, subordination and coordination, and parallelism
• Items will also cover topics such as comma splices and run-on sentences, as well as improper punctuation.

Sentence Logic
(4 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• All items in this category will be discrete items
• Items will test the student’s ability to arrange the parts of sentences in the most logical way, including the use of logical transitions and the correct placement of modifying phrases.

TSI READING TEST
The TSI Reading Test is a multiple-choice assessment with four basic strands. Scores range from 310 to 390. Shown below are brief descriptions of each of the four strands.

Literary analysis
(4 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)
• All items in this category will be passage-based items.
• Passages are fiction or literary nonfiction and will be approximately 400 words in length.
• Items will ask students to identify and analyze ideas in and elements of literary texts.
**Main Idea and Supporting Details**  
(5 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)  
- All items in this category will be discrete items with single informational/expository passages of 75-125 words.  
- Items will ask students to identify the main idea of a passage or comprehend explicit textual information in the passage.

**Inferences in a Text or Texts**  
(8 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)  
- All items in this category will be discrete items with one or, in some cases, two informational/expository passages of 100-150 words.  
- Most items will ask students to make an appropriate inference about a single passage.  
- Some items will require students to synthesize ideas by making a connection or comparison between two passages.

**Author's Use of Language**  
(7 items on placement test; 12 items on diagnostic test)  
- All items in this category will be discrete items with single informational/expository passages of 75-125 words.  
- Some items will ask students to identify an author’s purpose, tone, organization, or rhetorical strategies and use of evidence;  
- Some items will ask students to determine the meaning of words in context.

**WritePlacer**  
Students who score a 350 or higher on the TSI Writing multiple-choice test or who score a Level 4 on the ABE Writing multiple choice test will be asked to write a persuasive essay (approximately 300-500 words) that “demonstrates clear focus, the logical development of ideas in well-organized paragraphs, and the use of appropriate language that advances the authors purpose.” They will be expected to clearly state a main idea and provide specific examples and details to back up the main idea, as well as follow conventions of Standard English. The essay is also untimed, per THECB decision.

**Feedback in provided on the following six dimensions**  
- Purpose and Focus  
  The extent to which the writer presents information in a unified and coherent manner, clearly addressing the issue.  
- Organization and Structure  
  The extent to which the writer orders and connects ideas.  
- Development and Support  
  The extent to which the writer develops and supports ideas.  
- Sentence Variety and Style  
  The extent to which the writer crafts sentences and paragraphs demonstrating control of vocabulary, voice, and structure.  
- Mechanical Conventions  
  The extent to which the writer expresses ideas using standard English.  
- Critical Thinking  
  The extent to which the writer communicates a point of view and demonstrates reasoned relationships among ideas.

**PAYMENT FOR THE TSI ASSESSMENT EXAM**  
The TSI ASSESSMENT Exam fee is $29 for all three sections; or $10 for one section or $20 for two sections plus a $25 Reservation Fee. Registration for this exam is now done on-line through Student Marketplace https://secure.touchnet.com/C20193_ustores/web/  
Please contact the Student Assessment Center (Pecan: 956-872-3484, Mid-Valley: 956-447-6602, Starr: 956-488-6976) for more information.

**MANDATORY PARTICIPATION**  
Students required to take Developmental courses including College Success must attend scheduled classes.  
If they drop or are dropped for non-attendance by their instructors, they are identified by the office of Admissions as non-compliant. The Testing Technician sends these students letters informing them of their non-compliant status. These students must make arrangements with the Student Assessment Center. Students who fail to comply with any of the following policies and procedures may be withdrawn from all of their classes and will not earn any college credit hours for the semester.

**DROPPING OR WITHDRAWING FROM DEVELOPMENTAL COURSE WORK**  
Students under TSI requirements who have been assigned developmental courses due to Initial placement Exam may not drop these courses.

Withdrawal from a developmental course must be associated only with withdrawal from the institution.
# Placement Scale

## Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Exemption Scores

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Exemption is valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of testing.

## College Preparatory Courses in Math and ELA

- **English Language Arts (CP110100)**: Pass course and end-of-course assessment with a Grade of “C” or Higher.
- **Mathematics (CP11200)**: Pass course and end-of-course assessment with a Grade of “C” or Higher.

College Preparatory Course Exemptions are valid for one (1) year from the date of High School graduation.

Exemptions also granted to students who have graduated with an associate or baccalaureate degree or students who transfer to STC from a private or independent college or an accredited out of state college and have satisfactorily completed college-level coursework as determined by STC.

## Academic and Developmental Placement Scores

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1. Graduated from high school with a GPA of 3.0 – 4.0 or
2. Graduated in the top 10% of high school graduating class

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2. Graduated in the top 10% of high school graduating class
3. Developmental ENGL 0100 Instructor recommendation for Holistic Placement in ENGL 1301
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**AR** = Arithmetic, **EA** = Elementary Algebra, and **CLM** = College-Level Math
ENROLLMENT GUIDELINES

Follow the easy steps below to begin taking classes at South Texas College.

APPLICATION AND TRANSCRIPTS
1. Complete an Application for Admission. Apply online at www.applytexas.org or in person at a campus near you.
2. Provide official high school transcript, or proof of GED completion (test scores or certificate) or all college transcripts.

ORIENTATION
1. Complete the mandatory New Student Orientation on campus or online.
2. New Student Orientations are held before each semester. Visit the Welcome Center, or log-on to www.southtexascollege.edu for the orientation schedule.

FINANCIAL AID
Free cash, scholarships, work opportunities and emergency loans are available to eligible students. Complete the financial aid application online at www.fafsa.ed.gov or in person at Student Financial Services. STC’s school code is 031034. Prospective students and parents may visit http://www.southtexascollege.edu/security/disclosure.html to view institutional reports and information regarding FERPA, campus safety and student success.

TESTING
Contact the Assessment Center to determine whether you need to take the state-mandated TSI ASSESSMENT TEST, or if you are eligible for an exemption or waiver. For additional information including available test dates, log-on to http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/testing/index.html.

ADVISING
Advisors will assist you in managing your degree plan, and ensuring that you are aware of campus tools and resources that will assist you in becoming a successful student. Together, you will plan your class schedule.

REGISTRATION
Select courses from the current STC course schedule. The course schedule is available online and at campus Student Information Centers. Register online.

TUITION & FEES
Pay tuition and fees. Enrollment is complete only upon payment of tuition and fees, financial aid award or approved installment plan. Tuition must be paid in full by the due date or you will be dropped from your classes.

BOOKS
Buy your books. You may buy your books at the campus bookstore. The bookstore may have used and rental books, which can save you money.

STUDENT LIFE
Check out Student Life! Get connected and meet people through intramural sports, cultural events, clubs, Student Government, volunteer and leadership opportunities.

AUDITING A CLASS
The option of auditing a class is offered for lecture courses only; auditing is not allowed for laboratory, performing or activity courses. Audit students do not participate in fieldwork, submit assignments or take examinations; therefore, they never receive college credit or a grade after enrolling on an audit basis.

An Application for Admission must be submitted; test scores and transcripts are not required. Registration to audit a lecture course is available on the 7th class day of the fall and spring semesters and the 3rd class day of each summer session with a space availability contingency. Tuition is charged for auditing a class.

TECH PREP/ADVANCED TECHNICAL CREDIT (ATC)
South Texas College is a participating member of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Tech-Prep consortium and member of the state’s Advanced Technical Credit (ATC) program. Tech Prep and ATC are part of a national educational initiative in vocational and technical education. Programs developed cooperatively with the area school districts and through the State enable high school students to enter STC with college credits for technical courses and prepare them to enter the workforce in high demand technical areas.

A high school student who successfully completes a Tech Prep/ATC approved articulated course at their high school is eligible to receive credit at STC when the following criteria are met:
1. Completes the high school course(s) with a grade of 80 (B) or better.
2. Meets all STC admission and program entrance requirements.
3. Enrolls in an Associate of Applied Science Degree or related certificate at STC within 15 months after graduating from high school.
4. Successfully completes a minimum of six (6) credit hours at STC with a grade of 70 (C) or better.

Then, the student should visit the office of High School Programs and Services to ensure proper credit.
DUAL ENROLLMENT

The dual enrollment program allows eligible high school students to enroll in college courses while attending high school. Courses are taken in place of, or in addition to, the normal course load in high school. High school students admitted to the program must meet the same requirements as all other college students.

Students must meet the TSI standards for college readiness, or be TSI exempt in order to enroll in academic courses. College credit will be earned upon successful course completion and may be applied towards an Associates Degree at STC or may transfer to other colleges and universities.

Students must submit an application and an official high school transcript in order to register for the college course(s). Please contact the Dual2Degree Department at 872-8391 or the Early College High School Department at 872-6442 for further details.

STUDENT RECORDS

CHANGE OF NAME

The name of a student used on academic records is based upon the initial Application for Admission completed and submitted by the student. Students may change their name on academic records by completing and submitting a Change of Information form, with supporting legal documentation, to the Office of Admissions and Records. If a student submits a subsequent Application for Admission with a different name, the student must submit a Change of Information form, with supporting legal documentation, in order to change their name on academic records.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Students must provide the College with a correct, current permanent and mailing address on the Application for Admission. Students must complete and submit a Change of Information form to the Office of Admissions and Records whenever their address changes.

CHANGE OF MAJOR

A "major" is a concentration of specialized coursework, which leads to a certificate or degree. Students may declare a major on the Application for Admission and may change their major at any time by completing and submitting a Change of Information form to the Office of Admissions and Records. A list of " Majors and Codes" is included with both of the above-mentioned documents.

CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS

It is the policy of STC to maintain the confidentiality of academic records and be in compliance with all federal and state laws governing the release of academic records.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Texas Open Records Act are federal and state laws, respectively, that provide for the review and disclosure of academic records. In accordance with these laws, STC will not permit access to or the release of personally identifiable information contained in academic records to any party without the written consent and photo identification of the student, except:

- to appropriate STC officials, who require access to academic records in order to perform their legitimate duties, which means the information or records requested is relevant and necessary to accomplish a task or make a determination, and the task or determination is an employment-related responsibility of the inquirer or is a properly assigned duty for the inquirer.
- to officials of other schools in which the student seeks or intends to enroll, upon request of these officials, and upon the condition that the student be notified and receive a copy of the record, if desired.
- to federal, state or local officials or agencies authorized by law.
- in connection with a student’s application for or receipt of financial aid.
- to accrediting agencies or organizations conducting educational studies, provided that these entities do not release personally identifiable data.
- to the parents of a dependent student, as defined in section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, provided a reasonable effort is made to notify the student in advance.

NOTE:

As permitted under section 99.34 (a)(1)(ii) of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended, and upon request of The University of Texas-Pan American (UTPA), STC will forward academic records for students who seek or intend to enroll at UTPA.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

STC may release information that includes:

- Name, address and telephone number
- Date of birth and place of birth
- Educational institution(s) attended
- Dates of attendance and enrollment verification
- Classification
- Declared major
- Degrees and awards received
- Date of graduation
- Participation in officially recognized sports and activities

Students may withhold information by completing and submitting a Request to Withhold Directory Information to the Office of Admissions and Records during the first 12 days of a fall or spring
It is the student's responsibility to provide a copy of one of the documents listed as 1-7 below, and any other supporting documents required. These documents will be used to establish that the student is domiciled in Texas and has maintained a residence in Texas continuously for at least 12 months prior to the census date of the semester in which the student is enrolling. These documents must be in the name of the student or dependent student's parent(s) and dated to encompass at least 12 months prior to the census date of the semester in which the student is enrolling.

(1) **GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT**
   a) An employer's statement of dates of employment in Texas (beginning and current or ending dates) that encompass at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the census date of the term in which the person enrolls (employment letter must be written in letter head paper and it must be dated) And
   b) W-2 Form.

Student employment, such as work-study, fellowship, research or teaching assistant positions do not qualify as basis for establishing domicile.

(2) **LEASE OR RENTAL AGREEMENT/CONTRACT**
   of real property, other than campus housing, which encompasses at least 12 months prior to the census date. If this document is provided as the sole basis of a domicile, it must be accompanied by at least three documents that support the maintenance of this residence for at least 12 months prior to the census date, as follows:

   **Supporting Documents:**
   - Texas high school transcript
   - Texas college or university transcript
   - Permanent Texas Driver License (at least one-year-old)

Generally, the license expiration date minus the date of enrollment should not exceed three years.
   - Texas Voter Registration Card
   - Texas vehicle registration
   - Bank statements or cancelled checks
   - Utility bill (electric, telephone, water or cable for the year preceding enrollment)
   - Federal income tax return for the previous year

(3) **OWNERSHIP OF RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY**
   Title to residential real property in Texas, tax statement and receipt (tax statement must be re-submitted annually) to verify 12 consecutive months of ownership immediately preceding the census date of the term in which the person enrolls; which must be
   a) accomplished and maintained for at least 12 months prior to the census date and
   b) accompanied by at least one of the supporting documents listed above.
(4) OWNERSHIP OF A BUSINESS ENTITY
   a) Documents that evidence the organization in Texas is a partnership or corporation and reflect the ownership interest of the person or dependent's parent; and accompanied by at least one of the supporting documents listed above.

(5) STATE OR LOCAL LICENSE
   a) State or local license to conduct in business or practice a profession in Texas for the 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the census date; and accompanied by at least one of the supporting documents listed above.

(6) HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BENEFITS
   Written statements from the office of one or more social service agencies, attesting to the provision of services for at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the census date AND accompanied by at least one of the supporting documents listed above

(7) ASSIGNED TO DUTY IN TEXAS
   Nonresident members of the U.S. Armed Forces, members of Texas units of the Army or Air National Guard, Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard Reserves and Commissioned Officers of the Public health Service who are assigned to duty in Texas, and their spouses, or dependent children, shall pay resident tuition. To qualify, the person shall submit during his/her first semester of enrollment in which he/she will be using the waiver program, a statement from an appropriately authorized officer in the service, certifying that he/she will be assigned to duty in Texas on the census date of the term he/she plans to enroll and that he/she, if a member of the National Guard or Reserves, is not in Texas only to attend training with Texas units. Such persons shall pay resident tuition so long as they reside continuously in Texas or remain continuously enrolled in the same degree or certificate program. For purposes of this subsection, a person is not required to enroll in a summer semester to remain continuously enrolled.

Dependent Student's Parent Who Has Established And Maintained Domicile In Texas
   a) Federal income tax return
   b) Documentation from options 1 thru 6 above, to support that the parent(s) has established and maintained domicile for the 12 consecutive months preceding the census date of the term in which the person is enrolls.

Marriage To A Person Who Has Established And Maintained Domicile In Texas
   a) Marriage certificate or federal income tax return
   b) Documentation from options 1 thru 6 above, to support that the parent(s) has established and maintained domicile for the 12 consecutive months preceding the census date of the term in which the person is enrolls.

Aliens Eligible to Domicile or be Treated as Permanent Residents in the United States
Texas Education Code 54.07 “Aliens. An Alien, who is living in this country under a visa permitting permanent residence or has applied to or has a petition pending with the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Services to attain lawful status under federal immigration law, has the same privilege of qualifying for resident status for fee purposes under this Act as a citizen of the United States...” Students should contact the Office of Admissions and Records to determine if they have a visa that allows them to domicile.

Aliens Who are Residents of Texas Based on their High School Graduation or Receipt of a GED Certification
Texas Education Code 54.052(j) provides: “Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, an individual who has graduated from a public high school or received the GED in Texas;
(2) resided in Texas for at least three years as of the date the student graduated from high school or received the GED in Texas;
(3) resided in Texas for 12 months prior to the census date of the semester in which the student plans to enroll;
(4) provides to the institution an Affidavit, stating that the student will file an application to become a permanent resident at the earliest opportunity the student is eligible to do so.”

All documentation must include the student’s name and address.

In-District
Persons and their dependents, who do not live in the STC district, but who own property that is subject to ad valorem taxation by the STC taxing district, are also classified as “in-district” students. Proof of ownership of such property is a current certificate of payment provided by the Tax-Assessor Collector of either Starr or Hidalgo counties, which must be submitted with the Application for Admission, re-submitted annually and retained by the College. Dependents of property owners must submit a copy of the income tax return for the previous year, naming the student as a dependent.

If there are any questions about residency classification, it is the student’s obligation, prior to or at the time of enrollment, to raise the questions with the proper College official for a determination. Students classified as “in-district” or “out-of-district” must provide proof of that classification as part of the admissions process, as explained above. If a student’s residency classification changes for any reason, it is the responsibility of the student to notify the proper College official, and failure to do so constitutes a violation. Out-of-state students classified as “non-residents” have not met the state requirements for establishing residency prior to the census date of the semester in which they are enrolling.
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Note: In-District includes Hidalgo and Starr County residents. • Out-of-District includes all other Texas Residents. Non-Resident includes all other United States and International Students. Tuition and fees are per semester and are subject to change upon approval by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and/or the Board of Trustees of South Texas College.

* See fee schedule for additional applicable fees on next page.

FEES 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR

MANDATORY FEES:

Registration Fee:
- If registered and paid or registered and financial aid processed
  BEFORE August 1st, January 1st, May 15th, and June 15th: ................................................................. 100.00
- Registration Fee After Deadline:
  ON or AFTER August 1st, January 1st, May 15th, and June 15th: ............................................................... 160.00
  Learning Support Fee per credit hour.......................................................... 24.00
  Student Activity Fee per credit hour.......................................................... 2.00

COURSE FEES:

Course Repeat Fee per Credit Hour:
- Third or More Repeat (Includes Developmental).............................................. 125.00
- Developmental Studies Fee (One-Time Fee).................................................. 50.00
- Electronic Distance Learning/VCT Course Fee per Credit Hour....................... 15.00
- Fire Academy Fees:
  Gear Rental ......................................................................................... 280.00 / 4 Weeks
  Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus.......................................................... 360.00 / Semester
  Testing ................................................................................................... 85.00
  Hybrid Course Fee per Credit Hour............................................................ 5.00
  Lab Fee per Lab Credit Hour (for applicable courses with labs)...................... 24.00
  NAH and Other Course Fees:
  Liability Insurance/Exams/Booklets/Badges/Special Program ID/Certificates/
  Pinning Ceremony/Other Activities............................................................. Recovery of Costs and Processing Fees
  Physical Education Special Activity Fee per Course..................................... 55.00

DIFFERENTIAL TUITION PER CREDIT HOUR FOR:

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Chemistry .......................................................... 15.00
Emergency/Medical Technology (EMT) ........................................ 35.00
Occupational Therapy Assistant ....................................................... 40.00
Patient Care Assistant ................................................................. 20.00
Pharmacy Tech ........................................................................... 40.00
Physical Therapist Assistant .......................................................... 40.00
Physics ....................................................................................... 10.00
Radiologic Technology/Sonography ................................................ 40.00
Respiratory Therapy ....................................................................... 40.00
Vocational Nursing ......................................................................... 50.00

**BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP TUITION:**
Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership Competency-Based Format for Seven Week Term... 750.00

**DUAL ENROLLMENT TUITION AND FEES:**
Non “S” Courses (per Credit Hour): In-District Tuition ........................................... 50.00
Non “S” Courses (per Credit Hour): Out-of-District Tuition .......................................... 79.00
Fees Applicable to Non “S” Course: Waved
Dual Credit Late Processing Fee per course per student ............................................. 200.00

**WORKFORCE/CONTINUING EDUCATION TUITION AND FEES:**
Workforce/Continuing Education Tuition per Contact Hour
or Variable Tuition ........................................................................ 6.00 or Variable Tuition
Continuing Education Late Registration Fee ......................................................... 10.00
Continuing Education Installment Plan Fee ......................................................... 5.00
Continuing Education Installment Plan Late Payment Fee ........................................ 10.00
Workforce/Continuing Education, Conferences/Seminars/Summer Camps/Workshops Customized Training/
Other Training Activities & Events: ........................................................................... Recovery of Costs and Processing Fees to be Negotiated

**INCIDENTAL FEES:**
Audit Fee ..................................................................................................... Tuition and Lab Fees
Add/Drop Fee (One Time Fee) ........................................................................... 25.00
Reinstatement Fee (After Census Date) ................................................................. 200.00
Returned Check ............................................................................................... 30.00
Student ID Replacement Fee ............................................................................. 15.00
Student Insurance Fee (Voluntary) ..................................................................... Obtain Information from the Cashier’s Office
Refund Fee (One Time Fee After Census) ............................................................. 50.00

**INSTALLMENT PLAN/EMERGENCY LOAN FEES:**
Installment Plan Fee ....................................................................................... 35.00
Installment Plan Late Payment Fee ....................................................................... 35.00
Emergency Loan Late Payment Fee ..................................................................... 35.00

**LIBRARY FEES:**
Lost or Damaged Library Item .............................................................................. Cost of Item plus Processing Fee
Lost or Damaged Library Item Processing Fee ......................................................... 30.00
Overdue Library Book/Media Fee, per Day .............................................................. 0.25
Overdue Library Reserve Item, per hour .................................................................... 1.00
Overdue Library Equipment, per Day ...................................................................... 1.00
Overdue Inter-Library Loan or TexShare Item, per Day ............................................ Fine Assessed by Lending Library
Lost or Damaged Inter-Library Loan or TexShare Item, per Day ................................ Fine Assessed by Lending Library

**PARKING/MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATION FEES:**
Parking Permit Fee per Year ............................................................................... 25.00
Parking Permit Replacement Fee ............................................................................ 25.00
Parking Permit Violations:
• First ........... 30.00 • Second.............. 50.00 • Third ........... 80.00 • Fourth .... 100.00 • Fifth ..........120.00
Handicap Parking Violations .................................................................................. 150.00
Moving Traffic Violations:
• First ........... 30.00 • Second.............. 50.00 • Third ........... 90.00
Vehicle Boot Removal Fee .................................................................................... 100.00

**TESTING FEES:**
Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) Exam Fee ......................... 50.00
Credit by Examination ......................................................................................... Tuition
GED Exam Fee & GED Retest-Exam Fees (All Five Exams-Packet Rate, or single exam):
Students will register and pay fees to Pearson VUE for online testing services and subject to change.
Proctoring/Professional Testing Services Fee ......................................................... Recovery of costs and processing fees to be negotiated
Sign Language Certification Exam Fee .................................................................... 95.00
TSI Assessment Reservation Fee ........................................................................... 25.00
TSI Assessment Exam Fee All Three Exams ............................................................ 29.00
TSI Assessment Exam Fee (Single Exam: Reading/Writing/Math) ............................ 10.00
TSI Assessment Exam Retesting Fee - All Three Exams ......................................... 29.00
TSI Assessment Retesting-Exam Fee (Single Exam: Reading/Writing/Math) .............. 10.00

**CHILD DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER FEES:**
Tuition Fee Per Week ......................................................................................... 120.00
Registration Fee:
Fall and Spring Semesters ................................................................................... 40.00
Summer Session ................................................................................................. 20.00
Late Pick-up Fee ................................................................................................. 5.00 / First Five Minutes and 1.00 / Each Additional Minute
Supply Fee:
Fall and Spring Semesters ................................................................................... 30.00
Summer Session ................................................................................................. 10.00
Reservation Fee:
Fall and Spring Semester Breaks ......................................................................... 65.00
Summer ................................................................................................................ 20.00
FINANCIAL INFORMATION

SPECIAL COURSES
The College reserves the right to set appropriate fees and tuition for any special courses which may be offered after publication of this catalog.

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS/
ADMITTANCE TO CLASS
- A student who is indebted to South Texas College will not be allowed to register until he/she has cleared all financial obligations due to the College and cleared all Business office and other applicable holds;
- Failure to pay a debt owed to the College may result in dismissal from attending classes after a specific announced date, ineligibility to take final examinations, or to register until such debts are paid.
- No transcripts, grades, or information about the student will be released until such debts are paid.
- Any unpaid and outstanding balance(s) may be forwarded within 90 days after the semester has ended to a contracted Third Party (Collection Agency) to reflect the student's credit worthiness. (The student will be responsible for the fees of any collection agency, which may be based on a percentage at a maximum of 30% of the debt, and all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, late fees, interest and/or court costs, incurred with the collection of any monies due to the College).
- Bankruptcy: College tuition, fees and other charges are a debt Incurred for educational purposes and are considered a Qualified Educational Loan as defined in section 221 (D) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore this debt is not dischargeable pursuant to United States Bankruptcy Section 523(a)(8) and may not be dischargeable in bankruptcy. In addition, student may still owe the debt to the college after the bankruptcy.

REGISTRATION
A time period will be set aside each term or semester to permit students to register. Total tuition and fees will be paid at this time. Installment payment plans and an emergency loan program are available during the open enrollment period.

PAYMENTS
- During registration, students are responsible for paying the total cost for tuition and fees on the day of registration by means of cash, personal check, credit card (Visa, Discover, and Master Card), money orders or a cashier's check. Students may mail-in their payment.
- Failure to pay the required amount for tuition and fees may cause your classes to be automatically dropped; however, be aware that you will still be liable for certain fees. This also applies to student accounts that have a remaining outstanding balance and are under financial aid or are being sponsored by a third party, i.e., Texas Rehabilitation Commission, employer or any other source.
- Failure to make payment may result in the account being sent to a contracted Third Party (Collection Agency) to file an adverse report with credit bureaus. Student will be responsible for the fees of any collection agency, which may be based on a percentage at a maximum of 30% of the debt, and all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, late fees, interest and/or court costs, incurred with the collection of any monies due to the College. Fees will be assessed regardless of payment method.
- Financial Aid credits may be applied to any prior term balances. It is the student's responsibility to follow up on any unpaid balances; and have to be paid by the student directly.
- Failure to pay a debt owed to the College may result in dismissal from attending classes after a specific announced date, ineligibility to take final examinations, or to register until such debts are paid.
- Transcripts, grades, or information about the student will not be released until such debts are paid.

INSUFFICIENT FUNDS,
STOP PAYMENT AND OTHER
RETURNED CHECKS
- Immediate restitution of funds must be made when a check is returned by a bank. Students who have established an insufficient check status on their student account will be required to pay by means of cash, cashier's check, money order or credit card. Checks will not be accepted.
- To clear a returned check, the student must contact the Cashier's office to pay for the check. A $30 fee will be charged on all returned check items.
- If the check is not paid by the end of the semester, the account becomes delinquent and consequently will be released to one of the external collection agencies or to the District Attorney. Any fees assessed by the collection agency, which may be based on a percentage at a maximum of 30% of the debt, and all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, late fees, interest and/or court costs incurred will be the student's responsibility.
- Checks returned by the bank due to accounts closed or stop payments are not re-deposited.
- Stopping payment on tuition checks will be considered as an NSF item. Stop payments do not constitute an official withdrawal from the College. An official withdrawal must be processed at the office of Admissions and Records.
- A student who is indebted to South Texas College will not be allowed to register, request official transcripts, receive grades, or receive any other information.
SCHEDULE CHANGES
(Adding and Dropping Courses)
- If you add a class after your initial payment, it is your responsibility to pay the additional tuition and fees immediately. Failure to do so may result in a drop for non-payment and fees may apply.
- Students must not assume that they will automatically be dropped or withdrawn from their classes if they do not attend.
- Stopping payment on a tuition check does not constitute an official withdrawal from classes. An official withdrawal occurs when a Schedule Change Form is submitted to and processed at the Office of Admissions and Records.
- Dropping and adding a course of equal value is considered an even exchange when done on the same day before the twelfth class day during the Fall and Spring semesters, and fourth class day during the Summer sessions. The student is responsible for the drop/add fee.
- South Texas College will refund a percentage of collected tuition and mandatory fees to students who officially withdraw from their classes, according to the refund schedule established by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
- Students who officially withdraw from all classes at South Texas College will be assessed a one-time withdrawal fee.

PAYMENT OPTIONS
Fall/Spring semesters - Available during the processing period: up until the twelfth day of semester ONLY!!
Summer semesters - Available during the processing period: up until the fourth day of the semester ONLY!!

INSTALLMENT PLANS
- Online log on to http://jagnet4x.southtexascollege.edu or visit Cashier Offices
- To qualify the student must:
  ▶ Be enrolled at South Texas College for the semester
  ▶ Complete the installment plan agreement available on-line or at the Cashiers' Office
  ▶ Must be current on any prior term payment arrangements
  ▶ Be 18 years old.
- Eligible students may select a payment plan
  ▶ Payment of tuition and registration fee by Installment is available each semester during the open enrollment period. Visit the Cashier's website at www.southtexascollege.edu. Click: Cashiers under Services Menu.
  ▶ Eligible students may select a payment plan during the open enrollment period. For payment plan details visit us online at: www.southtexascollege.edu/under Services Menu, Click Cashiers.
- Incidental fees associated with the installment payment plan are as follows:
  ▶ $30.00 processing fee due at time of enrollment
  ▶ $30.00 late payment fee assessed if total balance outstanding is not paid by "each" scheduled due date.
- Students who fail to make full payment of tuition and fees, including any incidental fees, by the due date may be prohibited from registering for classes until full payment is made.
- Installment Due dates as per Installment Agreement and Cashiers' website.

EMERGENCY LOAN PROGRAM
(subject to availability)
- Is a short-term loan to pay for tuition and fees, and textbooks therefore, it must be repaid.
- Student may apply for an emergency loan during the processing period until funds are exhausted.
- Processing period:
  ▶ Visit the Cashier's website for availability: http://southtexascollege.edu.
- To qualify the student must:
  ▶ Be enrolled for a minimum of three credit hours
  ▶ Must be current on any prior term payment arrangements and not be in default with any student loans
  ▶ Be 18 years old
- Eligible students:
  ▶ The Textbook Loan applications are available at the Cashier Office and the Tuition & Fees Loan application is available on-line.
  ▶ On-line Tuition & Fee Emergency Loan:
    ▶ Initial payment of required percentage to be paid by student
    ▶ Emergency Loan will cover the remaining balance
  ▶ Textbook Emergency Loan:
    ▶ No Initial payment is required
    ▶ Textbook loan will be disbursed on the next scheduled refund date
- Due dates as per the Emergency Loan Application and Promissory Note and Cashiers website.
- Please note that the student is responsible for 100% of tuition and fees if Emergency Loan funds are not available.

THIRD PARTY CONTRACTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS
Third Party contracts constitute written agreements between a third party (i.e., Texas Rehabilitation Commission, WIA) and South Texas College; wherein, payment for tuition and fees for a student is to be paid to South Texas College by a third party. The student must provide the written agreement prior to or during registration and present such agreement or document as a third party voucher, deferment form, or contract to the Financial Aid office.
If the donor issues a scholarship check made payable to the student or South Texas College and the student is initially presented a scholarship award letter to South Texas College, it is the student's responsibility to present the check to South Texas College.

**CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT FEES**

*Students enrolled at two Texas public institutions of higher education.*

The total amount of tuition charged at South Texas College may be determined differently if the student registers at more than one Texas public institution of higher education at the same time. Incidental fees are billed by each institution at its regularly authorized rates. The student in this situation is liable for full tuition payment at registration. Proof of dual enrollment in the form of a receipt is required at the office of Admissions and Records on a semester basis.

During the Fall and Spring semesters, proof must be submitted before the twelfth "class day". During the summer sessions, proof must be submitted before the fourth "class day" for evaluation and necessary adjustments. "Class day" refers to South Texas College’s scheduled class day, not the students’ class meeting days.

Appropriate refunds will be determined by payment method and will be issued either by mail to the student's address on file at the office of Admissions and Records, or by credit card.

**REFUNDS**

The "effective date" of a class drop or add is the date the course schedule form is received at the office of Admissions and Records from the student. The refund policy also applies to drop due to advisement from faculty.

"Class days" refers to South Texas College's scheduled class days, not the students' class meeting days.

**REFUND GUIDELINES**

- The College may apply existing credits to the student's delinquent outstanding debt.
- All students who are eligible for a cash refund will receive the refund via mail.
- Refunds made in accordance with NACHA (National Agency Clearing House Association) and the Merchant Services Agreement (merchant shall make no cash refunds to purchasers on Card sales):
  - If classes are paid with a credit card, a refund is to be first applied to the original credit card payment.
  - Any Financial Aid posted after the account has been paid by a credit card is refunded back to the credit card before any money is refunded to the student.
  - There will be NO exceptions to this procedure.

As prescribed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the South Texas College refund policy is as follows:

**TUITION**

(Excludes Mini-mesters)

Refund percentage may be greater than stated below.

**FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS**

- Prior to or on the second class day... 100 percent
- During the next 13th class days .......... 70 percent
- During the 16th through 20th class days ................. 25 percent
- After the 20th class day........................... None

**SUMMER I AND II SESSIONS**

- Prior to or on the first class day........... 100 percent
- During the next four class days .......... 70 percent
- During the sixth class day ................. 25 percent
- After the sixth class day......................... None

**SUMMER III SESSION**

- Prior to or on the first class day........... 100 percent
- During the next eight class days......... 70 percent
- During the 10th through 12th class days ......... 25 percent
- After the 12th class day........................ None

Range of days in each percent category is subject to change based on the length of the semester and in accordance with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

**INCIDENTAL FEES**

(Excludes Mini-mesters)

**OTHER FEES**

Audit Fee, Credit by Exam Fee, Reinstatement Fee, Installment (Processing and Late) Fee, Emergency Loan Late Fee, and any other fee approved by the Board of Trustees of South Texas College.

- Prior to the first class day .......... 100 percent
- First class day and after...................... None

Tuition and fees are per semester and are subject to change upon approval by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and/or the Board of Trustees of South Texas College.

**DROP OR WITHDRAWAL FROM SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE**

To officially withdraw or drop from the college, a student must go to the office of Admissions and Records.

South Texas College will refund a percentage of collected tuition and mandatory fees to students who officially withdraw or drop from the institution according to the refund schedule established by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Dropping and adding a course of equal value is considered an even exchange when done prior to the twelfth class day during the Fall and
To comply with HB 1096 (81st Legislature of Texas) South Texas College advises that a student of this institution is under no obligation to purchase a textbook from a college-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.
### Scholarships, Fellowships, and Tuition Reductions

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**REFERENCE:** http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p970.pdf   * Any nontaxable distribution is limited to the amount that does not exceed qualified education expenses. Table from Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service, Publication 970, TAX Benefits for Education. http://www.irs.gov/uac/Publication-970,-T ax-Benefits-for-Education-1
TRANSFER OF CREDIT TO SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE
Transfer from Another College
A student transferring from another accredited college or university is eligible for admission. Transfer students must comply with the Scholastic Progress Standards as outlined by Board Policy 3320.

The following conditions apply regarding transfer from another college:
1. An official transcript from each institution previously attended must be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Records.
2. All new transfer students who have been accepted will have their college transcripts evaluated on a course-by-course basis and credit will be awarded based upon applicability of transfer hours to the student’s degree plan.
3. Credits for courses in which a passing grade of “C” or higher was earned may be transferred from any accredited college. Developmental or other non-degree credit courses are not transferable.
4. Credits completed at colleges outside the United States that are not accredited by one of the regional accrediting associations of the Association of Colleges and Schools can be evaluated by an AACRAO (American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers) approved transcript evaluation service. A list of such services is available at the Office of Admissions and Records.
5. An applicant for admission may seek to enter this institution pursuant to the state’s “academic fresh start” statute outlined in Texas Education Code Section 23.

TRANSFER OF CREDIT FROM SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE
Lower-division courses included in the LOWER-DIVISION ACADEMIC COURSE GUIDE MANUAL and specified in the definition of “Lower-Division Course Credit” shall be freely transferable to and accepted as comparable degree credit by any Texas public institution of higher education where the equivalent course is available for fulfilling baccalaureate degree requirements. It is understood that each Texas institution of higher education may have limitations that invalidate courses after a specific length of time.

For Texas community colleges, these freely transferable courses are identified in the latest revised edition of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Publication LOWER-DIVISION ACADEMIC COURSE GUIDE MANUAL (revised Spring 2016). Specifically excluded are courses designated as vocational, ESL, ESOL, technical, developmental or remedial, and courses listed as “basic skills.”

For senior four-year institutions, lower division courses that have the same course content and identified in the Texas Common Course Numbering System (TCCNS) database as approved by the Coordinating Board shall bear equivalent credit. Specifically excluded are courses designated as ESL, ESOL, technical, and developmental/remedial courses.

For information regarding transferability of courses to institutions outside of Texas, students should check with the institution receiving the credit.

TRANSCRIPTS FROM OTHER INSTITUTIONS
South Texas College does not issue copies of transcripts (high school or university) or other documents received from other institutions.

Notice: As permitted under section 99.34 (a)(1)(ii) of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended, and upon the request of the student or the sending institution, South Texas College will forward educational records to UT Rio Grande Valley for students who seek or intend to enroll there.

TRANSFER DISPUTES
As outlined in Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Rule Title 19, Part I, Chapter 4, Subchapter B, Rule 4.27, the following procedures shall be followed by institutions of higher education in the resolution of credit transfer disputes involving lower-division courses:

If an institution of higher education does not accept course credit earned by a student at another institution of higher education, the receiving institution shall give written notice to the student and to the sending institution of their decision. If an institution of higher education does not accept course credit earned by a student at another institution of higher education, the receiving institution shall give written notice to the student and to the sending institution of their decision. If the transfer dispute is not resolved to the satisfaction of the student or the sending institution, the two institutions and the student shall attempt to resolve the transfer of the course credit in accordance with Board rules and guidelines.

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If the transfer dispute is not resolved to the satisfaction of the student or the sending institution within 45 days after the date the student received written notice of denial, the sending institution may notify the Commissioner in writing of the request for transfer dispute resolution, and the institution that denies the course credit for transfer shall notify the Commissioner in writing of its denial and the reasons for the denial.
The Commissioner or the Commissioner’s designee shall make the final determination about a dispute concerning the transfer of course credit and give written notice of the determination to the involved student and institutions.

**COLLEGE SUCCESS (EDCS 0101, PSYC 1300, EDUC 1300)**

College Success covers strategies for learning and success and examine factors that underlie learning, success, and personal development in higher education. Topics covered include information processing, memory, strategic learning, self-regulation, goal setting, motivation, educational and career planning, and learning lifestyles. Techniques of study such as time management, listening and note taking, text marking, library and research skills, preparing for examinations, and utilizing learning resources are covered. This course develops students’ academic skills that apply to all disciplines.

The following students are required to take a College Success Course (EDCS 0101, PSYC 1300, EDUC 1300) during their first semester until they pass the College Success course with a “C” or better.

- Students who are enrolled in an Associate degree and have not met the college-level Placement Standard in reading, writing, or mathematics (See Table on page 19-20)
- Students, including transfer students, who have not taken a college success class and whose cumulative grade point average is below 2.0, or who are on academic probation.

**CHANGE OF SCHEDULE**

Students must use a Schedule Change form for all schedule changes once classes have begun. If the request originates with the student, the change must be completed within the time specified in the college calendar. A one-time fee of $25 will be charged. The College reserves the right to make changes in a student’s schedule; when this occurs, no fee is charged.

Within the parameters of the calendar in effect, student may drop a course. A grade of “W” (Withdrawn) may be received. Refer to the academic calendar for information concerning withdrawal dates.

All changes in schedule, including adding and dropping courses, must be arranged by the student in writing. Changes are not official until all steps in the process have been completed. Records of withdrawal and re-enrollment will be maintained.

**WITHDRAWAL FROM SEMESTER CREDIT COURSES**

**Initiation of Withdrawal**

Withdrawal from a course results in a grade of “W” and may be affected through action taken by the affected student, the course instructor, the instructor’s immediate supervisor, or the appropriate administrator.

A student who decides to withdraw from a specific course(s) should initiate withdrawal procedures by securing a Schedule Change form from the Office of Admissions and Records or any Student Information Center. The form must be turned in to the Office of Admissions and Records prior to the published deadline for withdrawals. Students who are failing a course and have not withdrawn as of the established deadline will receive an “F”. A student who is not progressing satisfactorily toward completion of course objectives due to non-attendance may be withdrawn from the course by the instructor prior to the published deadline for withdrawals.

It is the student’s responsibility to initiate the withdrawal process. The College is not responsible for any liabilities incurred as a result of the student’s failure to officially withdraw from the College. Students whose circumstances require them to discontinue attending a course should promptly take steps through the Office of Admissions and Records to officially withdraw from it. Failure to withdraw properly will result in a grade of “F” in the course. Instructors are authorized, but not required, to withdraw students that in their opinion are not able to successfully complete a course. A student may appeal an instructor-initiated withdrawal.

Course withdrawals may occur at any time after the official reporting date of a semester and up to the established deadline for withdrawals in each semester. The established deadline will be approximately three weeks prior to the end of each semester. The specific deadline will be published in a timely manner in the appropriate College publications.

**ACADEMIC SKILLS TEST**

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Rule Title 19, Part I, Chapter 4, Subchapter C, Rule 4.55, requires that all Institutions assess the academic skills of each entering, non-exempt undergraduate student prior to enrollment of the student. All full-time or part-time non-exempt students MUST take the TSI ASSESSMENT EXAM before enrolling in any college-level credit coursework. For more information about placement testing and the TSI ASSESSMENT EXAM, refer to the TSI section located in the Admissions Guidelines chapter of this catalog.

Students not meeting Placement Standards to enroll in freshman-level coursework and not qualifying for an exemption are required to enroll in and attend developmental course(s) work until they meet the Placement Standards for those skills.

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Students who fail to comply with policies and procedures may be withdrawn from all of their classes except College Success and may not earn any college credit hours for the semester. Students who withdraw, are withdrawn from, or do not enroll in their required developmental classes are entitled to a one semester-long waiver which will allow them not to be withdrawn from all their academic classes, but they must enroll in the appropriate developmental class(es) the following semester or sooner.

### ACADEMIC TRANSFERABLE COURSES

The following STC academic courses are transferable in accordance to the Texas Common Course Numbering System. Four-year institutions determine which courses will be required for degrees at their institution.

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- ECON 2302 Principles Of Economics II-Micro

**Education**
- EDUC 1300 Learning Framework
- EDUC 1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession
- EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations

**Engineering**
- ENGR 1201 Introduction To Engineering
- ENGR 1304 Engineering Graphics
- ENGR 2301 Statics
- ENGR 2302 Dynamics
- ENGR 2303 Statics and Dynamics
- ENGR 2405 Electrical Circuits I
- ENGR 2406 Digital Systems Engineering I

**English**
- ENGL 1301 Composition I
- ENGL 1302 Composition II – Rhetoric
- ENGL 2307 Creative Writing I
- ENGL 2308 Creative Writing II
- ENGL 2311 Technical Writing
- ENGL 2321 British Literature
- ENGL 2326 American Literature
- ENGL 2331 World Literature
- ENGL 2341 Introduction to Forms of Literature
- ENGL 2342 Studies in Themes and Genres
- ENGL 2351 Mexican American Literature
- ENGL 2389 Academic Cooperative

**Geography**
- GEOG 1301 Principles of Physical Geography

**Geology**
- GEOL 1403 Physical Geology
- GEOL 1404 Historical Geology
- GEOL 1445 Oceanography
- GEOL 1447 Meteorology

**History**
- HIST 1301 United States History I
- HIST 1302 United States History II
- HIST 2301 Texas History
- HIST 2311 Western Civilization I
- HIST 2312 Western Civilization II
- HIST 2321 World Civilizations I
- HIST 2322 World Civilizations II
- HIST 2327 Mexican American History I
- HIST 2328 Mexican American History II
- HIST 2381 African American History
- HIST 2389 Academic Cooperative

**Humanities**
- HUMA 1301 Introduction to Humanities I - Western
- HUMA 1302 Introduction to Humanities II - Non-Western
- HUMA 1305 Introduction to Mexican-American Studies
- HUMA 1311 Mexican-American
- HUMA 1315 Fine Arts Appreciation
- HUMA 2319 American Minority Studies
- HUMA 2323 World Cultures

**Kinesiology**
- KINE 1100 Fitness Walking
- KINE 1101 Fitness and Motor Development I
- KINE 1103 Weight Training & Conditioning I
- KINE 1104 Weight Training & Conditioning II
- KINE 1105 Badminton
- KINE 1107 Basketball I
- KINE 1109 Bowling I

**Mathematics**
- MATH 1316 Plane Trigonometry
- MATH 1324 Mathematics for Business & Social Sciences
- MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics
- MATH 1350 Fundamentals Of Mathematics I
- MATH 1351 Fundamentals Of Mathematics II
- MATH 1414 College Algebra
- MATH 1425 Calculus for Business & Social Sciences
- MATH 1442 Elementary Statistical Methods
- MATH 2412 Pre-Calculus Math
- MATH 2413 Calculus I
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- MATH 2415 Calculus III
- MATH 2418 Linear Algebra
- MATH 2420 Differential Equations

**Music**
- MUAP 1201 Applied Violin
- MUAP 1202 Applied Viola
- MUAP 1203 Applied Cello
- MUAP 1204 Applied Double Bass
- MUAP 1205 Applied Flute
- MUAP 1206 Applied Clarinet
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- MUAP 1210 Applied Trombone
- MUAP 1211 Applied Euphonium
- MUAP 1212 Applied Oboe
- MUAP 1213 Applied Bassoon
- MUAP 1214 Applied Tuba
- MUAP 1215 Applied Percussion
- MUAP 1216 Applied Guitar

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Cost of credit by examination is tuition only (based on the student’s residency status). Tuition for the course must be paid to the Business Office Cashier’s Department and a receipt presented to the instructor before the student is permitted to take the examination. The instructor must submit the credit by examination form and a copy of the exam to the Office of Admissions and Records.

**CREDIT BY EXAMINATION**

**Psychology**
*PSYC 1300 Learning Framework
*PSYC 2301 General Psychology
*PSYC 2306 Human Sexuality
*PSYC 2307 Adolescent Psychology I
*PSYC 2308 Child Psychology
*PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development
*PSYC 2315 Psychology of Adjustment
*PSYC 2316 Psychology of Personality
*PSYC 2317 Statistical Methods in Psychology
*PSYC 2319 Social Psychology

**Sign Language (American)**
*SGNL 1301 Beginning American Sign Language I
*SGNL 1302 Beginning American Sign Language II
*SGNL 2301 Intermediate American Sign Language I
*SGNL 2302 Intermediate American Sign Language II

**Social Work**
*SOCW 2361 Introduction to Social Work
*SOCW 2362 Social Welfare as a Social Institution

**Sociology**
*SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
*SOCI 1306 Social Problems
*SOCI 2301 Marriage and the Family
*SOCI 2319 Minority Studies

**Spanish**
*SPAN 1411 Beginning Spanish I for Non-Spanish Speakers
*SPAN 1412 Beginning Spanish II for Non-Spanish Speakers
*SPAN 2311 Intermediate Spanish I
*SPAN 2312 Intermediate Spanish II
*SPAN 2313 Spanish for Native/Heritage Speakers I
*SPAN 2315 Spanish for Native/Heritage Speakers II
*SPAN 2389 Academic Cooperative

**Speech**
*SPCH 1311 Introduction to Speech Communication
*SPCH 1315 Public Speaking
*SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communications
*SPCH 1321 Business & Professional Communication
*SPCH 2333 Discussion and Small Group Communication
*SPCH 2335 Argumentation And Debate
*SPCH 2389 Academic Cooperative

**Political Science**
*GOVT 2304 Introduction to Political Science
*GOVT 2305 Federal Government

*GOVT 2306 Texas Government
*GOVT 2311 Mexican-American Politics

*PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy
*PHIL 1304 Introduction to World Religions
*PHIL 2303 Introduction to Logic
*PHIL 2306 Introduction to Ethics
*PHIL 2307 Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy
*PHIL 2316 Classical Philosophy
*PHIL 2321 Philosophy Of Religion

**Physical Science**
*PHYS 1403 Stars & Galaxies
*PHYS 1404 Solar System
*PHYS 1415 Physical Science I
*PHYS 1417 Physical Science II

**Physics**
*PHYS 1401 College Physics I
*PHYS 1402 College Physics II
*PHYS 2425 University Physics I
*PHYS 2426 University Physics II

**Political Science**
*GOVT 2304 Introduction to Political Science
*GOVT 2305 Federal Government

**CREDIT BY EXAMINATION**

Credit given by examination may be earned in technical courses only. Students who have been given grades other than a “W” in the course are not eligible for credit by examination. Grades for credit by examination are recorded as credit and are not considered in computing grade point averages. The minimum passing score for credit by examination is 80.

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**COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION BOARD (CEEB)**

High school seniors anticipating advanced placement through CEEB Advanced Placement should make arrangements with their counselor.
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The International Baccalaureate Diploma is an international program of courses and exams offered at the high school level. South Texas College will grant (CR) credit for IB exams with certain required scores.

Students with IB diplomas or certificates may receive up to 24 semester credit hours based upon minimum scores of 4 in either the Standard Level (SL) or Higher Level (HL) subject group examinations. However, course credit does not have to be awarded on any IB exams where the score received is a 3 or less. This may mean that such students will not receive 24 hours of college credit, even if they have an IB diploma.

### Eligibility for Award of Credit

Prior to the award of college credit for IB diplomas or certificates, the student:

A. Must meet all admissions requirements of the College.

B. Must be pursuing a certificate or degree with a declared major.

C. Must officially enroll and earn six (6) hours of academic credit.

D. Must submit and official IB diploma or certificate and request examination scores directly from the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO).

E. Must have received at least a minimum score of 4 on the curriculum subject examination.

F. Must petition for award of IB credit. Student may choose which credit is to be transcribed if IB scores indicate more than 24 credit hours meet established criteria.

STC will not award a degree based solely upon the number of IB credits transferred in toward a degree requirement. STC policies require students to take 25% of credit hours from South Texas College as a graduation requirement.

### COLLEGE LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM (CLEP)

STC will grant credit for CLEP exams with certain required scores; however, credit will not be posted to a transcript until the student enrolls and earns six (6) credit hours credit at STC. A student must have taken the CLEP exam within the last five (5) years in order to receive credit.

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**PSYCHOLOGY**
- Psychology (SL or HL): 4, 5, 6 or 7 | PSYC 2301 | 3

**SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY**
- Social and Cultural Anthropology (SL or HL): 4, 5, 6 or 7 | ANTH 2351 | 3

**THEATRE ARTS**
- Theatre Arts (SL or HL): 4, 5, 6 or 7 | DRAM 1310 | 3
- Film (SL or HL): 4, 5, 6 or 7 | DRAM 2310 | 3

**VISUAL ARTS**
- Visual Arts (SL or HL): 4, 5, 6 or 7 | ARTS 1301 | 3

### GRADING SYSTEM

The following grading system is used at South Texas College.

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Certain grades are utilized in particular courses. Each course syllabi will indicate the grades that may be issued in the course.

The grade of "I" (for Incomplete) may be given by an instructor in certain circumstances for a course in which a student was unable to complete all of the objectives for the passing grade level attempted. The student must complete all of the objectives as dictated by the instructor by the end of the next long (Fall or Spring) term. Failure to complete all requirements by the end of the next long (Fall or Spring) term will result in a final grade of "F" or "NP" for the course.

With the exception of the "I", all grades are considered final unless College error is involved. In the event of a grade dispute, an appeal process is provided.

In the case of a repeated course, the last grade received will be used for degree plan requirements as applicable and as part of the student’s cumulative grade point average.

South Texas College accepts the responsibility to establish and maintain standards of excellence in the courses taught and to subscribe to the following principles:

1. We recognize the need for consistency and fairness in the evaluation of student performance.

2. We fully recognize the need to maintain public confidence in the academic integrity of the College.

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In an effort to promote student success, South Texas College has established categories of students based on the student’s scholastic progress.

Students are expected to meet academic standards for coursework completed at South Texas College. Students who fail to maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 (C average) are considered scholastically deficient and will be placed on academic probation, continued academic probation or academic suspension as appropriate. All grade points earned by a student will be included in the computation of the current semester grade point average. All grade points earned by a student, including developmental courses and the College Success course, will be included in the computation of the cumulative grade point average. In the case of a repeated course, the last grade recorded will be used in the computation.

The scholastic progress standards for students attending the College are as follows:

### LEVEL OF ACADEMIC STATUS | GPA CRITERIA
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Good Standing | Cumulative GPA is 2.00 or above
Academic Probation | Cumulative or current semester GPA, including developmental coursework, below 2.00.
Continued Academic Probation | Previously on Academic Probation and current semester GPA is below 2.00.
Academic Suspension | Previously on Continued Academic Probation and current semester GPA is below 2.00.

Good Standing, Academic Probation, Continued Academic Probation, and Academic Suspension will be determined each regular (Fall or Spring) semester on the basis of the student’s current semester grade point average, including developmental studies and College Success coursework. Academic suspension may last for one regular fall or spring semester. Students placed on academic suspension may enroll for summer sessions for the purpose of raising their cumulative GPA to the level required for good standing.

**Academic Probation**

Academic Probation is a system of monitoring student grades in all South Texas College courses in order to identify those who are experiencing difficulty in making satisfactory progress.

**Continued Academic Probation**

Continued Academic Probation is a system of monitoring student grades in all South Texas College for students placed on Academic Probation in order to identify those who continue to experience difficulty in making satisfactory progress. Continued Academic Probation occurs at the end of the semester following Academic Probation when a student’s current semester GPA remains below 2.00.

**Academic Suspension**

Academic Suspension is a system of forced interruption in attendance at the College in those instances where a student is unable to maintain satisfactory academic progress. Academic Suspension occurs when the student who has previously been on Continued Academic Probation fails to earn a 2.00 in the current semester.

**Readmission After A Period of Suspension**

After a period of scholastic suspension, a student may be readmitted on academic probation. Before readmission under probationary status, the suspended student must report to office of Counseling and Advising for an academic counseling interview.

A student on academic suspension who raises their cumulative GPA to 2.00 or higher can be reinstated in good standing following application to the office of Admissions and Records. Removal from suspension can be most effectively accomplished by re-enrolling for courses in which the student has a failing grade.

If a student who has been suspended feels that unusual circumstances warrant a review, the student may provide a written appeal to the Scholastic Appeals Committee in care of the Counseling and Advisement Center.

All students are responsible for knowing whether they are eligible to continue at the College. An ineligible student who nevertheless registers shall be dropped and cannot attend classes. Students shall not receive special consideration for lack of knowledge of scholastic status, regardless of whether the student registered and paid fees.

**DEVELOPMENTAL STUDIES PROGRAM**

South Texas College offers students the opportunity to develop college-level skills in mathematics, reading, writing and college success. South Texas College provides Developmental Education options to students that contain the essential academic skills to successfully complete academic/technical coursework.
Students not meeting Placement Standards to enroll in freshman-level coursework and not qualifying for a TSI exemption are required to enroll in and attend developmental course(s) work until they meet the Placement Standards for those skills. Students placing in one or more Developmental courses must also enroll in and attend a College Success course (EDCS 0101, EDUC1300, PSYC1300) during their first semester, until they successfully exit the course. Students who fail to comply with policies and procedures may be withdrawn from all of their classes except College Success and may not earn any college credit hours for the semester. Students who withdraw, are withdrawn from, or do not enroll in their required developmental classes are entitled to a one semester-long waiver which will allow them not to be withdrawn from all their academic classes, but they must enroll in the appropriate developmental class(es) the following semester or sooner. Being withdrawn from academic classes will affect Financial Aid status.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY**

South Texas College policy states:

As a premier learning-centered higher education institution, student attendance and participation is paramount to academic success; therefore, regular and punctual attendance in class and laboratories is expected of all students.

It is the student’s responsibility to communicate with the faculty member concerning any absence as specified by the respective course syllabus. The student may be required to present evidence to support an absence and make-up work for class absences will be permitted only as specified by the faculty in the course syllabus.

Dropping a course is the responsibility of the student and not taking the appropriate steps may result in an “F” for the course.

In addition to Division based guidelines related to attendance, faculty may drop students, prior to the withdrawal deadline when, in the opinion of the faculty, the student would have difficulty in successfully completing the course.

**STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT**

Detailed information regarding South Texas College’s expectations for students is presented in the Student Code of Conduct.

The Student Code of Conduct is an articulation of South Texas College’s commitment to maintaining an environment that recognizes and supports the rights of its students and provides a guide for defining behaviors the College considers inappropriate.

The Student Code of Conduct is available in the Student Handbook, which can be found online at http://life.southtexascollege.edu or by contacting the Office of Student Conduct at 956-872-2180.

**ACADEMIC HONORS**

**HONORS PROGRAM**

The South Texas College Honors Program is designed to provide progressive opportunities for study and innovative challenges to students who are highly motivated, intellectually gifted, academically well-prepared, and/or exceptionally creative.

The program offers unique opportunities for enrichment that will enhance and encourage intellectual curiosity, good citizenship, and leadership skills.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Students must apply for admission to the Honors Program and once accepted they must sign an Honors Program Student Course Contract for each Honors course registered. Applications may be obtained from the Academic Excellence Office or website. Each application will be reviewed and admission will be determined by the Academic Excellence Office. Students may apply at any time during the academic year. For further information about the Honors Program, contact the Academic Excellence Office 956-872-6440.

To be eligible to apply for the STC Honors Program, students currently enrolled at STC must be Texas Success Initiative (TSI) complete and must have a cumulative college GPA of 3.25. Students entering STC following graduation from high-school must have a cumulative high-school GPA of 3.5.

To apply, the student must:

1. Submit a complete Honors Application;
2. Submit STC transcript;
3. Make an appointment to review application, eligibility, and honors course selection.

All Honors Program students will receive Honors course advising, scheduling, and consultation.
annual college tours, employment and leadership opportunities on campus, and transfer scholarship opportunities.

Eligibility for the program is contingent on students being enrolled at the college on a full time basis, maintaining a GPA of 3.0 each semester, and participating in scholastic and leadership activities. Importantly, the program also requires students to be actively engaged in community service projects. All community service projects are structured and utilize the team concept as a motivational tool.

The Valley Scholars immediately create a natural learning community that studies and works together and is able to build on the synergy of high expectations and team leadership.

For further information about this program, contact the Academic Excellence Office at 872-6440.

PHI THETA KAPPA INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY - BETA EPSILON MU CHAPTER

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize and encourage scholarship among associate degree students.

To achieve this purpose, Phi Theta Kappa provides opportunities for the development of leadership and service, for an intellectual climate to exchange ideas and ideals, for lively fellowship for scholars, and for stimulation of interest in continuing academic excellence.

Each fall and spring semester invitation for membership is extended by the Beta Epsilon Mu Chapter to students who are currently enrolled, have completed at least 12 academic transferrable hours of coursework leading to an associate degree, and have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher (transferable courses only).

For further information, contact the Academic Excellence Office at 872-6440.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Certificate programs are workforce education programs consisting of 15-51 semester credit hours.

The Level One and Level Two Certificate programs are designed to prepare students with the competencies necessary to enter a technical or professional field and are normally a building block toward an A.A.S. degree.

Level One Certificates (CT1) consist of 15-42 semester credit hours and are Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Exempt.

Level Two Certificates (CT2) consist of 30-51 semester credit hours and require completion of TSI Liable for graduation.

Level Three Certificates (Enhanced Skills Certificates) are optional certificates associated with an A.A.S. degree program intended to provide
advanced skills, identified by a business and industry, which are not part of the degree. These certificates consist of 6-12 semester credit hours.

Advanced Technical Certificates have a specific associate degree as a pre-requisite for admission and are designed to be focused and justifiable to meet industry or external agency requirements. These certificates consist of 16-45 semester credit hours.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE (A.A.S.)
An Associate of Applied Science degree is awarded upon completion of a prescribed program of study of 60 semester credit hours in a technical or professional field. A.A.S. curricula are designed to enable the student to master competencies required to enter an occupation with marketable skills upon graduation.

» Specialization
Some A.A.S. degrees offer curricula variations that allow students to specialize.

The specialty does not result in a different A.A.S. degree, but allows the student to focus on a specific area within their chosen field.

» General Education Requirements
All workforce education students at STC are required to complete a minimum of 15 semester credit hours in general education courses before receiving an A.A.S. degree.

These 15 hours of general education courses must include at least one course in each of the following three areas: humanities/fine arts; social/behavioral sciences; and mathematics/natural sciences.

TRANSFER PROGRAMS

BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS
South Texas College currently offers a Bachelor of Applied Technology (B.A.T.) in Technology Management, Computer and Information Technologies, and Medical and Health Services; and a Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership.

The B.A.T. in Technology Management consists of the 42 semester-credit-hour Core Curriculum, 33 semester-credit-hours of lower-division technical specialty courses, and 45 semester-credit-hours of upper-division coursework in Technology Management.

The B.A.T. in Computer and Information Technologies consists of the 42 semester-credit-hour Core Curriculum, 39-40 semester-credit-hours of lower-division technical specialty courses, and 39 semester-credit-hours of upper-division coursework in Technology Management.

The B.A.T. in Medical and Health Services Management consists of the 42 semester-credit-hour Core Curriculum, 33 semester-credit-hours of lower-division technical specialty courses, and 45 semester-credit-hours of upper-division coursework.

The B.A.S. Organizational Leadership consists of the 42 semester-credit-hour Core Curriculum, 48 semester-credit-hours of lower-division technical specialty courses, and 30 semester-credit-hours of upper-division coursework.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS AND ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE (A.A. AND A.S.)
The Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees are designed for students planning to transfer credits to a baccalaureate degree program at a four-year institution.

The curricula in this catalog will satisfy the requirements of most four-year institutions. However, students must consult the catalog of the institutions to which they wish to transfer to determine the specific requirements of the receiving institution.

Formal articulation agreements have been established with several other institutions to facilitate the transfer of credit. For more information, consult your advisor.

» Core Curriculum
The Core Curriculum includes courses in communication, mathematics, life & physical sciences, language, philosophy & culture, creative arts, social and behavioral sciences, and a core component option area. All students are required to complete the Core Curriculum before receiving an A.A. or A.S. degree (Exceptions apply for some degree plans. Contact an academic advisor for more information).

If a student successfully completes the entire 42-semester-credit-hour core curriculum at STC, that block of courses must be transferred to any other public institution of higher education in Texas and will be substituted for the receiving institution’s core curriculum.

A course approved as a Texas Core Curriculum course at one institution must be applied to the student’s set of core courses at any other institution in Texas.

» Field of Study Curriculum
The Field of Study Curriculum includes 18 semester-credit-hours that will satisfy the lower division requirements for a baccalaureate degree in a specific academic area.

A student, who does not plan on earning a degree from South Texas College, but plans on transferring to a senior college or university, should follow the appropriate degree plan from the receiving institution.
Subject to the conditions listed below, South Texas College guarantees that students earning the Certificate of Completion, Associate of Applied Science Degree, Bachelor of Applied Science or Bachelor of Applied Technology, will have the job skills necessary for entry level employment in the technical field for which they have been trained. If an employer judges the graduate as lacking in skills identified as exit competencies for the program of study, the graduate will be provided up to 12 tuition free credit hours of additional training.

Special conditions which apply to this guarantee are as follows:

1. The graduate must have earned the Certificate of Completion, Associate of Applied Science degree, Bachelor of Applied Science or Bachelor of Applied Technology beginning September 1994, or thereafter in a Technical/Vocational/Occupational program identified in the College catalog.
2. The graduate must have completed the degree or certificate program with the College (with 75% of credits earned at the College) and must have completed the graduation requirements within a 3 year time span for the Certificate of Completion, a 5 year time span for the Associate of Applied Science, and a 7 year time span for the Bachelor of Applied Technology, or Bachelor of Applied Science.
3. The graduate must be employed full-time in an area directly related to the area of program concentration as certified by the appropriate career program chair.
4. Employment must commence within 12 months of graduation.
5. The employer must certify in writing that the employee is lacking entry-level skills identified by the College as the exit level program competencies and must specify the areas of deficiency within 90 days of the graduate's initial employment.
6. The employer, graduate, program chair, counselor, and appropriate faculty member will develop a written educational plan for retraining.
7. Retraining will be limited to 12 credit hours related to the identified skill deficiency and to those classes regularly scheduled during the period covered by the retraining plan.
8. All retraining must be completed within a calendar year from the time the educational plan is agreed upon.
9. The graduate and/or employer is responsible for the cost of books, insurance, uniforms, fees, and other course-related expenses.
10. The guarantee does not imply that the graduate will pass any licensing or qualifying examination for a particular career.
11. The students' sole remedy against the College and its employees for skills deficiencies shall be limited to 12 credit hours of tuition-free course work under conditions described above.
12. Activation of the "Graduate Guarantee Program" may be initiated by the graduate through contact with the appropriate academic dean within 90 days of the graduate's initial employment.

South Texas College awards the Bachelor of Applied Science, Bachelor of Applied Technology, Associate of Art, Associate of Science and, Associate of Applied Science degrees and the Certificate of Completion.

A student who enrolls at South Texas College during any academic year and who earns credit for work done during that year may graduate under the degree requirements provision of the catalog in force during the student's first semester of enrollment, provided that the student graduates within seven years for the bachelor degree program, within five years for an associate degree program, and within three years for a certificate program. Otherwise, the student may graduate by fulfilling the degree requirements as published in the catalog in force at the time of the student's graduation.

GRADUATION CEREMONY
The Ceremonies for graduation are held in May and December or at such other times determined by the Board based upon the needs of the College.

Although participation is optional, graduates are strongly encouraged to participate in the ceremony in order to be recognized for their accomplishment.

BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE AND BACHELOR OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY
To be awarded the Bachelor of Applied Science or Bachelor of Applied Technology degree, the student must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete the appropriate course of study for a Bachelor of Applied Science or Bachelor of Applied Technology program as specified in the College catalog. Developmental or other non-credit coursework does not apply toward graduation requirements.
2. South Texas College will accept a maximum of 90 semester credits of applicable coursework transferred from another accredited college or university toward a Bachelor of Applied Science or Bachelor of Applied Technology degree granted by STC.
3. Maintain a minimum average of “C” (2.0 GPA) for all courses in the area of specialization and a minimum overall cumulative average of “C” (2.0 GPA) in all other courses.

4. Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.

ASSOCIATE OF ART
To be awarded the Associate of Art degree, the student must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete the appropriate course of study for an Associate of Art program as specified in the College catalog. Developmental, or other non-credit coursework does not apply toward graduation requirements.

2. South Texas College will accept a maximum of 45 semester credits of applicable coursework transferred from another accredited college or university toward an Associate of Art degree granted by STC.

3. Maintain a minimum average of a “C" (2.0 GPA) for all courses in the area of specialization and a minimum overall cumulative average of “C” (2.0 GPA) in all other courses.

4. Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE
To be awarded the Associate of Science degree, the student must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete the appropriate course of study for an Associate of Science program as specified in the College catalog. Developmental, or other non-credit coursework does not apply toward graduation requirements.

2. South Texas College will accept a maximum of 45 semester credits of applicable coursework transferred from another accredited college or university toward an Associate of Science degree granted by STC.

3. Maintain a minimum average of a “C" (2.0 GPA) for all courses in the area of specialization and a minimum overall cumulative average of “C” (2.0 GPA) in all other courses.

4. Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE
To be awarded the Associate of Applied Science degree, the student must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete the appropriate course of study for an Associate of Applied Science program as specified in the College catalog. Developmental, or other non-credit coursework does not apply toward graduation requirements.

2. South Texas College will accept a maximum of 45 semester credits of applicable coursework transferred from another accredited college or university toward an Associate of Applied Science degree granted by STC.

3. Maintain a minimum average of a “C" (2.0 GPA) for all courses in the area of specialization and a minimum overall cumulative average of “C” (2.0 GPA) in all other courses.

4. Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION
To be awarded the Certificate of Completion, the student must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete a course of study for a Certificate of Completion program as specified in the College catalog. Developmental, or other non-credit coursework does not apply toward graduation requirements.

2. South Texas College requires that at least 25% of the required semester credits be completed through South Texas College.

3. Maintain a minimum average of a “C" (2.0 GPA) for all courses in the area of specialization and a minimum overall cumulative average of “C” (2.0 GPA) in all other courses.

4. Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.
Student Leadership Academy
The Student Leadership Academy encourages and aids in the development of student leaders. Through interactive workshops and seminars, this prestigious program allows students to develop their personal leadership style and put their leadership skills into practice; allowing them to gain experience, confidence and positively contribute to the community through volunteering opportunities.

Intramural Sports and Wellness
Intramural Sports and Wellness Programming provides opportunities for students to positively use their leisure time to engage in recreational sports and activities in a supportive and safe environment that enhances personal development, increases physical and mental health, encourages social interaction, and develops lifetime patterns for healthful living.

OFFICE OF STUDENT CONDUCT
The Office of Student Conduct develops influences and enforces South Texas College policies to promote a safe and supportive learning environment that treats each student fairly, equally, and with respect. The Office of Student Conduct nurtures student learning and growth by encouraging student accountability, academic integrity and responsible decision-making.

OFFICE OF OMBUDS SERVICES
The Ombudsperson provides guidance to the South Texas College community regarding College protocol and procedures and assists and counsels students in resolving disputes and conflicts in a way that facilitates individual responsibility, contributes to their maturation, and promotes the development of self-advocacy skills.

CAREER & EMPLOYER SERVICES
The Career and Employer Services office assists currently enrolled students and alumni in developing the skills necessary to locate and secure employment. Services include a free online job search system; assistance with resume preparation, writing job search letters and improving interviewing techniques; job fairs and employment referrals.

ACADEMIC ADVISING
Academic advisors help students set academic goals and provide the proper knowledge and tools to help them accomplish those goals. Student persistence, success, and completion is promoted through diverse services offered to students at the Advisement Centers. Prior to registration, it is very important that students contact their advisor for assistance with course selection and degree planning.

Academic Advisors
During a student’s first year in college, Academic Advisors utilize a case management approach to provide one-on-one advisement sessions at critical points in the semester in order to help
students stay on track for completion of their career pathway. The student’s assigned academic advisor is listed on Degree Works.

Services offered by the Advisement Centers:
- Point of contact for students
- Academic Advising
- Assistance with preparing student education plan
- Degree Progress Reports
- Case Management Services for First Time in College Students
- Referrals to appropriate services

NOTICE: The student is responsible for seeking academic advisement, for knowing and complying with South Texas College’s assessments and the State of Texas-Texas Success Initiative Rule (TSI) requirements of their declared degree or certificate program, and for taking courses in the proper sequence to ensure progress toward his/her educational goals.

All students are encouraged to visit with an advisor every semester for academic advisement. Advisors are available for walk-ins on a first come first served basis. Please call one of the numbers listed below for immediate answers to all your advising questions or for additional information. The receptionist answering your call will direct you to an available advisor.
(956) 872-8372 / 1-800-742-7822

Providing Academic Support to Students (PASS)
PASS began in 1993 as Project HOPE with the goal of assisting single mothers complete a postsecondary education by helping them pay for childcare. As the program grew it became apparent that our participants had a variety of needs ranging from financial to academic and emotional. The program grew to accommodate those needs and became known as the Together in Achievement (TIA) and Striving Towards A Non-traditional Degree (STAND) programs. Demand for the services that TIA and STAND provided grew to such an extent that in the Fall of 2000 it was expanded to include all Technical/Vocational majors and was re-named PASS.

Today, the PASS Program which is funded by a grant from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board with funds from the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 focuses on the following:
- Career and Technical Education programs
- Retention and Transfer
- Elimination of barriers to special population students (single parents, displaced homemakers, non-traditional students, economically disadvantaged, and individuals with disabilities).
- Graduation

PASS provides specialized case management services for students with Career and Technical Education majors, Associate of Applied Science majors, or Certificate majors. The PASS program is able to assist eligible students in the following areas:
- Case Management
- Career/Academic Advising
- Registration
- Referral Services
- Child Care Assistance (Enrolled Full-Time)
- Lending Library (Textbook Assistance)

For more information, visit the Technology Campus, Bldg. B-181 or call (956) 872-6315.

COUNSELING
The Student Services Department reflects South Texas College’s commitment to provide access to higher education and support the educational goals of students from diverse backgrounds. The staff at Student Services helps achieve academic success through the following services: academic advisement, career and personal counseling, special services for students with disabilities, and assistance to special populations.

Counseling Services
Life situations at times require professional assistance. At South Texas College, counselors provide many services designed to help students attain educational, career, and personal goals.

Individual and Group Counseling
Academic Counseling
- One-on-one attention
- Assessment, goal-setting and orientation
- Study skills assessment and training
- Referrals to appropriate services
- Academic Probation/Suspension

Career Counseling and Transfer Assistance
- Assistance in choosing a career that is compatible with the student’s interests, personality traits, work values, and abilities.
- Vocational assessment is available through the online program called Career Cruising, as well as other instruments.
- Assistance in selecting courses and gaining information about transferring to other institutions.
- Through the Transfer Track Program, representatives from other institutions visit South Texas College to meet with students.

Personal Counseling
Assistance in resolving crisis or personal issues interfering with educational success such as:
- Becoming comfortable in a college setting;
- Making personal, educational, and career choices;
Taking control of one's life;  
Reducing stress;  
Time-Management;  
Setting goals;  
Eliminating self-defeating behavior;  
Esteeming oneself and others;  
Asserting oneself;  
Dealing with crisis;  
Managing anger;  
Dealing with eating disorders;  
Surviving past physical, emotional, and sexual abuse;  
Coping with alcohol and drug abuse;  
Enhancing social skills.  
Fiscal responsibility

Special topic Presentations, Workshops and National Mental Health Screenings
- Academic Study Skills Workshops
- Life Skills Workshops
- Career Planning Workshops
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Awareness Day
- Safe Spring Break Campaign
- National Depression Screening Day
- National Alcohol Screening Day
- National Eating Disorders screening Day

The Counseling Center offers students and the campus community a variety of professional services including those listed above. Most services are pre-paid through your student service fee. These services are offered in a confidential atmosphere where the student may discuss concerns that are important to their educational and personal success.

Counselors are available during the day on a walk-in basis or by appointment; however, appointments are preferred. Services for evening hours are by appointment only. Counselors are available at the Pecan Campus, Nursing and Allied Health Campus, Technology Campus, Mid-Valley Campus, and Starr County Campus locations. Schedules vary at each location so students should call (956) 872-2173 or 1-800-742-7822 to inquire about office hours and appointments.

Student Disability Services
Students or prospective students requiring special accommodations should contact the Student Disability Services (SDS) office at (956) 872-2173. Accommodation requests must be in writing. Students are required to provide documentation to verify his/her disability before accommodations are provided.

Services and accommodations as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act may include: assessment for special needs, academic advisement, short-term personal counseling, assistance with the admission process, registration, financial aid application, applications for TSI testing accommodations, academic appeals, arrangements for sign language interpreters, tutorial assistance, the use of provision of adaptive equipment, readers, scribes, instructional/testing/classroom modifications, liaison between students, faculty, staff and others, and referral services to other South Texas College departments or outside service providers. South Texas College is an equal opportunity institution which provides educational opportunities without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability or veteran students in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act 1973, and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 which prohibits discrimination based on sex.

BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION TEAM
The Behavioral Intervention Team at South Texas College is a district wide threat assessment and behavioral intervention team that monitors threats to the campus community and intervenes in the concerning behaviors of all individuals who work at, attend, or who have business with South Texas College. The Teams serves the district-wide community by providing threat assessment, case management, intervening strategies, educational opportunities, and training for all students, faculty and staff.

STUDENT SUCCESS SPECIALIST

All continuing students with a declared major are encouraged to meet with their respective student success specialist before registration to discuss course selection and preparation of degree plans. The student success specialists serve as liaisons between Instructional Divisions and Student Support Services. They also provide specialized divisional advising, promote timely completion of a degree, and assist students with graduation process and requirements. The following is a list of Instructional Divisions for which student success specialists are available to assist students. Please visit http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/advising/ to find out location information for student success specialists.

- Math and Science
- Business and Technology
- Liberal Arts and Social Sciences
- Distance Education Programs
STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

As a premier learning-centered higher education institution, South Texas College is committed to academic integrity and standards of excellence of the highest quality in all courses and programs and to providing an environment that fosters the educational process and the well-being of the campus community.

South Texas College recognizes that student success is a shared responsibility between the student and the College. Students attending South Texas College are expected to accept and adhere to the following responsibilities:

1. Students are expected to exercise personal responsibility and self discipline as they engage in the rigors of discovery and scholarship. Inappropriate behavior may result in disciplinary action against the student.

2. Students attending South Texas College are responsible for adhering to standards of academic integrity. Academic dishonesty may result in disciplinary action against the student.

In support of the rights of its students, South Texas College is committed to:

1. Ensuring that students are treated with fundamental fairness and personal dignity that includes an impartial process for students to appeal disciplinary sanctions imposed by the College or to file a complaint or grievance when they believe that they were unjustly or improperly treated by the College, College employees, or other students.

2. Students with HIV or HBV infection may attend any STC function or event as long as they are physically and mentally able to participate, perform assigned work and pose no health risks to others.

All information regarding the medical status of South Texas College faculty, staff and students is confidential. Contact the office of Counseling and Advising for additional information or call (956) 872-8372.

The Student Code of Conduct is available in the Student Handbook, which can be found online at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/studentlife or by contacting the Office of Student Conduct at 956-872-2180.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT RELATING TO STUDENTS WITH CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

South Texas College recognizes that contagious diseases are a serious threat to public health and is committed to encouraging an informed and educated response to issues and questions concerning these diseases.

No individual with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) or Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) will be discriminated against in employment, admission to academic programs, health benefits, or access to facilities.

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CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS OF NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH PROGRAMS

Before assignment to a clinical or cooperative study, a student must have on file with the Clinical Affairs Specialist all of the following:

- Proof of required immunizations:
  - Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) 2 doses
  - Hepatitis B (complete 3 immunization series)
  - Tdap (Tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis) within 10 years
  - Varicella 2 doses
  - Meningitis (students under the age of 22 state requirement)
  - Current T.B. test results (yearly)-if positive, chest X-ray required every 2 years
  - Influenza (required from August-April)

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- Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR): Proof of Immunization as defined by the Texas Department of Health Standards or proof of immunity by disease.
- Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap): Proof of “booster” dose administered within the last 10 years.
- Hepatitis B Virus Vaccines: Written certification of serological immunity or completed series of Hep B vaccinations (3 shot series)
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Effective January 1, 2012, Texas Senate Bill 1107 requires all entering students at public and private or independent institutions of higher education to have an initial bacterial meningitis vaccination or booster dose during the five-year period preceding, or at least 10 days prior to, the first day of the first semester. Students affected by the mandate must submit proof of vaccination before the 10th class day to the Office of Admissions and Records.

A student is not required to submit evidence of receiving the vaccination against bacterial meningitis or evidence of receiving a booster dose if:

1. The student is 22 years of age or older by the first day of the start of the semester; or
2. The student is enrolled only in online or other distance education courses; or
3. The student is enrolled in a continuing education course or program that is less than 360 contact hours, or continuing education corporate training; or
4. The student is enrolled in a dual credit course which is taught at a public or private K-12 facility not located on a higher education institution campus; or
5. The student is incarcerated in a Texas prison.

A recent update to the bacterial meningitis legislation allows students, who will be attending a community college, to submit an exemption for the bacterial meningitis vaccine at https://webds.dshs.state.tx.us/immco/jc/.

South Texas College wants to stress the importance of consulting a physician about the need for an immunization against bacterial meningitis to prevent the disease. Meningitis is a very serious, sometimes fatal, disease that is easily spread on college campuses and we are trying to take all of the proper precautions to protect the health and well-being of our students.

South Texas College makes available to all enrolling students health and accident insurance coverage. Such coverage is voluntary and must be purchased by the student each semester.

Coverage terminates at the end of every semester. As with most insurance coverage, the policy will not cover 100 percent of every claim. As a result, individuals purchasing this insurance are responsible for any balance or unpaid claim due.

Students have the following options in regards to purchasing insurance:

a. Have their own insurance (BCBS, Aetna, Medicaid, Medicare, VA, etc.)
b. Purchase the STC policy (insurance must be purchased on line:
   - Visit http://southtexascollege.edu/
   - Click: Current Students Tab
   - Under Helpful Resources click: Student Insurance Plans
   - Accept full financial responsibility for expenses from an accident and/or sickness (students must have insurance)

For information please contact the Cashier's office.
FINANCIAL AID

Education after high school requires time, money, and effort. It's a big investment, and you should carefully evaluate the school you are choosing.

South Texas College has elected to participate in the following U.S. Department of Education Title IV programs:
- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
- Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant
- Federal Work-Study

South Texas College also receives state assistance from The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board including, but not limited to:
- Texas Educational Opportunity Grant (TEOG)
- Towards Excellence, Access, and Success (TExAS) Grant
- Texas Public Education Grant (TPEG)
- Texas Work-study
- State Exemptions & Waivers

For more information visit www.collegeforalltexas.com

Within the Financial Aid section of this catalog, you will also find information over other programs including:
- Student Loans
- Veterans Educational Benefits
- Scholarships
- Third Party Sponsors

TYPES OF AID
- Grants: A form of financial aid that does not require repayment as long as you meet certain conditions
- Work-Study: A form of financial aid that is earned through part-time employment
- Exemptions & Waivers: A type of financial assistance in the form of a payment of all or part of a student's tuition and fees
- Loans: A form of financial aid that is borrowed and must be repaid with interest
- Veterans Educational Benefits: A form of financial aid for veterans and/or dependents of veterans of the US armed forces
- Scholarships: An additional form of financial aid that may be based on merit and/or need
- Third Party: A form of financial assistance from outside agencies

Please note that the Office of Student Financial Services has taken care to ensure the accuracy and timeliness of the information contained on this publication. However, contents are subject to change without notice because of changing Federal, State and/or Institutional policies.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL AID

Below are the basic eligibility requirements to be considered for Federal Aid (Title IV programs):
1. Fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
2. Meet all Department of Education eligibility requirements including but not limited to:
   a. Have financial need
   b. Have a high school diploma or a General Education Development (GED) Certificate, or demonstrate Ability-to-Benefit
   c. Register with the Selective Services, if required.
   d. Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
   e. Have a valid Social Security Number.
3. Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a regular student working toward a degree or certificate in an eligible program.
5. *Ability to Benefit - a student who does not have a high school diploma or an equivalent such as a GED certificate, or who was not homeschooled and who first enrolls in an eligible program of study on or after July 1, 2014 can only become eligible for Title IV, HEA student assistance using one of the following ATB alternatives if the student is also enrolled in an "eligible career pathway program" as defined in section 484(d)(2) of the HEA:
   • Pass an independently administered, Department of Education approved ATB test
   • Complete at least six credit-hours, or the equivalent coursework (225 clock-hours), that are applicable toward a degree or certificate offered by the postsecondary institution

* Please check with the Student Financial Services Office for additional information about the Ability to Benefit provisions and eligible career pathway programs.

Financial Need

When you apply for federal student aid, the information you report on the FAFSA is used in a formula established by the U.S. Department of Education. The formula determines your Expected Family Contribution (EFC), an amount you and your family are expected to contribute toward your education. If your EFC is below a certain amount, you will be eligible for a Federal Pell Grant, assuming you meet all other eligibility requirements.

There is not a maximum EFC that determines eligibility for the other financial aid programs. Instead, your EFC is used in an equation to determine your financial need:

\[ \text{Financial Need} = \text{Cost of Attendance} - \text{Expected Family Contribution (EFC)} \]

To determine your unmet need for aid other than Federal Pell Grant, the calculation is:

\[ \text{Cost of Attendance} - \text{EFC} - \text{Pell Grant and any other Financial Aid} = \text{Unmet Need} \]

APPLYING FOR AID: FAFSA AND RENEWAL FAFSA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
The FAFSA is made available each year by the U.S. Department of Education to determine student eligibility for financial aid. The form
must be filled out completely and correctly for a student’s eligibility to be calculated correctly. Read the instructions carefully when you complete the FAFSA or the Renewal FAFSA.

Renewal FAFSA
If you applied for federal student aid this past school year, you probably will be able to file a Renewal Free Application for Federal Student Aid (Renewal FAFSA) online. If you qualify to use the Renewal FAFSA, you will have fewer questions to answer. Most of the information on the form will be prefilled and will be the same as the information you provided in the previous year. You will have to provide some new information and update information that has changed (for example, family size, and income). Check with the Office of Student Financial Services if you have questions about the Renewal FAFSA.

When to Apply
We strongly encourage all students to apply as early as possible after January 1st of every year to avoid delays in payment of tuition/fees. Financial aid computers labs are available at all five campus locations (Pecan, Mid-Valley, Starr, Tech, & NAH) to assist students with the application process. Lab hours may vary from location to location; please contact the closest Office of Student Financial Services for more information on availability.

Our Recommended Priority Dates are:
- March 31, 2016 for Fall semester
- October 1, 2016 for Spring semester
Please note that our financial aid award year is from July 1 to June 30, for the ending award year and there are deadline set forth by Department of Education of as follows: Fall, Spring, and Summer. There is a 45-day period following the date a student files a renewal FAFSA. Financial Aid computers labs are available at all five campus locations (Pecan, Mid-Valley, Starr, Tech, & NAH) to assist students with the application process. Lab hours may vary from location to location; please contact the closest Office of Student Financial Services for more information on availability.

Steps to Receive Financial Aid

Step 1: Gather Your Information
Dependent students are required to provide parental information on their FAFSA and independent students are not. If you are not sure if you are a dependent or independent student please see the dependency status section to find out.

Here is a list of documents you will need:
1. Your Social Security card (and your parents’, if you are a dependent student)
2. Your alien registration or permanent resident card (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
3. Your (and your spouse’s, if married) Income Tax Return
4. Your Parents’ Income Tax Return (if you are a dependent student)
5. Your W-2 forms and other records of money earned
6. Any untaxed income records including child support paid or received
7. Your current bank statements
8. Your current business and investment mortgage information, business and farm records, stocks, bonds and other investment records

Step 2: Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid in April 2015 the FSA ID (username and password) replaced the PIN signature for students and parents

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Step 3: Log-on to JagNet to Find Your Status
After the FAFSA has been submitted and a reasonable amount of time has passed since submission, students may check their status online through JagNet. JagNet is a self-service system provided by South Texas College to allow students and opportunity to access important information on their own without having to call or wait in line.

Dependency Status
When you apply for Federal Student Aid, your answers to certain questions will determine whether you are considered dependent on your parents. If you are considered dependent on your parents, you must report their income information and assets as well as your own. If you are considered independent, you must report only your own income information and assets (and those of your spouse, if you are married).

You are an independent student if at least one of the following applies to you:
- You are or will be 24 or older by December 31 of the school year for which you are applying for aid
- You will be working on a master’s or doctorate program on the award year you are applying for (beyond a bachelor’s degree)
- You are married (including common-law marriages) or separated but not divorced
- You have children
- You are an orphan or were a ward of the court (until age 18) or were in foster care
- You currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training
- You are a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces
- You are an emancipated minor
- You are or were in legal guardianship
- You are homeless or at risk of being homeless, unaccompanied youth

If you think you have unusual circumstances that would make you independent even though none of the above criteria applies to you, please review the Dependency Override information in the Professional Judgment section of this catalog and speak to a financial aid representative. The committee reviews all requests from students for changes in dependency status. All decisions made by the committee are final.

FAFSA DATA MATCHES
The U.S. Department of Education performs several matches of the information that students provide on the FAFSA/Renewal FAFSA form with national databases, including:
- The Selective Service System
- The Department of Homeland Security
- The Social Security Administration
- The Department of Justice
The National Student Loan Data System
The Department of Veterans Affairs

If any of the information that is provided on the application is not consistent with the data that is on these databases, or if these agencies have any information that is relevant to your financial aid eligibility, the U.S. Department of Education will alert STC and the issues/questions will have to be resolved before your eligibility can be confirmed.

VERIFICATION
The U.S. Department of Education (ED) selects applicants for verification of information submitted on the financial aid application. In addition South Texas College may select an applicant for verification if the information submitted appears to be incorrect or conflicting. In most cases the documents used to verify information are tax return transcripts of the prior year’s federal income tax return and a Verification Worksheet. Additional documents may be requested depending upon the information to be verified. Dependent students must submit parental information in addition to their own information. Federal Regulations state we have the right to ask students for this information and we must correct conflicting information before awarding Federal Aid.

Completing Verification
Students who are selected for verification are mailed a Missing Information Letter (MIL) that explains what documents they must submit. Students may also view this information on their Jagnet account. Students must submit the required documentation to the Student Financial Services Office (SFS) thirty (30) days before they expect to have their verification completed and their account cleared for disbursement. The SFS office will work to review verifications sooner than thirty (30) days after submission, however during peak registration times this may not be possible.

Conflicting Information
If the information on your application and your financial documents is conflicting the Student Financial Services Office will need to make a correction. Corrections may take some time to process so we encourage all students to submit the required documents in a timely manner. If a correction changes your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and you are still eligible for aid the required documentation to the Student Financial Services Office will be accepted and reviewed. If the information submitted appears to be incorrect or conflicting, the U.S. Department of Education may request additional information. Please note, per U.S. Department of Education regulations, none of the conditions listed below, singly or in combination, qualify as unusual circumstances or merit a dependency change:

1. Parents refuse to contribute to the student’s education,
2. Parents are unwilling to provide information on the FAFSA application or for verification,
3. Parents do not claim the student as a dependent for income tax purposes,
4. Student is able to demonstrate total self-sufficiency.

Cost of Attendance Appeals
A student's cost of attendance determines the total amount of most types of aid that a student may receive. In some cases South Texas College may adjust a student’s cost of attendance to take into account additional costs which are not included in the normal need calculation. These costs may include a family’s unusual medical or

Required Documentation
- Verification Worksheets: Forms are available at all Student Financial Services Offices and online at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/forms.html
- Federal Income Tax Return Transcripts for all people whose income information is required by the U.S. Department of Education.
- In cases where information is conflicting the Student Financial Services Office may request additional proof of untaxed income and benefits.

This proof will vary by agency. For example:
- Untaxed Income Sources
- Unemployment Benefits-A statement from the agency which provided the benefits.
- Signature requirements:
  - Verification Worksheets
  - Dependent Students - Form must be signed by the student and one parent.
  - Independent Students - Form must be signed by the student

The SFS office will accept and review verification documentation until the Department of Education’s published processing deadline.

Students are responsible for submitting the required documentation in a timely manner, failure to do so will result in forfeiting their federal aid for the award year.

PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT
The Student Financial Services Office uses Professional Judgment on a case-by-case basis to take into consideration extenuating circumstances that directly impact a student’s eligibility for financial aid. The Financial Aid Appeals Committee can make professional judgment decisions to change a student’s dependent status to independent, increase or decrease one or more of the data elements used to calculate the student’s EFC and/or increase the student’s cost of attendance.

Dependency Overrides
If extenuating circumstances exists a professional judgment may be made to override a student’s status from dependent to independent. Please contact the Student Financial Services Office for additional information. Please note, per U.S. Department of Education regulations, none of the conditions listed below, singly or in combination, qualify as unusual circumstances or merit a dependency change:

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Income Reduction or Income Loss
An adjustment to the income amounts a student reported on their FAFSA application may be made if the student or his/her spouse, or parent (if dependent) have become unemployed, or have experienced a significant decrease in income. If these conditions apply to you or your family please contact the Student Financial Services Office for additional information.

Cost of Attendance Appeals
A student’s cost of attendance determines the total amount of most types of aid that a student may receive. In some cases South Texas College may adjust a student’s cost of attendance to take into account additional costs which are not included in the normal need calculation. These costs may include a family’s unusual medical or
dentical expenses, or tuition expenses for children attending a private elementary or secondary school, or additional costs related to school attendance for students with disabilities.

All Professional Judgment Appeals and supporting documentation should be submitted to the Student Financial Services Office. The Financial Aid Appeals Committee will review all appeals and all decisions made by the committee are final.

**FEDERAL PELL GRANT**

Federal Pell Grant funds are not required to be repaid and are awarded to undergraduate students who have not earned a bachelor’s or professional degree. Eligibility for the Federal Pell Grant is partially determined by the number of credit hours in which the student is enrolled during the semester and the Expected Family Contribution (EFC). South Texas College will mail award letters showing student eligibility for Federal Pell Grant funds assuming that the students will take at least 12 credit hours per semester.

The Student Financial Services Office adjusts the amount of Pell Grant that students receive if the number of credit hours they are enrolled in, changes through the census date of each semester or term.

For more information on eligibility requirements please refer to the sections that follow, on the award letter, and on South Texas College’s website at: http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/.

**Award Amounts**

Awards are based on your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as determined by the FAFSA and by a student’s level of enrollment. How much you may receive will depend on your EFC, your cost of attendance, your enrollment status, and whether you attend school for a full academic year. You may only receive Pell Grant funds from one institution at a time.

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**Eligibility Determination**

To determine if you are eligible, the U.S. Department of Education uses a standard formula, to evaluate the information you report when you apply through the Free Application of Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The formula produces an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) number. The lower the EFC number, the more aid the student is eligible for. Your Institutional Student Information Record (ISIR) contains this number and will tell you if you are eligible.

To be considered for Pell Grant Eligibility, you must:

- Fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid,
- Meet all Department of Education eligibility requirements including but not limited to:
  - Having financial need,
  - Having a high school diploma or a General Education Development (GED) Certificate,
  - Registering with the Selective Services, if required,
  - Being a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen,
  - Having a valid Social Security Number,
- Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a regular student working toward a degree or certificate in an eligible program,
- Meet the standards of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (FA SAP).

**Additional Requirements**

South Texas College Student Financial Services Office monitors requirements that can affect your eligibility for Federal Pell Grant funds, including but not limited to:

1. **Your continued enrollment within a semester:** if you withdraw/are withdrawn, you may be required to repay funds awarded to you. More information on this can be found at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/withdrawals.html
2. **Your grades:** if you do not earn at least one passing grade in a semester, you may be required to repay funds awarded to you. More information can be found at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/fail.html
3. **Developmental courses you attempt:** we may only fund 30 credit hours of developmental work over a student’s educational career. If a Pell eligible student attempts their 11th or greater developmental course, that course cannot be counted in the students’ enrollment status.
4. **Repeated Coursework:** Beginning July 1, 2011, the definition of a full-time student was amended to allow repeated coursework to count toward enrollment status in term-based programs.
5. **Lifetime Eligibility Used:** Effective July 1, 2012 students may only receive a Pell Grant for six years of full-time enrollment (equivalent to 12 semesters or 600%) during their lifetime. This change affects all students regardless of when or where they received their first Pell Grant. The maximum amount of Pell Grant funding that a student may receive each year is equal to 100%, this is why the six-year equivalent is 600%.
6. **Unusual Enrollment History:** Beginning award year 2013-2014 and forward, new regulations have been established to prevent fraud and abuse in the Federal Pell Grant Program by identifying students with unusual enrollment histories. The Student Financial Services Department is required to review the student’s enrollment and financial aid record to determine if, during the past three award years the student has legitimate reasons for the unusual enrollment history.

**Levels of Enrollment Equivalent credit hours**

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More information on above items 3 through 6 can be found at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/eligibility_issues.html

**Attendance Verification**

The U.S. Department of Education requires that schools are able to document that students are actually in attendance to finalize their Federal Pell Grant eligibility. For example, if a student doesn’t begin attendance in all of his or her classes, the school must recalculate the student’s award based on the lower enrollment status. A student is considered to have begun attendance in all of his or her classes if the student attends at least one day of class for each course in which that student’s enrollment status was determined for Federal Pell Grant eligibility.

In a distance education context, documenting that a student has logged into an online class is not sufficient, by itself, to demonstrate academic attendance by the student. A school must demonstrate that a student participated in class or was otherwise engaged in an academically related activity, such as by contributing to an online discussion or initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a course-related question. A definition of attendance for Financial Aid Purposes is discussed later on in this catalog under Eligibility Issues and also be found at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/eligibility_issues.html

South Texas College documents attendance for Federal Pell Grant purposes by collecting on-line rosters from all instructors. The instructors use the rosters to indicate whether a student has attended or not. Students must attend each class that they are enrolled in, at least once at the beginning of each term to be counted as being in attendance in that class for Federal Pell Grant eligibility purposes.

In cases where students do not attend class at least once, Federal Pell Grant eligibility will be adjusted based on the enrollment status for the number of credits that they are actually attending. If this adjustment results in a student not having sufficient grant funds to pay for any charges or advances that they have incurred or received, that student will be responsible to pay South Texas College for the difference between their adjusted eligibility and the original amount of the cost of their tuition and fees as well as any advances that the student received.

**Fund Disbursements**

South Texas College will credit Pell Grant funds to your school account to pay for tuition, fees and other school related costs which appear on your student account (institutional charges). If you are eligible for funds in excess of your institutional charges, after completing eligibility verification South Texas College will pay you the difference directly by mailing you a check. These Federal Pell Grant funds will be released to you in two disbursements; the first one is the Book Allowance and the second one is the Final Refund. Book Allowance and Final Refund release dates are provided to students before the start of each semester; they are published at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/book_allowances.html

**Declining Pell Grant Funds**

You may decline all or part of your disbursement of Pell Grant funds that you are otherwise eligible to receive. You may wish to take this action if you expect to qualify for a larger Pell Grant in future years as a result of an expected transfer to a more expensive educational institution or an expected change in your expected family contribution. If you are going to return all or a portion of Pell Grant funds, you must deliver to our Student Financial Services Department a signed, written statement clearly indicating that you are declining Pell Grant funds for which you are otherwise eligible and that you understand that those funds may not be available once the award year is over.

**Returning Pell Grant Funds**

You may return all or a portion of Pell Grant funds that you are otherwise eligible to receive, as long as this action is taken during the same award year. You must deliver to our Student Financial Services Department a signed, written statement clearly indicating that you are returning Pell Grant funds for which you are otherwise eligible and that you understand that those funds may not be available once the award year is over. After the statement is submitted, you will then need to return the funds directly to the South Texas College Cashiers Office.

**FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (FSEOG)**

The Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) is an additional grant available to undergraduate students with exceptional financial need and gives priority to students who receive Federal Pell Grants and whose Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is a zero.

**Award Amounts**

The Student Financial Services Office will award a student up to $500 dollars per semester. There is no guarantee every eligible student will be able to receive a FSEOG; students at South Texas College are awarded based on the availability of funds. FSEOG funds are awarded by semester.

**Eligibility Determination**

To determine if you are eligible, the U.S. Department of Education uses a standard formula to evaluate the information you report when you apply through the Free Application of Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The formula produces an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) number. Following Federal Regulations, South Texas College awards students with the lowest EFC (zero EFC), who have demonstrated Pell Grant eligibility for the same award year.

To be considered for FSEOG, you must:

- Fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid,
- Meet all Department of Education eligibility requirements including but not limited to:
- Having financial need,
- Having a high school diploma or a General Education Development (GED) Certificate,
- Registering with the Selective Services if required,
- Being a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen,
- Having a valid Social Security Number,
  - Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a regular student working toward a degree or certificate in an eligible program,
  - Meet the standards of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (FA SAP),
  - Have a zero EFC,
  - Be registered and attending at least 6 credit hours in a semester.

Additional Requirements
South Texas College Student Financial Services Office monitors requirements that can affect your eligibility for Federal SEOG funds, including but not limited to:

- Your continued enrollment within a semester: if you withdraw/are withdrawn, you may be required to repay funds awarded to you. More information on this can be found at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/withdrawals.html
- You are graded: if you do not earn at least one passing grade in a semester, you may be required to repay funds awarded to you. More information can be found at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/fail.html
- Developmental courses you attempt: we may only fund 30 credit hours of developmental work over a student’s educational career. If a Federal SEOG eligible student attempts their 11th or greater developmental course, that course cannot be counted in the students’ enrollment status.
- Repeated Coursework: Beginning July 1, 2011, the definition of a full-time student was amended to allow repeated coursework to count toward enrollment status in term-based programs.
- Unusual Enrollment History: Beginning award year 2013-2014 and forward, new regulations have been established to prevent fraud and abuse in the Federal Pell Grant Program by identifying students with unusual enrollment histories. The Student Financial Services Department is required to review the student’s enrollment and financial aid record to determine if, during the past three years the student has legitimate reasons for the unusual enrollment history.

More information on above items 3 through 5 can be found at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/eligibility_issues.html

Attendance Verification
The U.S. Department of Education requires that schools are able to document that students are actually in attendance to finalize their Federal Student Aid eligibility. For example, if a student doesn’t begin attendance in all of his or her classes, the school must recalculate the student’s award based on the lower enrollment status. A student is considered to have begun attendance in all of his or her classes if the student attends at least one day of class for each course in which that student’s enrollment status was determined for Federal SEOG eligibility.

In a distance education context, documenting that a student has logged into an online class is not sufficient, by itself, to demonstrate academic attendance by the student. A school must demonstrate that a student participated in class or was otherwise engaged in an academically related activity, such as by contributing to an online discussion or initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a course-related question. A definition of attendance for Financial Aid Purposes is discussed later on in this catalog under Eligibility Issues and also be found at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/eligibility_issues.html

South Texas College documents attendance for Federal SEOG purposes by collecting on-line rosters from all instructors. The instructors use the rosters to indicate whether a student has attended or not. Students must attend each class that they are enrolled in, at least once at the beginning of each term to be counted as being in attendance in that class for Federal SEOG eligibility purposes.

In cases where students do not attend class at least once, Federal SEOG eligibility will be cancelled if the enrollment status changes to 5 credit hours or less because those are the hours they are actually attending. If this cancellation results in a student not having sufficient grant funds to pay for any charges or advances that they have inurred or received, the student will be responsible to pay South Texas College for the difference between their adjusted eligibility and the original amount of the cost of their tuition and fees as well as any advances that the student received.

Fund Disbursements
South Texas College will credit Federal SEOG funds to your school account to pay for tuition, fees and other school related costs which appear on your student account (institutional charges). If you are eligible for funds in excess of your institutional charges, after completing eligibility verification, South Texas College will pay you the difference directly by mailing you a check. These Federal SEOG funds will be released to you as a final refund; final refund release dates are provided to students before the start of each semester; they are published at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/book_allowances.html

IRAQ & AFGHANISTAN SERVICE GRANT
An otherwise Pell-eligible student whose parent or guardian died as a result of U.S. military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001, may receive increased amounts of federal student aid if the student was less than 24 years old when the parent or guardian died, or was enrolled at an institution of higher education at the time of the parent or guardian’s death.

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Eligibility Determination
The U.S. Department of Education will notify the student when he appears to meet the criteria, based on a match with the Department of Defense (DoD) file of eligible dependents. The match will be performed when a student submits a FAFSA or FAFSA correction (and periodically thereafter). When an eligible student is identified, the U.S. Department of Education will generate a Central Processing System (CPS) transaction for the student, and the resulting ISIR will include a “DoD Match Flag”. This flag will be used by South Texas College Student Financial Services, to determine student's eligibility.

ELIGIBILITY ISSUES
South Texas College Student Financial Services Office monitors requirements that can affect your eligibility for Title IV funds, including but not limited to:

Attendance
The U.S. Department of Education requires that schools are able to document that students are actually in attendance to finalize their Federal Pell Grant eligibility. For example, if a student doesn’t begin attendance in all of his or her classes, the school must recalculate the student’s award based on the lower enrollment status. A student is considered to have begun attendance in all of his or her classes if the student attends at least one day of class for each course in which that student’s enrollment status was determined for Federal Pell Grant eligibility. In a distance education context, documenting that a student has logged into an online class is not sufficient, by itself, to demonstrate academic attendance by the student. A school must demonstrate that a student participated in class or was otherwise engaged in an academically related activity, such as by contributing to an online discussion or initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a course-related question.

South Texas College documents attendance for Federal Pell Grant purposes by collecting on-line rosters from all instructors after census date. The instructors use the rosters to indicate whether a student has attended or not. Students must attend each class that they are enrolled in at least once between the first day of school and the census day of each term to be counted as being in attendance in that class for Federal Pell Grant eligibility purposes.

In cases where students do not attend class at least once, Federal Pell Grant eligibility will be adjusted based on the enrollment status for the number of credits that they are actually attending. If this adjustment results in a student not having sufficient grant funds to pay for any charges or advances that they have incurred or received, that student will be responsible to pay South Texas College for the difference between their adjusted eligibility and the original amount of the cost of their tuition and fees as well as any advances that the student received.

The U.S. Department of Education provides the following definition of attendance for financial aid purposes:
Attendance must be "academic attendance" or "attendance at an academically-related activity". Examples of this include:
• physically attending a class where there is an opportunity for direct interaction between the instructor and students,
• submitting an academic assignment,
• taking an exam, completing an interactive tutorial, or participating in computer-assisted instruction,
• attending a study group that is assigned by the school,
• participating in an online discussion about academic matters and
• initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a question about the academic subject studied in the course.

Examples of acceptable evidence of academic attendance and attendance at an academically-related activity in a distance education program include:
• student submission of an academic assignment,
• student submission of an exam,
• documented student participation in an interactive tutorial or computer-assisted instruction,
• a posting by the student showing the student’s participation in an online study group that is assigned by the institution,
• a posting by the student in a discussion forum showing the student’s participation in an online discussion about academic matters, and
• an e-mail from the student or other documentation showing that the student initiated contact with a faculty member to ask a question about the academic subject studied in the course.

Repeated Coursework
Beginning July 1, 2011, the U.S. Department of Education amended the definition of a full-time student to allow repeated coursework to count toward enrollment status in term-based programs:
• Students may only receive federal financial aid funding for one repetition of a previously passed course. That is, if a student passes a course with a low grade and wants to get a better grade to improve his GPA, he can retake the course once. If, after the student retakes the course, he wants to retake it again and his course load at the time is 12 credit hours, the student will not be considered to be attending full time; he will be considered to be attending 3/4 time and financial aid will be disbursed as such. This is for financial aid purposes only.
• Student may repeat failed course until it is passed.

Pell Grant Lifetime Eligibility Used
In December 2011, President Obama signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 (Public Law 112-74). Federal regulations mandate that effective July 1, 2012 students may only receive a Pell Grant for six years of full-time enrollment (equivalent to 12 semesters or 600%) during their lifetime. This change affects
all students regardless of when or where they received their first Pell Grant. The maximum amount of Pell Grant funding that a student may receive each year is equal to 100%, this is why the six-year equivalent is 600%. Students that have already used 600% of their Pell Grant eligibility will no longer be eligible to receive a Pell Grant starting summer 2012. There are no exceptions to this regulation. Students with 500% or higher but less than 600% may have limited Pell Grant eligibility remaining for the current year.

**Calculation of the percentage used**

The percentages are based on your annual award at fulltime enrollment status compared to the amount you actually receive in a given year. The amount of aid you receive each academic year is divided by the maximum annual award you are eligible for that year and your annual percentage is determined. Percentages from each year are added to calculate your Lifetime Eligibility Used (LEU). Here are some examples:

If your annual award at full time enrollment is $5775 and you received $5775 for the year, then you have received 100% of your award for that year.

If your annual award at full time enrollment is $3025 and you received $2269 for the year, then you have received 75% ($2269 divided by $3025 = 75%) of your award for that year.

If your annual award at full time enrollment is $5775 and you received $2166 for the year, then you have received 37.506% ($2166 divided by $5775 = 37.506%) of your award for that year.

If your annual award at full time enrollment is $5775 and you received $717 for the year, then you have received 12.416% ($717 divided by $5775 = 12.416%) of your award for that year.

Your annual percentages are added together to determine your Lifetime Eligibility Used. Once you reach 600% you are terminated from receiving any additional Pell grants.

**View and Review you Pell Grant Lifetime Eligibility Used**

The Department of Education keeps track of your LEU by adding together the percentages of your Pell Grant scheduled awards that you received for each award year. You can determine how much Pell you have used and what you have remaining at [www.NSLDS.ed.gov](http://www.NSLDS.ed.gov).

**Contact Information for Questions on Pell Grant Lifetime Eligibility Used**

South Texas College Financial Aid Staff are available to discuss Pell Grant Lifetime Eligibility Used and answer any questions you may have.

**Declining Pell Grant Funds**

You may decline all or part of your disbursement of Pell Grant funds that you are otherwise eligible to receive. You may wish to take this action if you expect to qualify for a larger Pell Grant in future years as a result of an expected transfer to a more expensive educational institution or an expected change in your expected family contribution. If you are going to return all or a portion of Pell Grant funds, you must deliver to our Student Financial Services Department a signed, written statement clearly indicating that you are declining Pell Grant funds for which you are otherwise eligible and that you understand that those funds may not be available once the award year is over.

**Returning Pell Grant Funds**

You may return all or a portion of Pell Grant funds that you are otherwise eligible to receive, as long as this action is taken during the same award year. You must deliver to our Student Financial Services Department a signed, written statement clearly indicating that you are returning Pell Grant funds for which you are otherwise eligible and that you understand that those funds may not be available once the award year is over. After the statement is submitted, you will then need to return the funds directly to the South Texas College Cashiers Office.

**Developmental Coursework Limitation**

The U.S. Department of Education provided the following guidelines to schools on how developmental courses may be funded. (Please note that the information in this catalog only pertains to the developmental coursework limitation and a student must satisfy all U. S. Department of Education, State of Texas and South Texas College eligibility requirements to be eligible for Financial Assistance). A student may receive Federal Aid for up to one academic year’s worth of developmental coursework. At community colleges, the limit is 30 semester hours. The Financial Aid office complies with this requirement by reviewing all student records after the Census day of each semester to see if any students are scheduled to receive financial aid for a developmental course when they have already attempted 10 or more courses.

Any Pell Grant award made to a student who is scheduled to receive aid for the 11th or greater developmental course attempt will be recalculated without considering the developmental course in the student’s enrollment status.

**Example:**

If a student is enrolled in a total of 12 credit hours, three of which are from his/her 11th developmental course attempt, his/her Federal Pell Grant award will be recalculated based on nine credit hours instead of 12 credit hours.

**Unusual Enrollment History**

Beginning award year 2013-2014 and forward, the U.S. Department of Education has established new regulations to prevent fraud and abuse in the Federal Pell Grant Program by identifying students with unusual enrollment histories. The U.S. Department of Education will be placing an unusual enrollment flag on some of the Free Applications for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
which indicates that the student has an unusual enrollment history with regard to receiving Pell Grants at multiple institutions. The Student Financial Services Department is required to review the student’s enrollment and financial aid record to determine if, during the past three award years (2012-2013, 2013-2014, and 2014-2015), the student has legitimate reasons for the unusual enrollment history. Our department will identify and contact the students who will be required to resolve this before determining Federal Student Aid eligibility.

Resolving Unusual Enrollment History
You will be required to provide academic transcripts from all colleges and universities attended during the review period to South Texas College. The institution will determine whether academic credit was earned at each of the previously attended institutions during the past three award years (2012-2013, 2013-2014, and 2014-2015). Academic credit earned is considered to have been earned if the academic records show that you received a grade of “A”, “B”, “C”, or “D” as listed in the Grading System Section of the South Texas College Catalog. If you did not earn academic credit at each of the previously attended institutions during the past three award years, you may be ineligible for further Federal Student Aid. The South Texas College Student Financial Services Department has the authority to require official transcripts from the colleges and universities attended during the review period if the documents that you submitted are unclear.

Appealing an Ineligibility Determination
You will be asked to contact our Student Financial Services Department so that you may provide a statement explaining why you failed to earn academic credit and any additional supporting documentation.

If eligibility is approved, you will be required to meet with an academic advisor and a financial aid representative; you must not drop or withdraw (officially or unofficially) from any courses after the term begins and must maintain FA satisfactory academic progress.

If you did not earn academic credit at each of the previously attended institutions during the past three award years and are not able to provide an acceptable explanation and documentation for the unusual enrollment history, you are ineligible for further Federal Student Aid.

All decisions made by the South Texas College Student Financial Services Department are final.

FEDERAL WORK-STUDY
The Federal Work-Study Program provides jobs for undergraduate and graduate students with financial need, allowing them to earn money to help pay education expenses. The program encourages community service work and work related to your course of study. The duration of employment under the Federal Work Study Program is from September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. The prospective work-study student must go through an interview process with Work Study employers and he/she must obtain a position to earn the funds for which he/she is eligible for. The work-study student may or may not earn all the funds that he/she was eligible to receive. Once funds have been exhausted employment will end.

Eligibility Determination
- Student must be registered for at least 6 credit hours
- Student must have unmet need
- Student must have his/her Financial Aid File complete
- Student must be meeting Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress
- Student must submit a completed Work Study Application

Additional Information
- For academic reasons, student workers are only allowed to work a maximum of Nineteen hours. The total number of hours worked is determined by the student’s financial need each award year. Student workers may not earn more than they are awarded, and it will be their responsibility to ensure they do not exceed their award amount.
- Student workers are paid slightly above federal minimum hourly wages. South Texas College will pay student directly at least once a month.
- The Student worker will be paid by the hour, no commission or fee may be paid to a work study student.
- The number of Work Study positions available per year for the college is determined by the Federal and State Work Study allocations from the U.S. Department of Education and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board respectively every award year.
- South Texas College offers Student workers positions on-campus and off-campus. The Student worker may be assigned to work at any of the South Texas College campuses. If a Student worker is assigned to work off-campus, his/her employer will be a private nonprofit organization of a public agency, and the work performed must be in the public interest.

TEXAS GRANT (TOWARDS, EXCELLENCE, ACCESS AND SUCCESS)
The Texas Grant was established by the Texas Legislature to help well-prepared high school graduates with financial need attend public institutions of higher education in Texas.

*Note: Beginning with academic year 2014-2015, South Texas College will no longer offer initial Texas Grant and only students who previously received their initial award at a 2-year institution will continue to be awarded until grant restrictions are met.

Grant Restrictions
Students receiving Texas grant who continue in college and who meet the program academic standards can receive award for up to 150 semester credit hours, completion of a first bachelor’s degree, or for five years if enrolled in a 4-year degree plan, or six years if enrolled in a 5-year degree plan, whichever comes first.
**Academic Requirements**
The academic requirements for maintaining eligibility are as follows:
- Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Completion of at least 24 semester credit hours per academic year

**TEXAS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT PROGRAM (TEOG)**
The TEOG Grant is a grant that was established by the Texas Legislature to help students with financial need attend public community colleges, public technical colleges, or public state colleges in Texas.

**Eligibility**
To determine if you are eligible for a TEOG Grant you must complete and submit a FAFSA (or TASFA for state residents only) and have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) less than or equal to 5088. Funding is limited and priority is given to students who submitted an application prior to March 15, 2015 even though applications are accepted throughout the academic year.

Other requirements include:
- You must be a Texas Resident
- Enrolled in at least half time (6 semester credit hours),
- Be in the first 30 semester credit hours in an associate's degree or certificate program at a public two-year institution in Texas
- Have not been granted an associate's degree or bachelor's degree
- If male must register with Selective Service
- Have not been convicted of a felony or crime involving a controlled substance
  - An individual convicted of a crime involving a controlled substance can compete for an award in this program two years after he/she has fulfilled his/her obligation to society.

**Grant Restrictions**
Students receiving TEOG who continue in college and who meet the program academic standards can receive an award for up to 75 semester credit hours, for four years, or until completion of an associate's degree, whichever comes first.

**Academic Requirements**
The academic requirements for maintaining eligibility are as follows:
- Meet South Texas College's Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress (see page 70)

End of Initial Year
- Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- 75% completion of hours attempted for the academic year

**Fund Disbursements**
South Texas College will credit TEOG funds to your school account to pay for tuition, fees and other school related costs which appear on your student account (institutional charges). If you are eligible for funds in excess of your institutional charges, after completing eligibility verification South Texas College will pay you the difference through your preferred refund method. Book allowance and final refund release dates are provided to students before the start of each semester; they are published at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/book_allowances.html.

**TEXAS PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL GRANT (TPEG)**
The Texas Public Educational Grant (TPEG) is a grant that was established by the Texas Legislature to help students with financial need attend public community colleges, public technical colleges, or public state colleges in Texas. The TPEG does not have to be repaid like student loans.

**Award Amounts**
The Office of Student Financial Services will award a student TPEG funds by semester. There is no guarantee every eligible student will be able to receive a TPEG; students at South Texas College are awarded based on the availability of funds. TPEG funds are awarded by semester.

**Eligibility Requirements**
There is no additional application to apply for this grant besides the FAFSA. Students must be meeting eligibility requirements below:
- Have financial need,
- Have a high school diploma or a General Education Development (GED) Certificate,
- Register with the Selective Services, If required,
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen,
- Have a valid Social Security Number,
- Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a regular student working toward a degree or certificate in an eligible program,
- Meet the standards of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (FA SAP),
- Be registered and attending at least 6 credit hours in a Fall and/or Spring semester and/or 3 credit hours in Summer Session I, II or III.

This grant is available for:
- For residents, nonresidents or foreign students,
- For undergraduates or graduates,
- For students attending public colleges in Texas.

**After funds are awarded**
South Texas College will credit TPEG funds to your school account to pay for tuition, fees and other school related costs which appear on your student account (institutional charges). If you are eligible for funds in excess of your institutional charges, after completing eligibility verification South Texas College will pay you the difference directly by mailing you a check. These TPEG funds will be released to you as a final refund; final refund release dates are provided to students before the start of each semester; they are published at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/book_allowances.html

**STATE AID FOR HOUSE BILL 1403/ SENATE BILL 1528 STUDENTS**
House Bill 1403 was passed in 2001 by the 77th Texas Legislature; this bill was later replaced in 2005 by Senate Bill 1528. Any individual (including...
students, permanent residents, visa holders, and undocumented immigrants) who has lived a significant amount of time in Texas may be eligible to be considered a resident for the purpose of paying in-state tuition. Each bill was codified into the Texas Education Code TEC 54.052 through 54.056.

Texas Education Code 54.052 through 54.056

Students who qualify as residents under Texas Education Code 54.052 through 54.056 may be eligible to receive financial aid in the form of state grants. For details on the residency requirements, please consult the Resident Status for Students section of this catalog. Students who feel that they should be considered residents under this policy should begin the process at the South Texas College Office of Admissions and Records.

Applying For State Aid
Students who are classified as Texas Residents by the Office of Admissions and Records and who are not eligible to receive federal funds (due to citizenship status) may apply for state aid using the Texas Application for Student Financial Aid. Please visit http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/SB1528.html for the application and program eligibility requirements.

STATE AID FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS

Texas Education Code 54.07 and 54.052(j)

Students who qualify as residents under Texas Education Code 54.07 and 54.052(j) may be eligible to receive Texas State Aid. For details on the requirements, please consult the Resident Status for Students sections of this catalog. Students who feel that they should be considered residents under this policy should begin the process at the South Texas College Office of Admissions and Records.

Non-Resident Texas Public Education Grant Funds

Non-Resident Texas Public Education Grant (TPEGNR) is a grant that is generated from funds that non-resident students pay through tuition and fees at South Texas College; it will only pay for tuition and fees. These funds are very limited and are set aside every year to award non-resident students. Non-Resident students may apply for a TPEGNR award by filling out a Non-Resident TPEG Request Form. These forms may be available each semester and contain detailed information on how to apply and the application deadlines. The forms can be requested at any Student Financial Services office.

TEXAS WORK-STUDY PROGRAM

The Texas Work-Study Program provides jobs for undergraduate and graduate students with financial need, allowing them to earn money to help pay education expenses. The program encourages community service work and work related to your course of study. The duration of employment under the Texas Work Study Program is from September 1, 2015 through May 31, 2016 for Award Year 2015-2016. The prospective work-study student must go through an interview process with Work Study employers and he/she must obtain a position to earn the funds for which he/she is eligible for. The work-study student may or may not earn all the funds that he/she was eligible to receive. Once funds have been exhausted employment will end.

Eligibility Determination

- Student must be registered for at least 6 credit hours
- Student must have unmet need
- Student must have his/her Financial Aid File complete
- Student must be meeting Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress
- Student must submit a completed Work Study Application

Additional Information

- For academic reasons, student workers are only allowed to work a maximum of Nineteen hours. The total number of hours worked is determined by the student’s financial need each award year. Student workers may not earn more than they are awarded, and it will be their responsibility to ensure they do not exceed their award amount.
- Student workers are paid slightly above federal minimum hourly wages. South Texas College will pay student directly at least once a month.
- The Student worker will be paid by the hour, no commission or fee may be paid to a work study student.
- The number of Work Study positions available per year for the college is determined by the Federal and State Work Study allocations from the U.S. Department of Education and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board respectively every award year.
- South Texas College offers Student workers positions on-campus and off-campus. The Student worker may be assigned to work at any of the South Texas College campuses. If a Student worker is assigned to work off-campus, his/her employer will be a private nonprofit organization of a public agency, and the work performed must be in the public interest.

STATE EXEMPTIONS AND WAIVERS

An exemption or a waiver is a payment of all or part of a student's tuition and fee bill. Effective Fall 2014, Senate Bill 1210 (83rd Texas Legislature, Regular Session) adds a Grade Point Average requirement for persons to receive continuation award with most (not all) state exemptions and waivers. The Bill also establishes a Limit to the Total Number of Hours, cumulative, that a student may take and continue to receive award with most (not all) state exemptions and waivers. Texas Education Code: TEC 54.014 South Texas College will be implementing a 2.0 Grade Point Average requirement for exemptions and waivers impacted by this legislation. The following are some examples of state exemptions and waivers; information is courtesy of collegeforalltexas.com.

ADOPTED STUDENTS FORMERLY IN FOSTER OR OTHER RESIDENTIAL CARE

To provide college financial assistance to students who once were in foster or other residential care and have been adopted.
Eligibility
For students who were in foster or other residential care, were adopted, and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement under Subchapter D, Chapter 162, Texas Family Code.

Award Amount
Tuition and fees for courses for which the college receives tax support.

Applying for Exemption
Provide the college registrar written proof, from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS), of eligibility. To obtain a letter of eligibility from TDFPS, contact a representative in one of the district offices:

BLIND/DEAF STUDENT EXEMPTION PROGRAM
To help enable blind and deaf students to attend public colleges or universities in the state of Texas.

Eligibility
Students must be Texas residents, declare a program of study at the time he/she applies for the exemption, provide certification from the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services of status as a blind person or a deaf person, enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its costs)

Award Amount
All dues, fees, and enrollment charges whatsoever for which exemptions may be lawfully made, including: fees for correspondence courses, general property deposit fees, and student service fees; but, does not include fees or charges for lodging, board, or clothing. No funds may be used to pay tuition for continuing education classes for which the college receives no state tax support.

Applying for Exemption
Provide the registrar with certification from the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services of status as a blind person or a deaf person, enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its costs)

CHILDREN OF DISABLED OR DECEASED FIREMEN, PEACE OFFICERS, GAME WARDENS, AND EMPLOYEES OF CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
Provide a benefit to the children of eligible persons who have been killed in the line of duty prior to September 1, 2000, or who have been disabled in the line of duty.

Eligibility
Apply before the person's 21st birthday or, if the person is eligible to participate in a school district's special education program under section 29.003, age 22; Had a parent who was a paid or volunteer fireman, paid municipal, county, or state peace officer, or a custodial employee of the Texas Department of Corrections, or a game warden. Are the child of a parent who suffered an injury, resulting in disability or death, sustained in the line of duty. Enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its costs). A person may receive an exemption from the payment of tuition and fees only for the first 120 undergraduate semester credit hours for which he or she registers or age 26, whichever comes first.

Award Amount
Exemption from the payment of tuition and required fees for the first 120 undergraduate semester credit hours for which a person registers. No funds may be used to pay tuition for continuing education classes for which the college receives no state tax support.

Application Process
Obtain a sample certification letter from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Have parent's prior employer complete the sample letter on official letterhead. Submit the letter to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. In the case of a disability, also submit to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a doctor's statement that certifies the disability. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board will notify the college or university of the student's eligibility.

MILITARY: CHILDREN OF U.S. MILITARY WHO ARE MISSING IN ACTION OR PRISONERS OF WAR (MIA/POWS)
To provide an education benefit to the children of persons listed as Missing in Action or Prisoners of War by the U.S. Department of Defense.

Eligibility
Are Texas residents; Are 21 years of age or younger, or 25 years of age or younger and receiving most of his/her support from a parent; Have documentation from the Department of Defense that a parent, who is classified as a Texas resident, is missing in action or a prisoner of war; and Enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its costs). New requirements Fall, 2014 Senate Bill 1210 (83rd Texas Legislature, Regular Session) adds a Grade Point Average requirement for persons to receive continuation awards through the program. The also establishes a Limit to the Total Number of Hours, cumulative, that a student may take and continue to receive awards through this program.

Award Amount
Tuition, service fees, lab fees, building use fees, and all other fees except room, board or clothing fees, or deposits in the nature of security for the return or proper care of property. No funds may be used to pay tuition for continuing education classes for which the college receives no state tax support.
Application Process
Contact the Office of Student Financial Services for additional information on this exemption.

FIREFIGHTERS TAKING FIRE SCIENCE COURSES
To encourage persons employed as fire fighters or active members of volunteer fire departments to take college courses designed to help them in their work.

Eligibility
Employed as a paid fire fighter by a political subdivision of the State of Texas or active members of volunteer fire departments who hold an accredited advanced certification (or the equivalent), under the State Firemen’s and Fire Marshal’s Association of Texas volunteer certification program, OR a Phase V (Firefighter II) certification (or the equivalent) under the Texas Commission of Fire Protection’s volunteer certification program under Section 419.071, Govt Code. Enroll in courses offered as part of a Fire Science Curriculum. Enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its costs).

Award Amount
Tuition and laboratory fees for courses offered as part of a fire science curriculum. No funds may be used to pay tuition for continuing education classes for which the college receives no state tax support. To receive continuation awards, a firefighter (paid or volunteer) must meet the institution’s financial aid academic progress requirements. The exemption may not be applied to additional tuition charged to an undergraduate student with excess or repeated hours under TEC. 54.014(a) or (f), or the additional tuition charged to a graduate student with excess hours under TEC. 61.0590(1)(1) or (2).

Application Process
Provide the Office of Student Financial Services proof of employment as a paid fire fighter, and enroll in the courses of a Fire Science Curriculum.

HAZLEWOOD EXEMPTION & LEGACY ACT
The Hazlewood Act is a State of Texas benefit that provides qualified Veterans, spouses, and dependent children with an education benefit of up to 150 hours of tuition exemption, including most fee charges, at public institutions of higher education in Texas. This does NOT include living expenses, books, or supply fees.

Eligibility
At the time of entry into the U.S. Armed Forces, designated Texas as Home of Record; or entered the service in Texas; or was a Texas resident; Have received an honorable discharge or separation or a general discharge under honorable conditions as Indicated on the Veteran’s Certificate of Release or Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214, member 4 copy); Served at least 181 days of active duty service (excluding training); Have no federal Veteran’s education benefits, or have no federal Veterans education benefits dedicated to the payment of tuition and fees only (such as Chapter 33 or 31; Pell and SEOG are not relevant) for term or semester enrolled that do not exceed the value of Hazlewood benefits; Not be in default on a student loan made or guaranteed by the State of Texas; and Enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its cost), unless the college’s governing board has ruled to let Veterans receive the benefit while taking non-funded courses; and meet the GPA and excessive hour requirement of the institution’s satisfactory academic progress policy in a degree or certificate as determined by the institution’s financial aid policy.

Veterans who are granted their first Hazlewood Act exemption beginning fall, 2011 must reside in Texas during the semester or term for which the exemption is claimed. This requirement does not apply to the Veterans who either received the exemption prior to the 2011-2012 academic year, have reenlisted into active duty, or reside with a spouse who is on active duty. Residency must be verified each term that a student applies for the exemption. The applicant will do this by presenting any document with the veteran’s current address within 30 days of application.

Applying for Exemption
Apply and be accepted to a Texas public college or university of his/her choice. Provide proof (DD214, Member 4 copy) from the Department of Defense regarding military service and the nature of discharge; Provide proof of eligibility or ineligibility for GI Bill benefits (Chapter 31, 33/Post-9/11) by requesting an education benefits letter from the VA office in Muskgogee, OK at (888) 442-4551 or www.gibill.va.gov; or requesting a certificate of eligibility from federal education benefits from eBenefits (if Veteran has active duty service after 9/11/2001). An application must be submitted at the beginning of each term.

Fill out the Hazlewood Exemption application form found at Texas Veteran Commission (http://www.tvc.texas.gov/Hazlewood-Act.aspx); and, turn in the Hazlewood application form, a copy of your letter of eligibility/ineligibility, Hazlewood Student hours, and a copy of your DD214 (Member 4) into the financial aid office of the institution you will be attending.

Legacy Act (Child)
Eligible Veterans may assign unused hours of exemption eligibility to a child under certain conditions. A child must qualify for resident tuition; be the biological child, stepchild, adopted child, or claimed as a dependent in the current or previous tax year; be 25 years old or younger on the first day of the semester or term for which the exemption is claimed (unless granted an extension due to a qualifying illness or debilitating condition); and meet the GPA and excessive hour requirements of the Institution’s satisfactory academic progress policy in a degree or certificate program as determined by the institution’s financial aid policy. Legacy recipients will receive an exemption for the number of degree certified hours reported by
the Institution for that term or semester. Maximum degree certified hours awarded to the Legacy recipient will be dependent upon the degree or certificate program in which the student is enrolled for that term or semester and shall be consistent with the program as defined within the school catalog as approved by the regional accreditation commission. Make satisfactory academic progress in a degree, certificate, or continuing education program as determined by the institution. If a child to whom hours have been delegated fails to use all of the assigned hours, a Veteran may re-assign the unused hours that are available to another child. Only one child can use the Hazlewood Act at a time.

Legacy Act Application Process
A child (legacy recipient) of a Veteran must apply and be accepted to a Texas public college or university. Fill out the Hazlewood application form found at the Texas Veteran Commission (http://www.tvc.texas.gov/Hazlewood-Act.aspx), along with the Veteran filling out the Hazlewood application provide proof of eligibility or ineligibility for GI Bill® benefits (Chapter 31, 33/Post-9 11) by requesting an education benefits letter from the VA office in Muskogee, OK at (888) 442-4551 or www gibill.va.gov; or by requesting a certificate of eligibility for federal education benefits from eBenefits. (If Veteran has active duty service after 9/11/2001). You will need to create a username and password to request your certificate of eligibility; take application, letter of eligibility/ ineligibility (if needed), along with a copy of the Veteran’s DD214 (Member 4), to the Financial Aid Office of the institution you will be attending. Application and all supporting documentation must be received by the institution no later than the last day of class of a term in order to be evaluated for that semester or term.

Hazlewood Act for Spouse/Child
The Hazlewood Act is also extended to spouses and dependent children of eligible active duty, Texas National Guard, and Air National Guard Veterans who died in the line of duty or as a result of injury or illness directly related to military service, are missing in action, or who became totally disabled for purposes of employability as a result of a service-related injury or illness. Each child and spouse will receive a 150 credit hour exemption. Note: A child of a qualified Veteran who is not 100% disabled or has a service connected death may qualify for benefits under the Hazlewood Legacy Program

Eligibility
A spouse must be a spouse of a Veteran who, at the time of entry into the U.S. Armed Forces, was a Texas resident, be classified by the institution as a Texas resident, designated Texas as Home of Record, or entered the service in Texas; Be a spouse of a Veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, Texas National Guard, or Texas Air National Guard who died as a result of service-related injuries or illness, is missing in action, or became totally disabled (100%) as a result of a service-related injury or illness or is entitled to receive compensation at the 100% rate due to individual employability (IU) due to a service connected injury or illness; have no federal Veterans education benefits, or have federal Veterans education benefits dedicated to the payment of tuition and fees only (such as Chapter 33 or 31; Pell and SEOG are not relevant) for term or semester enrolled that do not exceed the value of Hazlewood benefits; meet the GPA and excessive hour requirements of the institution’s satisfactory academic progress policy In a degree certificate program as determined by the institution’s financial aid policy. This requirement does not apply to the spouse of a MIA, KIA or service connected deceased Veteran.

A child must be a child of a Veteran who, at the time of entry into the U.S. Armed Forces, be classified by the institution as a Texas resident, designated Texas as Home of Record, or entered the service in Texas; be a child of a Veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, Texas National Guard, or Texas Air National Guard who died as a result of service-related injuries or illness, is missing in action, or became totally disabled (100%) as a result of a service-related injury or illness or is entitled to receive compensation at the 100% rate due to individual employability (IU) due to a service connected injury or illness; have no federal Veterans education benefits, or have federal Veterans education benefits dedicated to the payment of tuition and fees only (such as Chapter 33 or 31; Pell and SEOG are not relevant) for term or semester enrolled that do not exceed the value of Hazlewood benefits; meet the GPA and excessive hour requirements of the institution’s financial and policy. This requirement does not apply to the child of a MIA, KIA, or service connected Veteran.

Application process for Spouse/Child
A spouse or child of a Veteran whose death was service connected, Is MIA or is/was 100% permanently disabled must apply and be accepted to a Texas public college or university. Provide a DD-214 and a disability rating letter or a DD-1300 Report of Casualty regarding the Veteran’s death; provide proof of eligibility or Ineligibility for GI Bill® benefits (Chapter 31, 33/Post-9 11) by requesting an education benefits letter from the VA office in Muskogee, OK at (888) 442-4551 or www gibill.va.gov; or by requesting an educational benefits letter from the VA at eBenefits. (If Veteran has active duty service after 9/11/2001). You will need to create a username and password to request your certificate of eligibility. Fill out the Hazlewood Exemption application form found at Texas Veteran Commission (http://www.tvc.texas.gov/Hazlewood –Act.aspx). Take applications, letter of eligibility / ineligibility (if needed), along with a copy of the Veteran’s DD214 (Member 4), to the financial aid office of the institution you will be attending. Applications and all supporting documentation must be received by the Institution no later than the last day of class of a term in order to be evaluated for that semester or term.
EXEMPTION FOR HIGHEST RANKING HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE
To provide an award to students graduating top in their classes in high school.

Eligibility
Texas residents, nonresidents, or foreign students; Graduate from an accredited high school in the State of Texas; and Graduate with the highest ranking in their high school.

Award Amount
Tuition during both semesters of the first regular session immediately following the student's high school graduation.* Fees are not covered. No funds may be used to pay tuition for continuing education classes for which the college receives no state tax support.*This exemption may be granted for any one of the first four regular sessions following the individual's graduation from high school when in the opinion of the institution's president the circumstances of an individual case, including military service, merit the action.

Applying for Exemption
Students must provide a copy of the certificate received from the high school confirming the highest ranking to the Office of Student Financial Services.

EXEMPTION FOR PEACE OFFICERS DISABLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY
To provide a benefit to persons who were injured in the line of duty while serving as Peace Officers.

Eligibility
Are Texas residents, Enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its costs). A person may not receive an exemption under this section if the person is enrolled in a master's degree program or is attending postgraduate courses to meet the requirements of a master's degree program and the person has previously received a master's degree and received an exemption under this section for a semester or session while attending a postgraduate course to meet the requirements of the master's degree program. A person may not receive an exemption under this section if the person is enrolled in a doctoral degree program or is attending postgraduate courses to meet the requirements of a doctoral degree program and the person has previously received a doctoral degree and received an exemption under this section for a semester or session while attending a postgraduate course to meet the requirements of the doctoral degree program. A person may not receive an exemption under this section for more than 12 semesters or sessions while the person is enrolled in an undergraduate program or while the person is attending only undergraduate courses. No funds may be used to pay tuition for continuing education classes for which the college receives no state tax support.

Applying for Exemption
The disabled peace officer must work directly with the registrar of the public institution of higher education and submit satisfactory evidence of his/her status as a disabled peace officer as required by that institution.

EXEMPTION FOR PEACE OFFICERS ENROLLED IN LAW ENFORCEMENT OR CRIMINAL JUSTICE COURSES
Program Purpose
To encourage persons employed as peace officers to take college courses designed to help them in their work.

Eligibility
Employed as a Peace Officer by the state of Texas or by a political subdivision of Texas. Enrolled as an undergraduate in an undergraduate program, including certificate, associate and baccalaureate degrees leading to a law enforcement-related or criminal justice certificate or degree. Enroll in classes beginning fall 2011 or later. Enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its costs). Making satisfactory academic progress toward the student's degree as determined by the institution. Apply for the exemption at least one week before the last date of the institution's regular registration period for the applicable semester or other term. Have not previously attempted a number of semester credit hours for courses taken at any Texas public institution of higher education while classified as a resident student for tuition purposes in excess of the maximum number specified in TEC Section 61.0595 (a) (30 hours beyond the degree requirement). To receive a continuation award, the police officer must meet the institution's financial aid academic progress requirements.

Award Amount
Tuition and laboratory fees for courses offered as part of a law enforcement-related or criminal justice curriculum which pertain to the major requirements of the identified programs are eligible for reimbursement. Courses not directly related to law enforcement or criminal justice are not eligible for reimbursement even though they may be required for completion of the certificate or degree. No funds may be used to pay tuition for continuing education classes for which the college receives no state tax support.

Application Process
Provide the Office of Student Financial Services proof of employment as a paid police officer, and enroll in the courses of a law enforcement or criminal justice curriculum.
EXEMPTION FOR STUDENTS UNDER CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE DEPT. OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Program Purpose
To provide college financial assistance to students who were in foster care when they turned 18 years of age.

Eligibility
As of spring 2010 a student is exempt from the payment of tuition and fees authorized in this chapter, including tuition and fees charged by an institution of higher education for a dual credit course or other course for which a high school student may earn joint high school and college credit, if the student: was under the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services; on the day preceding the student's 18th birthday; or on or after the day of the student's 14th birthday, if the student was also eligible for adoption on or after that day; or on the day the student graduated from high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma; or on the day preceding the date the student is adopted, if that date is on or after September 1, 2009; or the date permanent managing conservatorship of the student is awarded to a person other than the student’s parent, if that date is on or after September 1, 2009; during an academic term in which the student was enrolled in a dual credit course or other course for which a high school student may earn joint high school and college credit; AND enrolls in an institution of higher education as an undergraduate student or in a dual credit course or other course for which a high school student may earn joint high school and college credit not later than the student’s 25th birthday.

Award Amount
Tuition and fees for courses for which the college receives tax support; however, once a student has been determined eligible for the benefit, the benefit continues indefinitely.

Applying for Exemption
Provide the Office of Student Financial Services written proof, from the Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS), of eligibility.

OTHER EXEMPTIONS & WAIVERS
- Exemption Program for Clinical Preceptors and Their Children
- Concurrent Enrollment Waiver (Enrollment in Two Texas Community Colleges)
- TAPS for Tuition Program
- Waiver for College Faculty and their Dependents
- Economic Development and Diversification Waiver
- Waiver of Nonresident Tuition for Foreign Service Officers stationed in Mexico Attending Public Institutions of Higher Education in Texas
- Spouse and Dependents Who Previously Lived in Texas
- NATO Forces
- Research Assistants and Teaching Assistants Waiver

STUDENT LOANS
South Texas College provides Alternative Education Loans through the Hinson-Hazlewood College Access Loan Program administered by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) and Sallie Mae Undergraduate Smart Option Loan. These loans are intended for educational expenses. South Texas College does not participate in any type of Federal Title IV student loan program. Therefore, Direct and FFEL Stafford Loans and Federal Perkins Loans are not an option at this institution.

COLLEGE ACCESS LOAN
The College Access Loan (CAL) Program provides an alternative type of educational loan to Texas students. Applicants do not have to demonstrate financial need and the loan may be used to cover all or part of a student’s Cost of Attendance minus any financial aid received.

Eligibility Requirements
- Be a Texas resident
- Be enrolled in a course of study leading to a certificate, associate’s or higher degree at least half-time
- Meet satisfactory academic progress requirements set by the institution
- Receive a favorable credit evaluation or provide a cosigner who has good credit standing and meets other requirements. Please refer to www.hhloans.com for further information about eligible cosigners.

For information on the College Access Loan (CAL) you may contact the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board at 1-800-242-3062 or www.hhloans.com.

SALLIE MAE SMART OPTION LOAN
The Sallie Mae Smart Option Student Loan is a private student loan that is offered to undergraduates and managed by Sallie Mae Inc. Find out more at www.salliemae.com

Loan Request Deadline
All loans offered by South Texas College have a deadline for requesting school certification set by the Office of Student Financial Services. The deadline is by census date (12th class day) for the semester in which the loan is being requested by the student. The Office of Student Financial Services must receive your completed loan application by the close of the business day on the census date in order to certify the loan for the semester that is being requested.

Transfer Students With Federal Loans
Even though South Texas College does not participate in any federal loan programs, it is possible to postpone repayment of your loan from another school. Under certain circumstances, you can receive a deferment or forbearance on your loan which will allow payments to be temporarily suspended on your loan.
If you are temporarily unable to meet your repayment schedule but are not eligible for a deferment, you may receive a forbearance for a limited and specified period. During forbearance, your payments are postponed or reduced. Whether your loans are subsidized or unsubsidized, you will be charged interest. If you don’t pay the interest as it accrues, it will be capitalized. If you are unsure if your situation will allow you to qualify for forbearance, contact your loan servicer and speak with a customer representative about being unable to stay on track with payments. All loan servicers are there to help you avoid default which may cause you more economic hardship in the future.

Deferments and forbearances are not automatic. If you have a Direct Stafford Loan, you must contact the Direct Loan Servicing Center to request either option.

If you have a FFEL Stafford Loan, you must contact the lender or agency that holds your loan. For either program, you may have to provide documentation to support your request. You must continue making scheduled payments until you receive notification that the deferment or forbearance has been granted.

**VETERANS EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS**

South Texas College is approved for training veterans under the provisions of the various public laws commonly called the G.I. Bill®. A veteran with entitlement may receive a monthly check varying in amount with his/her course load. A veteran eligible for Chapter 33 the following may be available: A tuition and fee payment that is paid to your school on your behalf, monthly housing allowance, and annual books and supplies stipend. A spouse or child of a veteran may receive benefits under certain conditions.

Veterans or their families who think they may be eligible for benefits should contact their local Veterans Administration office or the STC Veteran Affairs office. Please visit the Veteran Affairs office or call 1-888-442-4551.

Students receiving VA educational benefits must adhere to the V.A. Satisfactory Progress Standards. More information on these standards is available from the Office of Student Financial Services.

**Chapter 33 Post-9/11 GI Bill**

If you have at least 90 days of aggregate active duty service after Sept. 10, 2001, and are still on active duty, or if you are an honorably discharged Veteran or were discharged with a service-connected disability after 30 days, you may be eligible for this VA-administered program. If you are eligible for the Post 9-11 GI Bill® and any other GI Bill® program you must make an irrevocable election of the Post 9/11 GI Bill® before you can receive any benefits. For more information visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/post911_gibill.asp

**Chapter 30 Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty (MGIB-AD)**

The MGIB-AD program—commonly known as Chapter 30—provides education benefits to Veterans and Service members who have at least two years of active duty. For more information visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/mgib_ad.asp

**Chapter 1606 Montgomery GI Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR)**

The MGIB-SR program provides education and training benefits to eligible members of the Selected Reserve, including the Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve and Coast Guard Reserve, and the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard. Eligibility for this program is determined by the Selected Reserve components and VA makes the payments. For more information visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/mgib_sr.asp

**Chapter 1607 Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP)**

REAP provides educational assistance to members of the Reserve components called or ordered to active duty in response to a war or national emergency declared by the president or Congress. For more information visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/reap.asp. The National Defense Authorization Act of 2016 ended REAP on November 25, 2015. Some individuals will remain eligible for REAP benefits until November 25, 2019, while others are no longer eligible for REAP benefits.

**Chapter 35 Survivors and Dependent Assistance**

The Dependents’ Educational Assistance (DEA) program offers education and training opportunities to eligible dependents of Veterans who are permanently and totally disabled due to a service-related condition or of Veterans who died while on active duty or as a result of a service-related condition. For more information visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/survivor_dependent_assistance.asp

**Fry Scholarship**

The Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship is currently available for children of those who died in the line of duty after September 10, 2001. Beginning January 01, 2015, Fry Scholarship will also be available for surviving spouses of those who died in the line of duty or as result of a service-related condition. For more information visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/survivor_dependent_assistance.asp

**Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation**

The Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VocRehab) program is authorized by Congress under Title 38 of the United States Code, Chapter 31. It is sometimes referred to as the Chapter 31 program. VocRehab helps Service members and Veterans with service-connected disabilities prepare for, find, and maintain suitable careers. For more information visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/index.asp
Tuition Assistance
The Tuition Assistance (TA) program provides financial assistance for voluntary off-duty education programs in support of a Soldier's professional and personal self-development goals. TA is available for courses that are offered in the classroom or by distance learning. The courses must be offered by schools that are registered in GoArmyEd and are accredited by accrediting agencies that are recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. For more information visit https://www.goarmyed.com/public/public_money_for_college-tuition_assistance.aspx

Hazlewood Act
The Hazlewood Act is a State of Texas benefit that provides qualified Veterans, spouses, and dependent children with an education benefit of up to 150 hours of tuition exemption, including most fee charges, at public institutions of higher education in Texas. This does NOT include living expenses, books, or supply fees. For more information visit http://www.tvc.texas.gov/Hazlewood-Act.aspx?CFID=8323622&CFTOKEN=59362141

SCHOLARSHIPS
Each year, a number of individuals, organizations and companies provide scholarships that are available to students attending STC. The amount and criteria for these awards will vary. These scholarships are advertised when available, and eligible students may apply at that time. Information is available online at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/

A scholarship is a type of gift aid awarded to a student based on a set of pre-established criteria decided by the donor. Each year a number of individuals, organizations and companies provide scholarships that are available to students attending South Texas College. Although all scholarships have a variety of eligibility requirements, this pre-established criteria generally determines whether a scholarship falls within the category of merit based, need based, or a combination of both. Since not all scholarships are need based, all students can benefit from searching and applying for scholarships. These scholarships are advertised when available, and eligible students may apply by the designated deadline. Students are encouraged to periodically check the availability of scholarships online at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/

The following information including eligibility requirements, amounts, and scholarship availability is subject to change.

Top 10% Scholarship Program
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based & Need Based
- Eligible Majors: All Majors
- Award Amount: $1500 for Fall semester only
- Website: www.collegeforalltexas.com
- Eligibility Requirements: Initial Requirements-Texas Resident; registered with Selective Service (males only); have financial need; submit 2015-2016 FAFSA by March 15; graduated Recommended or Distinguished from an accredited high school in Texas within top 10% of graduating class

Texas Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (T-STEM) Challenge Scholarship
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based
- Eligible Majors: STEM Majors
- Award Amount: $2500/year
- Website: studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/
- Eligibility Requirements: High School graduate with 3.0 GPA in Math & Science High School Courses; under eligible TSTEM major; registered with Selective Service (males only); agree to work no more than 15hrs/week if working in a STEM field

STARS Scholarship
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based & Need Based
- Eligible Majors: All Majors
- Award Amount: Varies
- Website: www.starsscholarship.org
- Eligibility Requirements: Must have a 2.7 GPA; US Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident; be a permanent resident of South or West Texas; Must enroll Full-Time or Part-Time; HS diploma or GED

Stripes College Scholarship
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based
- Eligible Majors: All Majors
- Award Amount: $1000/year
- Website: www.stripesfoundation.com
- Eligibility Requirements: Must have a 2.5 GPA; US Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident; Must be a resident of a county serviced by Stripes Stores; Must enroll Full-Time in Fall & Spring Semesters

theDream.US
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based & Need Based
- Eligible Majors: All Majors
- Award Amount: Varies
- Website: theDream.US
- Eligibility Requirements: First time college students with less than 12 credit hours; High School graduate or GED with a cumulative 2.5 GPA; meet DACA eligibility criteria; have submitted Form I-821D, consideration of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) or received notification of DACA approval

Mission Economic Development Authority (MEDA) Scholarship
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based & Need Based
- Eligible Majors: All Majors
- Award Amount: $800/semester (full-time); $600/semester (9-11 hrs); $400/semester (6-8 hrs)
- Website: studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/meda.html
- Eligibility Requirements: Permanent resident of the City of Mission; must have earned at least 6 credit hours at South Texas College with a cumulative 2.5 GPA; US Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident
Gloria Kenison Memorial Scholarship
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based & Need Based
- Eligible Majors: Precision Manufacturing Technology
- Award Amount: up to $3000
- Website: [http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/](http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/)
- Eligibility Requirements: Must be a graduating senior from McAllen HS, McAllen Memorial HS, or Nikki Rowe HS; be enrolled Full-time at South Texas College and majoring in Precision Manufacturing Technology; minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA; must submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Precision Manufacturing Technology Scholarship
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based & Need Based
- Eligible Majors: Precision Manufacturing Technology
- Award Amount: $1000
- Website: [http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/](http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/)
- Eligibility Requirements: Must be enrolled Full-time at South Texas College and majoring in Precision Manufacturing Technology; minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA; must submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA); must be meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress

Grainger Tools for Tomorrow Scholarship
- Scholarship Type: Merit Based & Need Based
- Eligible Majors: Skilled Trades & Public Safety Majors
- Award Amount: $2000
- Eligibility Requirements: Must be enrolled Full-time at South Texas College; must be enrolled in an approved skills trades program or public safety program; must be within one year of graduating from a community college trade program or public safety program; must have a 3.0 GPA

THIRD PARTY PROGRAMS
Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS)
The Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) offers payment of tuition and other services to students who have certain physical disabilities. The Vocational Rehabilitation Division must approve the vocational objectives selected by the student before funds are awarded. Interested applicants should contact the nearest office of the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services.

Applying for DARS
To apply for VR services, call, write or visit the DARS Division for Rehabilitation Services office nearest you and request an appointment to meet with a counselor. If you need help in locating a DRS office in your area, you may call 1(800) 628-5115. When you contact the local office, please let us know if you need translator services or other accommodations for your appointment.

How much money can I get?
DARS covers tuition and fees, books and sometimes supplies up to an approved amount. The DARS issues purchase orders to the financial aid office with specified amounts for each student’s tuition and fees. The financial aid office cannot increase awards without written authorization from DARS. If a student withdraws or has any changes in fees, monies must be returned to DARS, a student is not eligible for any reimbursement.

Program Restrictions
A student cannot receive financial aid simultaneously with DARS funds. DARS requires that other aid must be awarded first. If in the event that a student completes or is eligible for any other aid, the DARS award will be cancelled, unless written authorization from DARS has been given.

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Workforce Solutions
WIA is the Workforce Investment Act, and its purpose is to provide workforce investment activities that increase the employment, retention, and earnings of participants. WIA programs are intended to increase occupational skills attainment by participants and improve the quality of the workforce, reduce welfare dependency, and enhance the productivity and competitiveness of the nation. WIA authorizes several job training programs including Adult Employment and Training Activities, Youth Activities, and Job Corps. Students interested in applying for WIA should contact their local WorkFORCE center.

Applying for WIA
Prior to enrollment at South Texas College a student should contact their local Workforce Solution Center to determine eligibility and types of assistance available to them.

Workforce Center Locations
North Hidalgo County
2719 W. University Drive, Edinburg, Texas 78539
Phone: (956) 380-0008, Fax: (956) 316-2626

Cameron County
601 East Harrison Avenue, Harlingen, Texas 78550
Phone: (956) 423-9266, Fax (956) 412-2199

West Hidalgo County
901 Travis St., Suite 7, Mission, Texas 78572
Phone: (956) 519-4300, Fax: (956) 519-4388

Willacy County
700 FM 3168, Raymondville, Texas 78580
Phone: (956) 689-3412, Fax: (956) 690-0285

Starr County
5408 Brand St. Ste. 1, Rio Grande City, Texas 78582
Phone: (956) 487-9100, Fax: (956) 487-9190

East Hidalgo County
1600 N. Westgate Ste. 400, Weslaco, Texas 78596
Phone: (956) 969-6100, Fax: (956) 969-6190
WIA Contracts
WIA covers tuition, fees, books, equipment, tools and uniforms up to an approved amount. The WIA contract also specifies a contract end date in which the student will not be awarded unless a modification has been received from WIA. A student who is approved under a program must be registered in courses that are on the degree plan. WIA does not cover developmental courses, repeat courses (unless approved by WIA) and courses not a part of the degree plan.

Award Disbursements
A student may receive financial aid and WIA funds. However, a student cannot receive VIDA and WIA at the same time because both are state funded grants. Any funds remaining will not be issued until after enrollment has been verified.

Eligible Majors
Interested students must be majoring in one of the following degrees in order to apply for the VIDA program.

One Year Certificate Programs
- Accounting Clerk
- Automotive Technology
- Computer Aided Drafting & Design Technology
- Computer Maintenance Technology
- Diesel Technology
- Electronic & Computer Maintenance Tech
- Electronic Servicing Tech
- EMT-Intermediate
- EMT-Paramedic
- Health Unit Coordination Tech
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration
- Import/Export
- Industrial Systems Maintenance Tech
- Medical Information Specialist
- Nursing-LVN
- Nursing-LVN/ADN Transition
- Precision Manufacturing
- Secretary

Two Year Associate Degree Programs
- Accounting
- Administrative Assistant
- Auto Technology
- Child Care & Development
- Communication Service Tech
- Computer Maintenance Tech
- Computer Support Specialist
- Diesel Tech
- E-Commerce
- Electronic Equipment & Computer Maintenance
- Electronic Semiconductor Tech
- EMT-Emergency Medical Technology
- Health & Human Services
- Health Information Tech
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration
- Import/Export
- Legal Assisting
- Legal Secretary
- Minicomputer Specialist
- Networking Specialist
- Nursing-RN
- Occupational Therapy assistant
- Pharmacy Technology
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Precision Manufacturing Tech
- Public Service Administration
- Radiologic Tech
- Webmaster Specialist

Valley Initiative For Development and Advancement (VIDA)
VIDA is a workforce development program designed to respond to the job training needs of the Rio Grande Valley’s Empowerment Zones. Participants of the program will be recruited and trained to qualify for higher paying jobs available in the Rio Grande Valley.

Long-term training (1-2 years) will be limited to targeted occupations with identified job openings. Customized training (less than 1 year) will be made available through a contractual partnering between VIDA, industry and local community colleges. Applications are available at VIDA satellite offices. Students needing more information on VIDA may contact the STC Financial Aid Office.

Eligible Majors
Interested students must be majoring in one of the following degrees in order to apply for the VIDA program.

One Year Certificate Programs
- Accounting Clerk
- Automotive Technology
- Computer Aided Drafting & Design Technology
- Computer Maintenance Technology
- Diesel Technology
- Electronic & Computer Maintenance Tech
- Electronic Servicing Tech
- EMT-Intermediate
- EMT-Paramedic
- Health Unit Coordination Tech
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration

COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS
Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan (formerly Texas Tomorrow Fund)
The Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan is a program that allows Texas families to lock in the cost of tomorrow’s college tuition and fees required as a condition of enrollment. For more information, contact the Texas tomorrow Fund/Texas
Guaranteed Tuition Plan at 1-800-445-GRAD or check with the Financial Aid office. If funds are available the TGTP covers only the following charges:

- Tuition
- Registration Fee
- Information Technology Fee
- Learning Support Fee

Note: Students are responsible to pay any other fees not covered by TGTP.

**Texas Tuition Promise Fund Plan**

The Texas Tuition Promise Fund is designed to help families and individuals prepay for all or some future tuition and required fees at any two- or four-year Texas public college or university. Account holders purchase Tuition Units, which represent a fixed amount of undergraduate resident tuition and required fees charged by Texas public colleges and universities. The number of units needed varies depending on the school, but generally 100 units represents 30 semester hours, which is considered to be one academic year. Texas Tuition Promise Fund covers only the following charges:

- Tuition
- Registration Fee
- Information Technology Fee
- Learning Support Fee

Note: Students are responsible to pay any other fees not covered by TTPFP.

**Who can open an account?**

Any U.S. citizen or legal resident 18 years and older can open an account, as long as the Beneficiary is a Texas resident. If the child is not a Texas resident, a parent must be the Purchaser and a resident of Texas. Charities that award scholarships may also open an account.

**Enrollment Period**

You may enroll in the Plan any time between Sept. 1 and Feb. 28 (Feb. 29 in leap years). Newborns can be enrolled through July 31 each year. Tuition rates are subject to change at the start of each Enrollment Period on Sept. 1. There is a three-year holding period before any units can be redeemed and the Tuition Units must be paid within the top 10% or with an 85 average or above, maintain a 3.25 GPA in any college course completed during high school, be TSI College Ready or TSI Exempt, and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid to South Texas College.

**Valley Scholars**

The purpose of the Valley Scholars Program is to recognize and promote academic excellence by providing financial assistance, academic support services, mentoring, and leadership development to academically gifted and highly motivated students. To be eligible for this scholarship, a student must be a graduate from an accredited Hidalgo or Starr County high school, graduate within the top 10% or with an 85 average or above, maintain a 3.25 GPA in any college course completed during high school, be TSI College Ready or TSI Exempt, and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid to South Texas College.

**AmeriCorps**

The AmeriCorps program provides full-time educational awards in return for work in community service. You can work before, during, or after your post-secondary education and you can use the funds either to pay current educational expenses or to repay federal student loans. Please go to www.americorps.gov and register in the online payments system.

**FINANCIAL AID SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS**

**Purpose and Scope**

Federal regulations mandate that a student receiving Financial Assistance under Title IV programs must maintain satisfactory academic progress in his/her course of study regardless of whether or not financial aid is awarded each semester. South Texas College’s Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy is applied consistently to all Financial Aid recipients within identifiable categories of students (such as full-time or part-time). Students pursuing a Certificate, Associate, or Bachelor degree are responsible for understanding and adhering to the financial aid satisfactory academic progress policy.

**Qualitative Standard**

Students will be expected to maintain the minimum academic standards as outlined in the Scholastic Progress Standards Section of the South Texas College Catalog. South Texas College uses a 4-point scale for grade point average (GPA), and requires students to have a 2.0 average after each semester.

**Quantitative Standard (Cumulative Pace of Progress)**

The quantitative standard is used to accurately measure a student’s progress in a program. There are two components of the quantitative standard:

1. **Cumulative Pace of Progress**

   Students must complete 67% of the total attempted hours at the end of each semester to meet the required pace of progress at South Texas College. You calculate the pace at which a student is progressing by dividing the total number of hours successfully completed or earned at the end of each semester by the total number of hours attempted at the end of each semester; if the result is greater than or equal to 67%, the student is meeting the requirement of pace of progression by semester. The chart below shows credit hour totals and the number of credits that must be completed to meet this requirement. Developmental remedial course work will be counted in the 67% calculation after each semester.
2. **Maximum Time Frame (MTF):** is the pace at which students must progress through their program of study to ensure that they will graduate within a maximum timeframe; students must complete their program of study within a period no longer than 150% of the published length of the program. This is measured by dividing the number of credit hours that the student has attempted by the number of credit hours that are required to complete the student’s program of study. If the student reaches 150 percent or if the result of the division is 1.50, then the student has reached Maximum Time Frame. The graph below contains three examples.

### Table: Total Attempted Hours vs. Required Hours

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Maximum Time Frame Rule = Total Attempted Hours / Program of Study Required Hours Completion

In the first example, the program of study requires 120 credit hours to graduate. The student has attempted 192 credit hours (192 / 120 = 1.52) and in this case the student is going over 1.50 percent, so student has reached the Maximum Time Frame. In the second example, the program of study requires 120 credit hours to graduate too but the student has attempted 179 credit hours (179 / 120 = 1.49); in this case student has not yet reached Maximum Time Frame. In the third example, the program of study requires 42 credit hours to graduate and the student has attempted 62 credit hours, (62 / 42 = 1.48); in this case, student has not reached Maximum Time Frame.

### Table: Completion Requirement Hours vs. Maximum Time Frame

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### DECEIVING MAXIMUM TIME FRAME APPEAL PROCESS

Students are expected to complete their degree/certificate within an acceptable maximum time frame. Financial aid recipients may continue to receive aid through 150 percent of the published credit length of the declared program of study, as explained in examples above. Students who reach 150 percent of their maximum time frame will be placed on Financial Aid Suspension. Students who are placed on Financial Aid Suspension because they reached their maximum time frame have the option to appeal, as long as they meet the following requirements:

- Be meeting the cumulative 2.0 GPA,
- Be meeting the 67% cumulative completion rate,
- Must graduate within the semester where Maximum Time Frame Appeal was submitted.
- Must provide degree plan signed by South Texas College Academic Advisor/Student Success Specialist.

### How are my grades evaluated under the FA Standards of Academic Progress?

- The student’s cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) must be a 2.0 or higher to satisfy the requirements of the qualitative standard of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Progress Policy.
- Grades of “A”, “B”, “C”, “D” and “P” will be considered credit hours attempted and earned.
- Grades of “F”, “W”, “WP”, “WF”, “DP”, “DF”, “IP”, or “I” will be considered as credit hours attempted for the semester for the 67% Pace of Progress Rule and for the MTF Rule.
- Students who withdraw from the college must still maintain Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress to meet the 67% Pace of Progress Rule and for the MTF Rule.

### What happens if I fail to meet the Financial Aid Standards of Academic Progress?

- Following the first semester in which the student does not meet the FA Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (except in cases where the student exceeds the Maximum Time Frame limit for the declared program of study), the student will be placed on financial aid warning for the next semester of enrollment. The student may be allowed to receive financial aid funds while on financial aid warning as long as they are otherwise eligible.
Students who are on financial aid warning and who improve their academic performance as defined by the qualitative and quantitative standards will be placed back in good standing and may be eligible to continue to receive financial aid for following semesters.

Students who are on financial aid warning who fail to meet the FA Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy will be placed on Financial Aid Suspension and denied further funding until they meet the qualitative and/or quantitative standards again.

Students who exhaust the Maximum Time Frame allowed for a program of study will be placed on financial aid suspension.

A student who successfully appeals a suspension status is placed on financial aid probation and eligible to receive Title IV aid for up to two semesters. The student’s record is reviewed after the first semester of financial aid probation. If the student has brought his cumulative GPA back up to a 2.0 and has also successfully completed 67% of the total number of credits attempted for the financial aid probation semester, he will be placed on financial aid warning. If the student completed 67% of the total number of credits but did not bring his cumulative GPA up to a 2.0 and the term GPA is less than a 2.0, the student is eligible for one additional semester of financial aid probation. If the term GPA is less than a 2.0 the student will be placed on financial aid suspension. This review of financial aid probation to students is done manually by a Financial Aid Representative. Students who are on financial aid probation are notified by email and regular mail of their status. Students are also required to provide a Financial Aid Academic Plan completely filled out where they will be given the expectations after a Financial Aid appeal has been approved.

APPEAL PROCESS

Students who are denied aid due to not meeting South Texas College’s Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy may appeal their suspension status by filling out a Financial Aid Appeal form and submitting it to the Student Financial Services Office. All Appeals must be based on extenuating circumstances such as illness, death in the family, accidents or other similar situations that affected the student’s academic performance. During the appeal process students must be prepared to pay their own tuition, fees, books, supplies, etc.

- Students who want to appeal their suspension status must:
  - Complete a Financial Aid Appeal form including the Financial Aid Academic Plan and include a written or typed statement explaining the extenuating circumstances that caused them to withdraw or fail and explain how their situation has changed.
  - Provide supporting documentation of the extenuating circumstance.
  - Students may check the status or decision of their financial aid appeal on their Jagnet account (active messages section) two weeks after it has been submitted (during peak registration time this process may take longer).

- All Appeals are reviewed by the Financial Aid Appeals Committee and Committee decisions are final.

- If a Financial Aid Appeal is approved the student will be placed on financial aid probation and expected to follow the Financial Aid Academic Plan. Failure to adhere to the conditions of the Financial Aid Academic Plan will result in the cancellation of future financial assistance until the student meets the Satisfactory Academic Progress standards.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The effect of Incomplete grades

Courses where the student receives an incomplete (I) at the end of the semester or term, will count as attempted credit hours and as a non-passing grade when assessing if the student will meet 67% Pace of Progress Rule and/or if the student will be within the Maximum Time Frame Rule limit.

Complete withdrawals and the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy

Students who withdraw from the college must still maintain FA Satisfactory Academic Progress. A complete withdrawal will always have a negative effect on a student’s standing under this policy. If a student withdraws from school during the semester, his grades for the semester will be all “W”s. These grades are not passing; therefore the student will not meet the 67% Pace of Progress Rule and will be placed either on Financial Aid Warning or Financial Aid Suspension depending on what the student’s status was before the semester began.

The effect of repeating courses

There is no specific limitation on the number of times a student may attempt a course under the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy. All course attempts, even repeated courses, will count when assessing if student will meet the 67% Pace of Progress Rule and/or the Maximum Time Frame limit. Please see the Maximum Time Frame section on this document and in addition please see section Repeated Coursework within Financial Aid section of the catalog or the Financial Aid Website, for more information on this.

Transfer hours and the 67% Pace of Progress Rule

Transfer hours which have an STC equivalent are counted in the assessment of the 67% Pace of Progress Rule.

Transfer hours and Maximum Time Frame

Transfer hours which have an STC equivalent are counted in the Maximum Time Frame calculation. Students may request an additional review of transferred courses if these courses count toward graduation at STC in their chosen major by providing a degree plan from the Office of Counseling and Advising. The degree plan will be reviewed by a Financial Aid Officer to determine exactly which transferred credit hours apply to a student’s current program of study. Transferred hours that appear on a student’s record but do not count toward graduation from the student’s current program of study will be eliminated from
the total. These reviews are done on a first come first serve basis.

**Summers Sessions Attempted hours**
Hours attempted in any Summer Session will be included in the assessment of the 67% Pace of Progress Rule and the Maximum Time Frame Rule limit. STC offers three summer sessions. All three summer sessions are considered one entire semester when calculating the 67% Pace of Progress Rule and the Maximum Time Frame Rule.

**Academic Probation and Suspension**
Successfully approved Academic appeals for Academic Probation or Academic Suspension (G.P.A. less than a 2.0), have no effect on students’ standing with the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy; those students will still be on Financial Aid Suspension and would have to appeal their Financial Aid Suspension to our STC Student Financial Services Department. Please reference the Financial Aid Appeals Process section on this document for more information.

**Notification of status under the FA Satisfactory Academic Progress policy**
Students placed on Financial Aid Warning or Financial Aid Suspension will be notified via email and regular mail, of their status after grades are available on STC’s computer system.

**The effect of Developmental coursework on the 67% Pace of Progress Rule**
Developmental (or remedial) coursework will be included when calculating the 67% Pace of Progress Rule.

**The effect of Developmental coursework on the MTF calculation**
30 credit hours of developmental coursework can be eliminated from the Maximum Time Frame calculation. After the student attempts more than 30 credit hours of developmental coursework, any additional developmental credit hours attempted will count in the Maximum Time Frame calculation.

**The effect of dropping a course**
Students, who reduce their course load by dropping a course after the semester has begun, risk non-compliance with the 67% Pace of Progress Rule.

**The effect of FA Suspension on Financial Aid Awards**
Title IV aid consists of grants and work-study; therefore, all grants and work-study awards will be cancelled (or discontinued in the case of work study) if a student is on Financial Aid Suspension.

**Consortium agreements and the FA Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy**
When South Texas College has a consortium agreement with a participating institution, the student must meet the FA Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy of the institution that is awarding aid.

**Maximum Time Frame Adjustment for Change of Major**
Students who change their major may have credits attempted and grades earned excluded from the Maximum Time Frame calculation if those credit hours do not count toward the new major. Exclusion of credit hours from the Maximum Time Frame Calculation will be allowed once, for change of major. All developmental courses and academic courses where the student earned grades of “F”, “W” or “I” will be excluded from the Maximum Time Frame calculation when those courses are between the first major and the second major change; these grades cannot be excluded after the second major. Note that Undeclared Degree seeking major is not a valid major but credit hours taken while under this major, will be counted as attempted and earned (or not earned, depending on the grade).

**Students who graduate and return to STC for a Second degree**
If a student graduates from STC and re-enrolls at STC to pursue another educational program, all developmental courses and academic courses where the student earned grades of “F”, “W” or “I” will be excluded from the Maximum Time Frame calculation. Students may request a review by providing a degree plan furnished by the Office of Counseling and Advising and submitting it to the Student Financial Services Office for review. The degree plan will be reviewed by a Financial Aid Officer to determine exactly which credit hours from the graduated program apply to the student's new program of study. Classes from the program the student graduated from, which do not count toward graduation for the new program, will be eliminated from the total. The review for a new degree after graduation is limited to one degree plan review per graduation.

**FEDERAL RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS POLICY**

**Withdrawals**
When a student who is a Title IV recipient withdraws, there are two policies related to finance that the student should be familiar with. The first is STC’s Tuition Refunds Policy, which is located in the Financial Information Section of this catalog. The second policy is the U.S. Department of Education’s Return of Title IV Funds policy, which is described below. These two processes are managed by different offices and have different requirements and deadlines and can be a little confusing. If you have questions after reviewing the Financial Information section of this catalog and the Return of Title IV Funds information please contact the office that is responsible for administering the process that you have questions about. The STC Student Financial Services Office may be reached at (956) 872-8375, and the Cashier’s office may be reached at (956) 872-3455 or both may be reached at 1-800-742-7822.

**Policy Summary**
The Title IV Programs that are covered by this policy at STC are the Federal Pell Grant, Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grants and the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOGs). The Higher Education Amendments
of 1998, Public Law 105-244 (the Amendments of 1998) substantially changed the way funds paid toward a student’s education are handled when a recipient of Title IV funds withdraws from school. If a Title IV recipient withdraws from school after beginning attendance, (Note that in a distance education context, documenting that a student has logged into an online class is not sufficient, by itself, to demonstrate academic attendance by the student; a definition of attendance for financial aid purposes is provided under Eligibility Issues in this catalog and also at http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/final/attendance_definition.html), the amount of aid earned by the student must be determined; if the amount disbursed to the student is greater than the amount the student earned, unearned funds must be returned. If the amount disbursed to the student is less than the amount the student earned, and for which the student is otherwise eligible, he or she is eligible to receive a post- withdrawal disbursement of the earned aid that was not received.

Process for students who withdraw themselves
For students who go through the process of officially withdrawing themselves from school, a simple calculation is used to determine the amount of Title IV funds a student has earned as of the date he or she withdrew. The percentage of the period completed is determined by dividing the number of calendar days completed in the semester as of the day the student withdrew, by the total number of calendar days in the semester. The total number of calendar days in a semester includes all days within the term, except for institutionally scheduled breaks of five or more consecutive days. The day the student withdrew is counted as a completed day. This percentage is multiplied by the amount of Title IV Federal Student Aid that was disbursed to the student for the semester. The result is the amount of aid that the student earned. Once the student reaches the 60 percent point in a semester, they have earned 100 percent of their Federal aid and no adjustment is required.

The process for students who are withdrawn or who do not initiate the withdrawal process
The Return of Title IV funds process is different for students who do not follow the process to officially withdraw and are withdrawn or dropped by the school. For example, the withdrawal date for students who have withdrawn after beginning attendance is the date that the student was withdrawn. Students who do not initiate the withdrawal process will be withdrawn up to the 50 percent point of the semester. If the student is withdrawn on or after the 50 percent point of the semester, the percentage used to calculate the amount of aid that the student has earned will always be 50 percent. This includes students who are withdrawn by the Student Assessment Center.

Withdrawals from programs offered in modules (Mini-mesters)
Previously, if a student attending a standard, term-based program offered in modules (at STC these are known as mini-mesters), ceased attendance after completing one module, the student was not considered to have withdrawn, and the school was not required to perform a Return calculation. This is no longer the case; under the October 29, 2010, final regulations, for all programs offered in modules, a student is a withdrawal for Title IV purposes if the student ceases attendance at any point prior to completing the payment period or period of enrollment, unless the school obtains written confirmation from the student at the time of the withdrawal that he or she will attend a module that begins later in the same payment period or period of enrollment.

In addition, for a student in a non-term or nonstandard-term program offered in modules, a student is considered to have withdrawn from the program if the student is not scheduled to begin another course within the payment period or period of enrollment for more than 45 calendar days after the end of the module the student ceased attending, unless the student is on an approved leave of absence. So, for a student in a non-term or nonstandard term program offered in modules who ceases attendance, the student is a withdrawal for Title IV purposes unless the school obtains written confirmation from the student at the time of the withdrawal that he or she will attend a module that begins later in the same payment period or period of enrollment, provided the later module the student will attend begins no later than 45 calendar days after the end of the module the student ceased attending.

When a student fails to earn at least one passing grade
As per Department of Education, students who do not earn at least one passing grade per semester are considered to have withdrawn from school. For example: if a student attempts three courses, earns “Fs” for the other two courses, or if he or she earns all “Fs” the Student Financial Services Office must assume that the student withdrew from school. The Student Financial Services Office is required to re-calculate their eligibility and remove some of the financial aid funds that were disbursed on their student account. In most cases, students will end up owing South Texas College hundreds of dollars.

At STC, the withdrawal date for students who do not earn at least one passing grade is the 50 percent point of the semester if a last date of attendance was not provided by any of the instructors. If a last date of attendance was provided, we will use the latest date of attendance to calculate the days completed and divide that by the total days in the semester or payment period. The result will be the Earned Percentage that we will use to re-calculate eligibility, (please see examples below).

For students in this situation, the only relief available is related to the date when they stopped attending school classes. If the student participated in a verifiable, academically-related activity past the 60 percent point of the semester (check with the Student Financial Services Office for dates) and proof of this can be collected then the Student Financial Services Office does not have to perform the calculation. The Department of Education has
defined acceptable academically-related activities as class attendance, examinations or quizzes, tutorials, computer-assisted instruction, academic advising or counseling, academic conferences, completing an academic assignment, paper, or project, or attending a school-assigned study group. Students may not provide documentation of these activities; documentation must come from either an instructor or in the case of academic advising, the office of Advisement and Mentoring Services.

RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS

Calculation Resulting in Money Owed to South Texas College

If students withdraw or are withdrawn from all of their classes after the 20th class day of a regular semester or the designated end of the refund period of a shorter term, STC will not adjust the cost of tuition and fees (Please reference the Tuition Refunds Policy, which is located in the Financial Information Section of the STC Catalog). When a return of Title IV funds calculation is performed and aid that was used by the student to pay for tuition, fees, or other institutional charges is returned, students become responsible to repay those funds to STC. The debt must be repaid before the student will be allowed to register for a future semester.

Grant Overpayments

Students who have grant overpayments may contact Debt Resolution Services by calling 1-800-621-3115 or by writing Debt Resolution Services at the following address:

U.S. Department of Education
Debt Resolution Services
P.O. Box 5609
Greenville, Texas 75403

Three Examples of Return of Title IV funds calculations:

Example #1

Barbara was enrolled in for 12 credit hours at STC for the fall semester. When Barbara began classes she received a Federal Pell Grant. She withdrew from her classes 53 days into the semester. Her bill for tuition and fees was $1250. There are a total of 159 calendar days in the semester, so Barbara earned 33.3 percent of her Title IV aid (53 days completed divided by 159 total days in the payment period). Barbara received a total of $2675 in Federal Pell Grant for the fall semester. She received a check for the balance of Pell Grant funds in excess of the cost of school after census day.

To determine the amount of Pell Grant funds that Barbara earned, we must multiply the percentage earned by the amount she was eligible to receive.

33.3% X $2675.00 = $890.78

Since Barbara was enrolled for 33.3 percent of the fall semester, according to U.S. Department of Education regulations, she has earned $890.78 of her Pell Grant. The Department of Education requires that STC return $846.25 of the unearned funds from the funds that Barbara used to pay for her tuition and fees. Because Barbara withdrew after the 20th day of class, there will be no reduction of the cost of tuition and fees. Barbara will be responsible to repay STC $846.25 because she withdrew and the funds are no longer available to cover the cost of her tuition and fees.

Example #2

David was enrolled for 12 credit hours in the spring semester, attended a few weeks of his classes and decided to leave school. He was eligible for $550.00 in Federal Pell Grant which was posted to his student account to help pay for his tuition. His cost for tuition and fees was $650.00. He did not inform STC of his decision to withdraw, and did not follow the process for withdrawing from school. Joe was dropped from all of his classes for non-attendance, and the Financial Aid office was notified of his withdrawal. The date that he was withdrawn was at the 45 percent point of the semester.

To determine the amount of Pell Grant funds that Joe earned, we must multiply the percentage earned by the amount he was eligible to receive.

45.0% X $550.00 = $247.50

Since Joe was enrolled for 45.0 percent of the spring semester, according to U.S. Department of Education regulations, he has earned $247.50 of his Pell Grant. The Department of Education requires that STC return $357.50 of the unearned funds from the funds that Joe used to pay for his tuition and fees. Because Joe withdrew after the 20th day of class, there will be no reduction of the cost of tuition and fees. Joe will be responsible to repay STC $357.50 because he was withdrawn and the funds are no longer available to cover the cost of his tuition and fees.

Example #3

Danny was enrolled in 6 credit hours for the spring semester. When Danny began classes he received a Federal Pell Grant. Danny will be responsible to repay STC $357.50 because he was withdrawn and the funds are no longer available to cover the cost of his tuition and fees.

Example of a Return of Title IV Funds Calculation using the Formula

This example is provided so that a student can derive an approximation of what he would owe if he were to withdraw or if he were to receive non-passing grades, (for non-passing grades, instructors will provide last date of attendance), in a payment period:

- Tuition and Fees: $1,000
- Tuition and Fees will be the initial tuition and fees. Fees will vary depending on courses taken but typically will include:
  - 30004000 Level Course Fee

As per U.S. Department of Education regulations Danny is entitled to 50 percent of her $1,325.00 Pell Grant award. Danny will be responsible to repay STC $300.
Learning Support Fee
Information Technology Fee
Electronic Distance Education Learning Fee
Hybrid Course Fee
Course Repeat Fee
Student Registration Fee
Drop/Add Fee

Federal Financial Aid (FA) Disbursement Total: $2,000.

Student withdrew from classes 34 days into the semester; student was not registered in mini-
mesters.

There are a total of 110 calendar days in the semester.

Student earned 31 percent of his Federal Aid:
• 34 days completed divided by 110 total days in the payment period.
• Earned Percentage: 31%

Then Earned Percentage is multiplied by Federal FA Disbursement Total = Earned funds
• using above numbers: 31% X $2000 = $620
------- $620 being Earned funds

Then Federal FA Disbursement Total minus Earned funds = X
• using above numbers: $2000 – $620 = $1380
------- $1380 being X

100% minus Earned Percentage = Unearned Percentage
• using above numbers: 100% - 31% = 69%
------- 69% being Unearned Percentage

Then Tuition and Fees in the term times Unearned Percentage = Y
• using above numbers: $1000 X 69% = $690
------- $690 being Y

Then the result of, if X is less than Y then choose X, else choose Y; this is the Amount for the school to Return
• using above numbers: Is $1380 < $690? No, then choose $690; this is the Amount for school to return: Y= $690 dollars.

The Amount for School to Return is subtracted from FA Disbursement Total
• using above numbers it would be: $2000 – $690 = $1310

The $690 will be the funds for South Texas College to return to Department of Education on student’s behalf and will be what student will owe; there may be other charges included by the institution but those are not discussed here.

The $1310 will be the new adjusted Federal Pell Grant amount that will show in student’s JAgNet account for the semester/period he withdrew from.

**TAX BENEFITS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION**

**Hope Tax Credit**

Program Purpose: It provides a tax credit to families with students in the first two years of college or vocational school, to make post-secondary education more affordable.

Eligibility Requirements are:
• Be enrolled at least 1/2 time an eligible institution in a program leading to a degree, certificate, or other recognized educational credential.
• Cannot have completed the first two years of undergraduate education.
• Have not been convicted of a federal or state felony for possessing or distributing a controlled substance before the end of the tax year in which the student is enrolled.

The Hope Tax Credit could be of up to $1,500 per eligible student per year. Please refer to IRS Publication 970 for information on how to include this credit on your tax forms.

**Lifetime Learning tax credit**

The purpose of the program is to provide a federal tax credit for adult learners—individuals returning to school, changing careers, or taking a course or two to upgrade their skills, and college juniors, seniors, and graduate and professional students. The credit can be claimed by families with one or more individuals in college for all of postsecondary education and for courses to acquire or improve job skills. The award amount can be a tax credit of up to $2000 per return. For more information on how to apply this tax credit, refer to IRS Publication 970.

**FREQUENTLY REQUESTED INFORMATION**

**Frequently Requested Telephone Numbers and Websites**

The STC Office of Student Financial Services maintains an extensive website which contains:

1. Information about aid programs offered at STC at: http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/
2. Information about all subjects related to the financial aid process at STC at: http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/faq.html
3. All STC financial aid forms in.pdf (Adobe Acrobat) format at: http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/forms.html
4. Links to important Federal and State Aid Websites at: http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/websites.html
5. Links to scholarship databases and scholarship sources outside STC at: http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships.html

The Student Financial Services main web page is: http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/

If you need answers right away to questions about Federal Student Aid, call the appropriate number listed below at the Federal Student Aid Information Center between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. (Eastern Time), Monday through Friday:

1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243)
1-800-730-8913 TDD (for hearing impaired)

The Federal Student Aid Information Center can:
• Answer questions about completing the FAFSA.
• Tell you whether a school participates in the federal student aid programs and that school’s student loan default rate.
• Explain federal student aid eligibility requirements.
• Explain the process of determining financial need and awarding aid.
• Send you federal student aid publications
• Find out if your federal student financial aid application has been processed.
TRAFFIC AND PARKING RULES AND REGULATIONS

PARKING PERMITS REQUIRED
All students, faculty, and staff must purchase a parking permit for each vehicle or motorcycle that will be parked on South Texas College property. A parking permit does not guarantee a parking space, but does authorize parking in designated areas.

PURCHASING A PARKING PERMIT
Parking permits must be purchased online through STC JagNet, accessible on the STC main web page via any internet enabled computer or kiosk. To purchase a permit, all previous parking fines must be paid. JagNet provides an option to have parking permits mailed to a residence or be picked up. If a parking permit has not been picked up within 7 days of payment, the permit will be mailed to your residence. Pick up a parking permit at the following locations:

For Students
• Cashier’s office located at each campus (956-872-8311).
• STC Department of Public Safety located at Pecan Plaza: 2509 W. Pecan Blvd McAllen, Texas (956-872-2589).

For Faculty and Staff
• Security office at each campus (956-872-2589).
• STC Department of Public Safety located at Pecan Plaza: 2509 W. Pecan Blvd McAllen, Texas (956-872-2589).

PARKING PERMIT FEES
• Initial permit................................. $25.00
• Additional or Replacement permit........ $25.00

PERMIT REFUNDS
Refunds can be issued for unused parking permits returned within 15 days of purchase. Subject to approval.

TEMPORARY PARKING PERMITS
Students and employees with permanent parking permits may obtain a temporary parking permit for short periods when a vehicle or motorcycle is not available, at the STC Department of Public Safety located at Pecan Plaza: 2509 W. Pecan Blvd., McAllen, Texas, or at Security Department offices in other locations.

Temporary parking permits may also be obtained by visitors and individuals who are not STC employees or students.

DISPLAYING A PARKING PERMIT
Permits for cars, trucks and SUVs shall be visible and permanently affixed to the inside lower right hand corner (passenger side) of the windshield with only the adhesive on the front face of the permit (do not use tape).

Permits for motorcycles shall be permanently affixed in a clearly visible location with only the adhesive on the opposite side of the permit (do not use tape).

Permits shall be displayed in an upright position and not altered in anyway. Parking permits cannot be transferred from one vehicle to another vehicle.

ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS
Texas Education Code Section 51.201 states that laws of the state are in effect for Institutions of Higher Education and violations of state traffic laws may result in the issuance of citations to be adjudicated through municipal courts.

Administrative citations can also be issued for traffic and parking violations. Citations may be based upon video camera recordings.

Individuals who own or operate a vehicle or motorcycle on South Texas College property will be held liable for any citations issued to that vehicle or motorcycle with or without a permit. STC students, faculty, or staff who park in a visitor space will be ticketed with or without a permit displayed.

Examples of citations that may be issued are as follows:
• No parking permit.
• Expired parking permit.
• Misuse of parking permit.
• Improper display of parking permit, including not permanently affixing the permit in the proper location and/or using glue or tape rather than the permit adhesive.
• Parking where prohibited by signs or markings (Fire Lane, Handicap, Faculty/Staff, Visitor, Reserved, Loading/Unloading).
Parking in Visitor spaces, with or without a permit, while an employee or student at South Texas College.

Parking in Visitor spaces for longer than the allotted time.

Parking where there is no designated parking space.

Parking alongside islands and curbs marked No Parking or painted red.

Dropping off persons or items in a No Parking or No Dropping Off area.

Double-parked (encroaching on another parking space).

Parking in a fire lane (red zone) (subject to tow at owner’s expense).

Failure to come to a complete stop at a stop sign.

Driving the wrong way.

Failure to obey roadway signs

Parking in a handicapped parking space without properly displaying a valid handicap placard/license plate or disabled veteran license plate issued by the State of Texas. Handicap spaces are not for use by individuals who do not have a handicap, even if the vehicle properly displays a handicap placard/license plate or disabled veteran plate.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION FEES**

1. 1st Citation.......................... $30.00
2. 2nd Citation.......................... $50.00
3. 3rd Citation.......................... $80.00
4. 4th Citation.......................... $100.00
5. 5th Citation.......................... $220.00

($100.00 wheel lock removal fee)

*Fire lane and handicap violations are subject to the city municipal court fines. (City Municipal fines may differ)

**MOVING VIOLATION FEES**

1. 1st Citation.......................... $30.00
2. 2nd Citation.......................... $50.00
3. 3rd Citation.......................... $90.00

*City Municipal citations vary by jurisdiction.

**WHEEL LOCKS**

Wheel locks shall be placed on vehicles that have four (4) previous citations and are receiving a 5th citation or for other violations of STC regulations and shall not be removed until all pending citations have been paid and a receipt of payment is presented to the STC Department of Public Safety.

Wheel locks may be placed on vehicles for outstanding parking fines and other parking, security, or police matters. The STC Department of Public Safety is not responsible for damage to vehicles.

**APPEALS OF CITATIONS**

Appeals of municipal citations can be made through the city Municipal Court. Appeals of administrative citations must be submitted electronically and no later than fifteen (15) working days from the date of the citation. Appeals turned in after 15 working days will be denied. An appeals committee will review the appeal and forward the decision to the email address provided.

**Administrative citation appeals may be submitted as follows:**

1. Access JAGNET via any internet enabled computer or kiosk. Select the Security tab and the Appeals tab to submit the appeal electronically.

2. Visit the STC Department of Public Safety located at Pecan Plaza 2509 W. Pecan Blvd McAllen, Texas (956-872-2589).

Individuals receiving their first citation, with the exception of Handicap and Fire lane violations, may take an awareness examination and if successful, the fine will be waived. Individuals with multiple citations may have the total of their fines reduced by 50% upon successful completion of the examination. The examination is conducted at the STC Department of Public Safety located at Pecan Plaza 2509 W. Pecan Blvd., McAllen, Texas (956-872-2589).

**INCIDENT OR ACCIDENT**

If you are involved in an incident or accident on South Texas College property that requires emergency assistance, call 911 immediately. For other assistance, contact the STC Department of Public Safety at (956) 872-2589.

**CAMPUS SECURITY**

The mission of the South Texas College Department of Public Safety is to provide a safe educational environment for students, faculty, staff, and campus visitors. This is accomplished through:

1. The education of the college community on crime prevention methods and techniques and the need to assume personal responsibility for safety and security on campus.

2. The development of a comprehensive all hazards emergency response plan to ensure the safety of individuals and the protection of college resources.

3. The acquisition and utilization of state of the art technology to deter crime and protect the college community.

4. The enforcement of all laws, policies, and regulations.

The Chief Administrator of the Department of Public Safety prepares this crime statistics report to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. Each year, notification is made to all enrolled students, providing the web site to access this report. Faculty and staff receive similar notification.
Library Services supports the College’s education mission by providing access to information resources and instruction in information seeking skills to the South Texas College community. Library facilities are located at the Mid-Valley Campus, Dr. Ramiro R. Casso Nursing and Allied Health Campus, Pecan Campus, Starr County Campus, and Technology Campus. Librarian assistance is available at these sites.

Over 630 student open-access computers are available at all library facilities and at open computer labs at each campus. Library Services computers provide access to the Internet, to MS Office software, and to other specialized software packages. Printing services are also available at these locations.

South Texas College libraries hold over 142,000 cataloged items, including print and electronic books, video, and audio recordings. Library patrons on one campus can request items from another campus library to be delivered to their campus the next day, in most cases. The Library subscribes to over 191 periodical publications (newspapers, magazines, and journals) and over 100 research databases. These databases provide digital access to the contents of several thousand magazines, journals, newspapers, electronic books and other publications, and in most cases, allow direct retrieval of the full-text documents. The online databases are available on any computer on the College network, including all campus computer labs, faculty and staff computers. Distance learning students have remote access through a proxy server using their JagNet computers. Distance learning students have remote access through a proxy server using their JagNet computers. Distance learning students have remote access through a proxy server using their JagNet computers. Distance learning students have remote access through a proxy server using their JagNet computers.

Library Services is a member of Amigos Library Services, TexShare, and OCLC. Every member of these organizations has made interlibrary loan agreements to share resources with other member libraries. Thus, the South Texas College community has access to the collections of several hundred academic and public libraries across the United States. South Texas College students and faculty members can borrow materials directly from participating TexShare libraries with their current South Texas College ID card and a TexShare card available from South Texas College campus libraries. Participating TexShare libraries in the region include: University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, Texas Southmost College, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, Texas A&M-Kingsville, and TSTC-Harlingen.

The Center for Learning Excellence (CLE) is STC’s comprehensive learning support and academic tutoring center. The CLE helps students foster the learning skills and course content knowledge required to be successful in college. At the CLE, students can receive high-quality tutoring and other academic support resources in a broad variety of subject areas.

The array of CLE services, which are free and available to all STC students, include drop-in tutoring, appointment tutoring, group tutoring, online tutoring, Supplemental Instruction programs, Learning Support Workshops, and individual test proctoring. The CLE also offers a welcoming and comfortable environment where students may access computer lab support with a variety of specialized software programs, private study rooms for student use with or without tutoring assistance, adaptive learning equipment, and numerous reference materials and learning resources.

The CLE Open Labs house nearly 350 computers across the district open for student use with helpful and professional lab staff always on duty. CLE computer labs may also be reserved for group activities, trainings, or class visits.

The CLE has been awarded the highest level of certification status from the College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA), an international organization that certifies academic learning centers based on established best practices for tutor training and evaluation. CLE sites are located on every STC Campus: Mid-Valley, Nursing and Allied Health, Pecan, Starr County, and Technology Center.

The following are descriptions of the programs and services available to all STC students sponsored by the Centers for Learning Excellence (CLE):

- **Supplemental Instruction** is a CLE-sponsored program in which a peer learning mentor, called an SI Leader, attends class and holds regular study sessions in order to maximize student success. SI has been shown to increase student course completion and success and is typically assigned to courses that are seen as academically challenging. Students may enroll in an SI course free of charge. Enrollment in SI classes is limited, so early registration is encouraged.

- **CLE Open Labs** support students at each STC campus with computer-based resources, specialized software, and knowledgeable lab staff to assist with any computer-related need. CLE open labs support most programs needed by students for their classes. Specialized software titles include Microsoft Office Suite 2013, Adobe Master Collection, Creative Cloud, SolidWorks, SketchUp, AutoDesk, MasterCam and many more.
Online Tutoring is available for students whose schedules cannot accommodate traditional on-campus learning support. CLE offers online tutoring in most subject areas. The service features both real-time and submit-and-return options which provide prompt assistance to students 24 hours a day/seven days a week.

Test Proctoring is available at the CLE for individual student testing needs. CLE provides proctoring services by appointment to any STC student. CLE proctoring services are available on all campuses and can be administered in either online or paper test formats.

Group Tutoring provides an opportunity for students studying in groups of four or more to obtain up to one hour of tutoring assistance in the CLE’s private study rooms.

Student Success Workshops are informational training seminars provided by CLE tutors and STC staff and faculty. The workshops are offered throughout the fall, spring, and summer semesters and cover a variety of subjects. Students can learn ways to maximize study time, organize notes, manage time effectively, or master key academic concepts by participating in these sessions. CLE workshop series also includes final exam review sessions for a variety of courses.

Other specialized CLE Programs and Services include ASL Learning Lab, ESL Student Services, JagPrint, JagNet password support and much more.

Please visit the CLE website for up-to-date information on tutor schedules, hours of operation, and complete descriptions of the academic support services at the following address: http://www.southtexascollege.edu/cle or select the CLE tutoring link on the STC homepage.

ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

The Alumni & Friends Association develops relationships and establishes lifelong connections between South Texas College and its former and current students, leading to increased support for the institution’s mission and goals. The association also reaches out to community members, who are “friends” of the college. It promotes a variety of networks and resources, and offers opportunities to grow professionally and socially.

For more information, call (956) 872-8302, or go to alumni.southtexascollege.edu.

COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

The College Connections Department provides off-site assistance to residents in Hidalgo and Starr counties. College Connections Specialists distribute enrollment, financial aid, and program information at various college and career days. The Recruiters promote the College at schools and community agencies, and assist prospective students with their transition into South Texas College by helping to complete enrollment and financial aid forms.

For more information, or to schedule a visit with a South Texas College Recruiter, please call (956) 872-8391.

DUAL2DEGREE

The Dual2Degree Department manages enrollment and support services for high school students admitted to the Dual 2 Degree Program at South Texas College. Dual 2 Degree Specialists provide assistance to dual enrollment students with the admission and registration process, and support their academic success by providing advisement, orientation and student activity services at high school sites. The Dual 2 Degree Department maintains a unique relationship with community agency representatives, high school counselors and other school district personnel to ensure that they are providing the most efficient and effective service possible.

For further information, please call (956) 872-8391 or 1-800-742-7822.

STUDENT INFORMATION AND ENROLLMENT CENTERS

The Student Information and Enrollment Centers provide accurate and up-to-date information about the college’s programs and services, and are located at all South Texas College campuses district wide.

Prospective students are encouraged to visit the Student Information Center at their nearest Campus to complete the online admissions application (Apply Texas) and obtain an enrollment checklist that will facilitate their transition to South Texas College.

Current students, prospective students, administration, faculty, staff and the general public can obtain various types of information and services at both the Student Information and Enrollment Centers. Services include: campus tours, the campus call center, and assistance with through the enrollment and registration process.

For more information call (956) 872-8311 or 1-800-742-7822.
DISTANCE LEARNING

South Texas College’s Distance Learning Department offers students flexible and convenient opportunities to complete their education.

STC offers Online Associate of Arts Programs in the following fields:
- Accounting
- Anthropology
- Business Administration - Transfer Plan
- Computer Information Systems
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Education - Elementary
- Education - 4-8 Generalist
- Education - Secondary
- English
- Government
- Human Resource Specialist
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Language and Cultural Studies-Spanish Concentration
- Philosophy
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Social Work
- Studio Art

STC also offers Online Associate of Applied Science Programs in Human Resources Specialist.

STC also offers Certificates in the following fields:
- Accounting Clerk
- Computer Applications Specialist
- Employee and Labor Relations Assistant
- Human Resources Assistant
- Management
- Marketing
- Payroll Assistant
- Recruiter Assistant

STC also offers Bachelor of Applied Technology in the following fields:
- Technology Management
- Computer and Information Technologies
- Medical and Health Services Management
- Organizational Leadership

Distance Learning Courses are offered in a variety of formats: Online, Hybrid, Web-Enhanced, and Videoconferencing.
- Online coursework may be completed from any computer that has Internet access.
- Some instructors require students to take proctored exams. Check the course list for specific information.
- Hybrid classes divide class meeting-time between Internet and on-campus locations.
- Web-Enhanced courses meet on campus as regularly scheduled and have a web component that is either required or elective at the instructor’s discretion.

Information about Distance Learning at STC is available at: http://www.southtexascollege.edu/online or by calling (956) 872-2598.

INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH AND EFFECTIVENESS

Institutional Research and Effectiveness supports College faculty, staff and administrators in making informed decisions by examining, evaluating, and reporting on the College’s performance and effectiveness. These efforts are facilitated by two departments; Institutional Effectiveness & Assessment, (IEA), and Research & Analytical Services (RAS).

The Office of Institutional Effectiveness & Assessment (IEA) works to empower the college community to integrate effective planning and meaningful assessment into all institutional practices through collaborative inquiry, self-reflection, and continuous improvement. IEA also maintains two institutional Factbooks (internal & external) that provide institutional data for research and reporting.

Research & Analytical Services (RAS) conducts educational research on topics of importance to the College by collecting and analyzing data from College stakeholders and other sources. RAS consults with faculty and staff who are interested in conducting human subject research here at the College and provides assistance with qualitative or quantitative research methods, study design, statistical analysis, and survey instrument design and administration.

Data requests should be made through STC’s Data Request Information Portal, which can be found at https://datarequests.southtexascollege.edu.
Continuing, Professional and Workforce Education provides quality and lifelong education opportunities through college and career preparation, career pathways, customized corporate training and economic development, professional education and development, professional conferences, and personal enrichment courses. The department is committed to empowering all individuals and employers with necessary knowledge, skills and credentials to help them fulfill their personal and professional goals for a better quality of life.

Classes are scheduled with flexible hours, including evenings and weekends throughout Hidalgo and Starr Counties. Classes are delivered both online and in traditional classroom settings. Courses can be scheduled in response to community demand where 12 or more students register for the class. Mandatory Continuing Education Units (CEU) meeting licensing requirements are available for professionals. A Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) grade is earned for continuing education courses. Continuing, Professional and Workforce Education offers ongoing courses through the following 12 institutes:

**INSTITUTES**

**Arts and Design**
- Cake Decorating
- Digital Image
- Floral Design
- Guitar
- Oil Painting
- Photography
- Piano

**Business and Corporate Training**
- Computerized Accounting
- Customer Service
- Effective Coaching
- Employability Skills
- Frontline Supervisor
- Interpersonal Skills and Styles
- Leadership Skills
- Office Clerk
- Performance Standards and Measures
- Presentation Skills
- Process Mapping
- Productivity
- Professional in Human Resources
- Stress Management
- Telephone and Email Etiquette
- Time Management

**College and Career Preparation**
- ACT Preparation
- GED Preparation
- Kids College
- Teens College
- TSI Assessment Preparation

**Conferences and Workshops**
- Child Development
- College Success
- Education
- Healthcare
- Technology

**Education**
- Alternative Teacher Certification (Bilingual Generalist EC-6 and Generalist 4-8)
- Child Development Associate
- Substitute Teacher

**English as a Second Language (ESL)**
- Advanced Level ESL
- Beginning Level ESL
- Citizenship Preparation
- Conversation Course
- High-Advanced Level ESL
- Intermediate Level ESL
- Spanish
- TOEFL Preparation

**Healthcare**
- Activity Director
- Certified Dietary Manager
- Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA)
- Clinical Assistant
- Computed Tomography
- CPR
- Dementia Certificate
- Dental Assistant
- EKG
- Emergency Care Attendant
- First Aid
- Health Information Management Clerk
- ICD 9 and 10
- Medical Billing and Coding
- Medical Receptionist
- Medication Aide
- Medication Aide Update
- Pharmacy Technician Trainee
- Phlebotomy

**Online Courses and Programs**

**Real Estate**
- Finance
- Home Inspection
- Law of Agency
- Law of Contracts
- Principles I
- Principles II
- Promulgated Contracts
Technology and Trades
- Computer Assistant
- Construction
- Electrician’s Aide
- Excel
- Forklift
- HVAC and Refrigeration Technician Assistant
- Internet
- Introduction to Computers
- Maintenance and Repair
- OSHA Training
- Pipe Welding
- PowerPoint
- Shipping and Receiving Logistics
- Welding Fundamentals
- Word

Truck and Bus Driving
- Defensive Driving
- Public Transit Bus Driving
- School Bus Driving
- Truck Driving

REGISTRATION IS EASY
- Go to the STC campus of your choice
- Bring Picture ID
- Complete registration form
- Pay (cash, money order, check, credit or debit card)

SERVICES
College and Career Preparation
- Programs that equip you with foundation skills to enter career pathways

Career Pathways
- Programs leading to certification that will make you competitive and marketable in the workplace

Customized Corporate Training and Economic Development
- Customized programs and courses that help employers and their workforce compete in our global economy

Personal Enrichment
- Fun courses to spice up your life

Professional Conferences
- Business, Education, Health, and Technology areas

Professional Education and Development
- Review courses for professional certifications and licenses
The Core Curriculum at South Texas College has, at its foundation, the philosophy and purpose of the College and is a composition of general education courses which form the foundation of all Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees.

These are degrees that are designed for students who plan to continue their education at a four-year university in order to earn a Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree.

STC is committed to the preparation of intellectually flexible, creative, and productive citizens. Through exposure to a varied range of disciplines and technologies, students will develop:

- an understanding of the importance of lifelong learning
- broad global and social perspectives
- essential skills for tomorrow’s workforce

The purpose of the Core Curriculum is to gain a foundation of knowledge of human cultures and the physical and natural world; develop principles of personal and social responsibility for living in a diverse world, and advance intellectual and practical skills that are essential for all learning.

Core Objectives

- **Critical Thinking Skills** - to include creative thinking, innovation, inquiry, and analysis, evaluation and synthesis of information.

- **Communication Skills** - to include effective development, interpretation and expression of ideas through written, oral and visual communication.

- **Empirical and Quantitative Skills** - to include the manipulation and analysis of numerical data or observable facts resulting in informed conclusions.

- **Teamwork** - to include the ability to consider different points of view and to work effectively with others to support a shared purpose or goal

- **Personal Responsibility** - to include the ability to connect choices, actions and consequences to ethical decision-making.

- **Social Responsibility** - to include intercultural competence, knowledge of civic responsibility, and the ability to engage effectively in regional, national, and global communities.

This common body of essential knowledge and skills is taught and reinforced through courses selected in nine Core Components: Communication, Mathematics, Life and Physical Sciences, Language, Philosophy & Culture, Creative Arts, American History, Government/Political Science, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and a Component Area Option.

**COMMUNICATION**

**Composition/Written Communication**

6 credits

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Courses in this category focus on developing ideas and expressing them clearly, considering the effect of the message, fostering understanding, and building the skills needed to communicate persuasively. Courses involve the command of oral, aural, written, and visual literacy skills that enable people to exchange messages appropriate to the subject, occasion, and audience.

**MATHEMATICS**

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Courses in this category focus on quantitative literacy in logic, patterns, and relationships. Courses involve the understanding of key mathematical concepts and the application of appropriate quantitative tools to everyday experience.

**LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES**

8 credits

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<td>BIOL 2401</td>
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Courses in this category focus on describing, explaining, and predicting natural phenomena using the scientific method. Courses involve the understanding of interactions among natural phenomena and the implications of scientific principles on the physical world and on human experiences.

### LANGUAGE, PHILOSOPHY AND CULTURE

**3 credits**

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Courses in this category focus on the appreciation and analysis of creative artifacts and works of the human imagination. Courses involve the synthesis and interpretation of artistic expression and enable critical, creative, and innovative communication about works of art.

### AMERICAN HISTORY

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Courses in this category focus on the consideration of past events and ideas relative to the United States, with the option of including Texas History for a portion of this component area. Courses involve the interaction among individuals, communities, states, the nation, and the world, considering how these interactions have contributed to the development of the United States and its global role.
POLITICAL SCIENCE

6 credits

GOVT 2305 Federal Government
GOVT 2306 Texas Government

Courses in this category focus on consideration of the Constitution of the United States and the constitutions of the states, with special emphasis on that of Texas. Courses involve the analysis of governmental institutions, political behavior, civic engagement, and their political and philosophical foundations.

SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

3 credits

ANTH 2301 Physical Anthropology
ANTH 2302 Introduction to Archeology
ANTH 2351 Cultural Anthropology
CRJ 1301 Introduction to Criminal Justice
CRJ 1306 Court Systems and Practices
CRJ 1310 Fundamentals of Criminal Law
CRJ 2313 Correctional Systems and Practices
CRJ 2328 Police Systems and Practices
ECON 2301 Principles of Economics I - Macro
GOVT 2304 Introduction to Political Science
GOVT 2311 Mexican American Politics
HIST 2301 Texas History
HIST 2321 World Civilizations I
HIST 2322 World Civilizations II
HIST 2381 African American History
PSYC 2301 General Psychology
PSYC 2306 Human Sexuality
PSYC 2307 Adolescent Psychology I
PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development
PSYC 2315 Psychology of Adjustment
SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
SOCI 1306 Social Problems
SOCI 2301 Marriage and the Family
SOCI 2319 Minority Studies
SOCW 2361 Introduction to Social Work
TECA 1354 Child Growth and Development

Courses in this category focus on the application of empirical and scientific methods that contribute to the understanding of what makes us human. Courses involve the exploration of behavior and interactions among individuals, groups, institutions, and events, examining their impact on the individual, society, and culture.

COMPONENT AREA

OPTION

3-4 credits

BCIS 1305 Business Computer Applications
BIOL 1322 Nutrition and Diet Therapy I
BIOL 2406 Environmental Biology
BIOL 2416 Genetics
BIOL 2421 Microbiology for Science Majors
CHEM 2423 Organic Chemistry I
CHEM 2425 Organic Chemistry II
COSC 1301 Introduction to Computing
COSC 1337 Programming Fundamentals II
COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I
COSC 2330 Advanced Structured Languages
COSC 2425 Computer Organization
COSC 2436 Programming Fundamentals III
EDUC 1300 Learning Frameworks
ENGR 1201 Introduction to Engineering Graphics
ENGR 1304 Statics
ENGR 2302 Dynamics
ENGR 2405 Electrical Circuits I
KINE 1164 Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness
MATH 2418 Linear Algebra
MATH 2420 Differential Equations
PSYC 1300 Learning Frameworks
SPCH 1311 Introduction to Speech Communication
SPCH 1315 Public Speaking
SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communications
SPCH 1321 Business and Professional Communication
SPCH 2333 Discussion and Small Group Communication
SPCH 2335 Argumentation and Debate

Total credits: 42

HUMANITIES ELECTIVE OPTIONS FOR THE ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREES

HUMANITIES AND VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Art*

ARTS 1301 Art Appreciation
ARTS 1303 Art History I
ARTS 1304 Art History II
ARTS 1311 Design I
| ARTS 1316 | Drawing I |
| ARTS 2346 | Ceramics I |
| ARTS 2348 | Digital Art I |
| ARTS 2356 | Photography I |
| (Fine Arts Emphasis) |

### Dance
- DANC 2303 | Dance Appreciation |

### Drama
- DRAM 1310 | Introduction to Theater |
- DRAM 2366 | Introduction to Cinema |

### Foreign Language*
- SGNL 2301 | Intermediate American Sign Language I |
- SPAN 2311 | Intermediate Spanish I |
- SPAN 2312 | Intermediate Spanish II |
- SPAN 2313 | Spanish for Native/Heritage Speakers I |
- SPAN 2315 | Spanish for Native/Heritage Speakers II |

### Humanities*
- HUMA 1301 | Introduction to Humanities I - Western |
- HUMA 1302 | Introduction to Humanities II - Non-Western |
- HUMA 1305 | Introduction to Mexican-American Studies |
- HUMA 1311 | Mexican-American Fine Arts Appreciation |
- HUMA 2319 | American Minority Studies |
- HUMA 2323 | World Cultures |

### Literature*
- ENGL 2321 | British Literature |
- ENGL 2326 | American Literature |
- ENGL 2331 | World Literature |
- ENGL 2341 | Introduction to Forms of Literature |
- ENGL 2351 | Mexican American Literature |

### Music*
- MUSI 1306 | Music Appreciation |
- MUSI 1307 | Music Literature |
- MUSI 1310 | American Music |

### Philosophy
- PHIL 1301 | Introduction to Philosophy |
- PHIL 1304 | Introduction to World Religions |
- PHIL 2303 | Introduction to Logic |
- PHIL 2306 | Introduction to Ethics |
- PHIL 2307 | Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy |
- PHIL 2316 | Classical Philosophy |
- PHIL 2321 | Philosophy of Religion |

### Social and Behavioral Sciences Electives

### Anthropology
- ANTH 2301 | Physical Anthropology |
- ANTH 2302 | Introduction to Archeology |
- ANTH 2346 | General Anthropology |
- ANTH 2351 | Cultural Anthropology |

### Child Development
- TECA 1354 | Child Growth and Development |

### Criminal Justice
- CRU 1301 | Introduction to Criminal Justice |
- CRU 1306 | Court Systems and Practices |
- CRU 1310 | Fundamentals of Criminal Law |
- CRU 1313 | Juvenile Justice System |
- CRU 2313 | Correctional Systems and Practices |
- CRU 2314 | Criminal Investigation |
- CRU 2328 | Police Systems and Practices |

### Economics
- ECON 2301 | Principles of Economics I - Macro |
- ECON 2302 | Principles of Economics II - Micro |

### Education
- EDUC 1300 | Learning Framework |

### History*
- HIST 1301 | United States History I |
- HIST 1302 | United States History II |
- HIST 2301 | Texas History |
- HIST 2311 | Western Civilization I |
- HIST 2312 | Western Civilization II |
- HIST 2321 | World Civilizations I |
- HIST 2322 | World Civilizations II |
- HIST 2327 | Mexican American History I |
- HIST 2328 | Mexican American History II |
- HIST 2381 | African American History |

### Political Science*
- GOVT 2304 | Introduction to Political Science |
- GOVT 2305 | Federal Government |
- GOVT 2306 | Texas Government |
- GOVT 2311 | Mexican-American Politics |

### Psychology
- PSYC 1300 | Learning Framework |
- PSYC 2301 | General Psychology |
- PSYC 2306 | Human Sexuality |
- PSYC 2307 | Adolescent Psychology I |
- PSYC 2308 | Child Psychology |
Register Now!

PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development
PSYC 2315 Psychology of Adjustment
PSYC 2316 Psychology of Personality
PSYC 2317 Statistical Methods in Psychology
PSYC 2319 Social Psychology

Chemistry
CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I
CHEM 1412 General Chemistry II
CHEM 2423 Organic Chemistry I
CHEM 2425 Organic Chemistry II

Physics
PHYS 1401 College Physics I
PHYS 1402 College Physics II
PHYS 2425 University Physics I
PHYS 2426 University Physics II

Social Work
SOCW 2361 Introduction to Social Work
SOCW 2362 Social Welfare as a Social Institution

Social Science

MATHEMATICS/NATURAL SCIENCES ELECTIVE OPTIONS FOR THE ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREES

MATHEMATICS
MATH 1316 Plane Trigonometry
MATH 1324 Mathematics for Business & Social Sciences
MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics
MATH 1350 Fundamentals of Mathematics I
MATH 1351 Fundamentals of Mathematics II
MATH 1414 College Algebra
MATH 1425 Calculus for Business & Social Sciences
MATH 1442 Elementary Statistics Methods
MATH 2412 Pre-Calculus Math
MATH 2413 Calculus I
MATH 2414 Calculus II
MATH 2415 Calculus III
MATH 2418 Linear Algebra
MATH 2420 Differential Equations

NATURAL SCIENCES

Biology
BIOL 1322 Nutrition and Diet Therapy I
BIOL 1406 Biology for Science Majors I
BIOL 1407 Biology for Science Majors II
BIOL 1408 Biology for Non-Science Majors I
BIOL 1409 Biology for Non-Science Majors II
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II
BIOL 2406 Environmental Biology
BIOL 2416 Genetics
BIOL 2420 Microbiology for Non-Science Majors
BIOL 2421 Microbiology for Science Majors

PHYS 1403 Stars and Galaxies
PHYS 1404 Solar System
PHYS 1415 Physical Science I
PHYS 1417 Physical Science II
GEOL 1403 Physical Geology
GEOL 1404 Historical Geology
GEOL 1445 Oceanography
GEOL 1447 Meteorology

*Check catalog for course pre-requisites
Students are admitted to South Texas College through the provisions of Board Policy 3200. General admission to the College does not imply admission to all programs of the College. Baccalaureate Degrees at South Texas College are Selective Programs with application requirements. Application requirements are included in the description of each program.

Organizational Leadership
  - Organizational Leadership (Bachelor of Applied Science) .................................................. 93

Computer and Information Technologies
  - Computer and Information Technologies (Bachelor of Applied Technology) ...................... 96

Medical and Health Services Management
  - Medical and Health Services Management (Bachelor of Applied Technology) .................. 100

Technology Management
  - Technology Management (Bachelor of Applied Technology) ............................................. 104

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Program Competencies:

1) Interpersonal Skills: Demonstrate the ability to establish productive relationships by communicating effectively individually and collectively. Students will be able to:
   a. Develop productive relationships through evaluating and explaining the pertinent characteristics of the individuals and groups in the organization.

2) Organizational Behavior: Identify, analyze, and solve organizational problems based on effectively functional and dysfunctional individual, team, and organizational behaviors. Students will be able to:
   a. Describe the organizational structure and function including individual and group dynamics and the identification of potential problems.

3) Problem Solving/Decision Making: Identify, analyze, and solve/recognize/predict organizational problems based on effective and ethical decision making through critical, reflective, and creative thought processes that apply appropriate techniques. Students will be able to:
   a. Given a case study students will be able to solve a problem and evaluate the appropriateness of a decision.

4) Change Management: Understand how the political, economic, social and technological forces in the environment influence organizational behavior, policy and practices. Students will be able to:
   a. Analyze why & how organizations resist change
   b. Explain a leader’s role in managing change
   c. Apply a structured change management process

5) Resource Management: Identify, allocate, and effectively manage resources, both tangible and intangible, necessary to accomplish the vision of the organization. Students will be able to:
   a. Identify tangible and intangible resources given an organizational situation.
   b. Manage work teams to accomplish the vision of the organization.
   c. Manage resources to complete an assigned task within a specified time.

6) Strategy/Operations Management: Understand strategic management skills in order to structure operations to support the vision of the organization.

7) Information Literacy: Identify, locate, evaluate, and effectively use information to address organizational concerns or tasks while observing appropriate security protocols. Students will be able to:
   a. Informational literacy- know the different types of information technology
   b. Identify multiple resources of information technology
   c. Know where to locate different types of technology, such as informal information, data and trends, published data, internet data, internal and external data
   d. Remain in compliance with security protocols.

8) Statistics/Applied Research: Collect, interpret, analyze, and select data to employ practical applications and facilitate sound decision making.
for all courses in the area of specialization, a grade of "B" or better in all competency-based courses, and a minimum overall cumulative average of "C" (2.0 G.P.A. in all other courses).

• Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.

Degree Components
General Education Courses........................42 SCH
Required Lower-Division Coursework............. 8 SCH
Lower-Division Electives.........................40 SCH
Required Upper-Division Coursework............ 30 SCH

LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

STC CORE CURRICULUM (42 Credit Hours)
The student is required to take 42 semester credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the Catalog. Students that declare the Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership degree have access to the competency-based format of the core curriculum.

Students beginning the Bachelor of Applied Science upper-level coursework upon completion of an approved Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree must complete an additional 27 general education credit hours in order to fulfill the forty-two (42) credit hour general education Core Curriculum required at South Texas College.

Students beginning the Bachelor of Applied Science upper-level coursework after completion of an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree will have fulfilled the Core Curriculum requirement for bachelor degree students.

LOWER-DIVISION ELECTIVES (48 Credit Hours)
Required Lower-Division Electives:
SPAN 1411 Beginning Spanish I for Non-Spanish Speakers ............. 4 SCH
SPAN 1412 Beginning Spanish II for Non-Spanish Speakers ............. 4 SCH

Foundation Curriculum
Entering freshmen are recommended to take the following five foundation courses as part of the 48-hour lower-division electives.

Course Number Title Semester Credit Hours
CRTH 2301 Critical Thinking ......................... 3 SCH
HRPO 2301 Human Resource Management .... 3 SCH
HRPO 2307 Organizational Behavior ............... 3 SCH
RESM 2301 Research Methods ...................... 3 SCH
BUSG 1303 Principles of Finance ................. 3 SCH

Additional Lower-Division Electives
Students may select from the following list of courses offered as competency-based to complete the 48-hour lower-division coursework:

Course Number Title Semester Credit Hours
BUSI 1301 Business Principles ..................... 3 SCH
BUSI 2301 Business Law .......................... 3 SCH
BUSG 2309 Small Business Management/Entrepreneurship ..... 3 SCH
BMGT 1301 Supervision ............................ 3 SCH

ACCT 2401 Principles of Financial Accounting ......... 4 SCH
ECON 2301 Principles of Economics - Macro .... 3 SCH
ECON 2302 Principles of Economics - Micro ...... 3 SCH
INF5 2301 Business Information Systems .......... 3 SCH
MATH 1442 Elementary Statistical Methods ....... 4 SCH
CRU 1301 Introduction to Criminal Justice ......... 3 SCH

*Note: Coursework from A.A.S. degrees will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Students entering the BAS program with a completed Associate of Science (A.S.) or Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree may apply their field of study coursework toward the lower-division electives.

UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

PREREQUISITES FOR UPPER-LEVEL COURSEWORK

• Junior Standing
  - Completion of an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree or completion of sixty (60) credit hours from a regionally accredited institution with at least fifteen (15) credit hours in general education coursework; or
  - Completion of an Associate of Arts (A.A.) or Associate of Science (A.S.) Degree from a regionally accredited institution.

• Senior Standing
  - A minimum of ninety (90) credit hours from a regionally accredited institution with at least twenty-one (21) credit hours in upper-level coursework.
  - A minimum GPA of 2.5 in previous coursework.

REQUIRED ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP MAJOR COURSES (30 Credit Hours)
The upper-division Organizational Leadership major coursework is a balance between theoretical and applied competencies associated with leading in a broad range of organizations. The degree is designed to educate and train students with relevant, applied knowledge of organizations and leadership within organizations. Students will practice developing leadership solutions for real-world problems. Leadership theory, practices, and applied learning will form the core requirements for this program.

Course Number Title Semester Credit Hours
ORGL 3311 Issues in Organizational Leadership .... 3 SCH
ORGL 3321 Data Driven Decision-Making I .......... 3 SCH
ORGL 3331 Data Driven Decision-Making II ........ 3 SCH
ORGL 3322 Behavior/Ethics/Leadership I ............ 3 SCH
ORGL 3332 Behavior/Ethics/Leadership II .......... 3 SCH
ORGL 4341 Management Theory I .................... 3 SCH
ORGL 4351 Management Theory II .................. 3 SCH
ORGL 4342 Organizational Change .................... 3 SCH
ORGL 4352 Capstone I ................................ 3 SCH
ORGL 4361 Capstone II ................................ 3 SCH
Bachelor of Applied Science

MAJOR: ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Three - Four Year Recommended Course Sequence (7 Week Terms)

All lower-division core curriculum and lower-division electives are offered 100% online and in a competency-based delivery format.

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|         | SPCH    | 1321     | Business & Professional Communication| 3   |
|         | SPAN    | 1411     | Beginning Spanish I                  | 4   |
|         | BUSI    | 1301     | Business Principles                  | 3   |
|         | BMGT    | 1301     | Supervision                          | 3   |
| Spring  | SPAN    | 1412     | Beginning Spanish II                 | 4   |
|         | CRTH    | 2301     | Critical Thinking                    | 3   |
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|         | CRJU    | 1301     | Introduction to Criminal Justice           | 3   |
|         | MATH    | 1442     | Elementary Statistical Methods             | 4   |
|         | INFS    | 2301     | Business Information Systems               | 3   |
| Spring  | ACCT    | 2401     | Principles of Financial Accounting         | 4   |
|         | ORGL    | 3311     | Issues in Organizational Leadership        | 3   |
|         | ORGL    | 3321     | Data Driven Decision-Making I              | 3   |
|         | ORGL    | 3322     | Behavior/Ethics/Leadership I              | 3   |
|         | ORGL    | 3331     | Data Driven Decision-Making II             | 3   |
|         | ORGL    | 3332     | Behavior/Ethics/Leadership II              | 3   |
|         | ORGL    | 4341     | Management Theory I                       | 3   |
|         | ORGL    | 4342     | Organizational Change                     | 3   |

YEAR 4

| Term    | ORGL    | 4351     | Management Theory II                   | 3   |
|         | ORGL    | 4352     | Capstone I                             | 3   |
|         |         | ORGL    | Capstone II                            | 3   |

B.A.S-Organizational Leadership 95
This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

The Bachelor of Applied Technology Degree (BAT) in Computer and Information Technologies (CIT) prepares students for successful careers in the field of CIT. Coursework is balanced between theoretical and technical competencies associated with the CIT profession to prepare graduates for a number of demands placed on CIT professionals. The degree is designed to educate and train students with relevant, technical knowledge of CIT practice to provide solutions for real-world problems as well as to provide technical support for computer-based information systems. Technology-oriented coursework with an emphasis on computer application of those technologies will form the core requirements for this program.

The program's objectives include promoting academic development in a number of ways. The program offers a required capstone course that will enhance the educational experience and employment potential for students. The program will also include a strong professional component to develop skills in technical communication, ethics, and group work. Students graduating from the program will be prepared to enter the private sector as well as continue their education.

Through the Bachelor of Applied Technology in Computer and Information Technologies outcomes, the student will be able to:

- Identify the basic components of information system, utilizing the system development, conduct a preliminary investigation of a system, determine the system requirements and analysis, develop information system design, and demonstrate proficiency of principals of system analysis and design (CITP 3305);
- Use common structure in the programming language, enhance the functionality of a web page using scripting language, write control statements that logically control the flow of the program, and use both console and file input and output in a syntactically and logically correct way (CITP 3310);
- Create a functional and visually recognizable interface, retrieve data from and insert data into a database using a standard connection library. Create, control, and terminate one or more threads, and use standard TCP/IP protocols to connect a software client to a software server (CITP 4350);
- Design and develop dynamic web pages utilizing server-side technology, develop data-driven web applications by applying database management techniques, and apply and implement programming and security techniques in the development of web applications (CITP 4516);
- Prepare image for display, including repairing damage, cropping and color adjustments. Cleanly remove undesired elements to include text or background materials, and create images that animate when viewed (CITP 3360);
- Master the essential concepts of relational database model, write database in SQL language, designing and implement a database using Oracle, enhance problem solving skills for the development and maintenance of a relational database system (CITP 3320);
- Integrate the specialized skills and knowledge presented throughout other courses to complete a system project (CITP 4340);
- Identify and define terminology, hardware, and software components of computer networking, utilize equipments, protocols, and topologies to differentiate between various network systems. Demonstrate skills in installing network hardware, software, and cable; troubleshoot network connectivity; configure network protocol; and install and configure network client software (CITP 3302);
- Review security plan to ensure appropriate level of protection; implement network security design; audit network system based on security design; use relevant tools to maintain security requirements; and review all security policies and procedures on a regular basis (CITP 3312);
- Describe different technologies used in the telecommunications industry; identify various architectures used in the telecommunications industry; name the protocols in the telecommunications industry; explain the application of technologies, architectures, and protocols used in the telecommunications industry (CITP 4345);
- Prepare an in-depth study in the designing, installing and administration of Windows and Linux-based servers. Use of scripting languages to administer servers will be used (CITP 3306).

BACHELOR OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

Application Requirements:

A. Demonstrate proficiency in state mandated general knowledge content through approved means; i.e., Texas Success Initiatives (TSI), with program specific exemptions accepted.

B. Applicants are eligible for admission if they meet one of the following criteria:

a. An ACT Composite of 19 (minimum of 16 in all areas) or above (SAT 910 or above).

b. Applicants with prior college level coursework must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or provide evidence of extenuating circumstances, to the Dean for Math, Science & Bachelor Programs, for waiving the requirement.

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c. Provisional Acceptance, for students scoring a minimum ACT Composite of 15 (SAT 740 or above) or minimum cumulative GPA of 2.25 may be granted by the Dean for Math, Science & Bachelor Programs upon completion of a personal interview with the prospective applicant.

**DEGREE COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS**

**Minimum Completion Requirements**
- Complete the appropriate course of study for a Bachelor of Applied Technology program as specified in the College catalog. Developmental or other non-credit coursework does not apply toward graduation requirements.
- South Texas College will accept a maximum of 90 semester credits of applicable course work transferred from another accredited college or university toward a Bachelor of Applied Technology Degree granted by STC.
- Completion of at least 39 credit hours in 3000 level courses or higher of which at least 18 must be completed at STC;
- Maintain a minimum average of “C” (2.0 G.P.A.) for all courses in the area of specialization and a minimum overall cumulative average of “C” (2.0 G.P.A. in all other courses).
- Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.

**Degree Components**
- **General Education Courses**
  - 42 SCH
- **Technical Support Areas-Lower Level**
  - 39-40 SCH
- **Required CIT Courses-Upper Level**
  - 36 SCH
- **CIT Electives-Upper-Level**
  - 3 SCH
  
**LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

**STC Core Curriculum (42 Credit Hours)**
The student is required to take 42 semester credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the Catalog. Students must take MATH 1414 to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum.

Students beginning the Bachelor of Applied Technology Program upper-level coursework upon completion of an approved Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree must complete an additional 27 general education credit hours in order to fulfill the forty-two (42) credit hour general education Core Curriculum required at South Texas College.

Students beginning the Bachelor of Applied Technology Program upper-level coursework after completion of an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree will have fulfilled the Core Curriculum requirement for bachelor degree graduates.

**TECHNICAL SUPPORT AREAS**

**(39-40 Semester Credit Hours)**
The student is required to complete 39-40 semester credit hours of technical specialty coursework from an approved Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree. The 39-40 semester credit hours must include 4 of the courses (15-16 semester credit hours) listed below. The approved A.A.S. degrees are as follows: Information Technology, Architectural and Engineering Design Technology, Business Administration, Administrative Office Assistant, Legal Office Assistant, and Paralegal. Coursework from other A.A.S. degrees will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

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**Total Credit Hours**
- 15-16

*Note: Students entering the B.A.T program with a completed Associate of Science (A.S.) or Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree may apply their field of study coursework toward the 24 semester credit hour technical specialty requirement.

**UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

**PREREQUISITES FOR UPPER-LEVEL COURSEWORK**
- **Junior Standing**
  - Completion of an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree or completion of sixty (60) credit hours from a regionally accredited institution with at least fifteen (15) credit hours in general education coursework; or
  - Completion of an Associate of Arts (A.A.) or Associate of Science (A.S.) Degree from a regionally accredited institution.
- **Senior Standing**
  - A minimum of ninety (90) credit hours from a regionally accredited institution with at least twenty-one (21) credit hours in upper-level coursework.
  - A minimum GPA of 2.5 in previous coursework.

**REQUIRED COMPUTER & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES**

**Major Courses**

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**COMPUTER & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES**

**Degree Plan**

**STC Core Curriculum**

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- Creative Arts Elective – Core Curriculum ........................................ 3 |
- Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum ........................................ 3 |
- Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective – Core Curriculum ........................................ 3 |

**Total Credit Hours:** 42

### Technical Specialty

**Foundational Courses (Required)**

- ITNW 1425 Fundamentals of Networking Technologies and...
- ITNW 2421 Networking with TCP/IP ................................. 8 |
- OR
- CPMT 1449 Computer Networking Technology and...
- CPMT 2449 Advanced Computer Networking Technology ................................. 6 |
- ITSE 1431 Introduction to Visual Basic Programming or...
- COSC 1430 Computer Programming .................................. 4 |
- ITSE 1411 Beginning Web Page Programming or...
- COSC 1315 Fundamentals of Programming .......... 3-4

**Total Credit Hours:** 15-16

### Technical Specialty Courses

**Technical Specialty Courses**

Technical Courses from a completed A.A.S. degree in one of the following program areas will fulfill this requirement: Information Technology, Architectural and Engineering Design Technology, Business Administration, Administrative Office Assistant, Legal Office Assistant, and Paralegal. Coursework from other A.A.S. degrees will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

*Note: Students entering the BAT program with a completed A.A. or A.S. degree may apply their Field of Study coursework towards this requirement. Any additional hours needed to complete the 24 hours of Technical Specialty coursework should be taken from one of the approved A.A.S. degrees.*

**Total Credit Hours:** 24

### Required Upper-Division Courses

**Professional Courses**

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### Computer and Information Technologies

**Elective Courses (3 hours):** Students are required to choose one course from the following prescribed elective courses.

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**Total Credit Hours:** 3

**TOTAL PROGRAM CREDIT HOURS:** 120-121
# Bachelor of Applied Technology

**MAJOR:** COMPUTER AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES

## Four Year Course Sequence

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### List of Computer and Information Technology Electives:

- CTP 3301 Capstone: Computer and Information Technologies Internship
- CTP 4340 Special Topics Course - CIT
- TMGT 3338 Accounting for Technical Managers
- TMGT 3311 Technology in Enterprise Management
- TMGT 3336 Management and Law

**B.A.T.-Computer and Information Technologies**
Bachelor of Applied Technology in

Medical and Health Services Management

This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

The Bachelor of Applied Technology Degree (B.A.T.) in Medical and Health Services Management will prepare graduates for entry to mid-level management positions in a health care or medical facility.

Graduates of this program will provide valuable expertise in the area of health care systems management, finance, medical staff roles and responsibilities, reimbursement mechanisms, the electronic medical record, privacy issues, and legal issues related to the health care industry.

Through the Bachelor of Applied Technology in Medical and Health Services Management outcomes, the student will be able to demonstrate:

• the ability to incorporate clinical, operational, financial, and statistical data into health care manager decision-making;
• the ability to communicate, both verbally and in written form, to a variety of health care audiences and situations;
• the knowledge of the impact of the multitude of business and health care laws on a health care institution;
• the ability to create and manage a health care institution budget with consideration to both current and potential future revenues and costs;
• the ability to select, implement and utilize a health care information software system and all potential ancillary devices which may interface with it;
• the ability to interpret JCAHO standards for a health care institution and to implement a method of quality assurance best suited for the situation;
• the ability to identify potential sources of litigation risk and to appropriately select risk minimization measures;
• the knowledge of the unique requirements of hiring licensed health care personnel, maintaining personnel records, and determining schedules, wages and benefits in the health care setting;
• the ability to make the most ethical decision at a given moment during daily operations, health care resource shortages, and a disaster; and
• the ability to comprehend, analyze, and apply local epidemiological data to health care institution decision-making.

BACHELOR OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

Application Requirements:

A. Demonstrate proficiency in state mandated general knowledge content through approved means; i.e., Texas Success Initiative (TSI), with program specific exemptions accepted.

B. Applicants are eligible for admission if they meet one of the following criteria:
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• Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.

Degree Components

General Education Courses ......................... 42 SCH
Technical Support Areas------------------------ 33 SCH
Medical and Health Services
Management Required Courses............. 39 SCH
Medical and Health Services
Management Electives ......................... 6 SCH

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LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

STC CORE CURRICULUM (42 Credit Hours)
The student is required to take 42 semester credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the Catalog. Students beginning the Bachelor of Applied Technology Program upper-level coursework upon completion of an approved Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree must complete an additional 27 general education credit hours in order to fulfill the forty-two (42) credit hour general education Core Curriculum required at South Texas College.

Students beginning the Bachelor of Applied Technology Program upper-level coursework after completion of an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree will have fulfilled the Core Curriculum requirement for bachelor degree graduates.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT AREAS (33 Credit Hours)
The student is required to complete 33 semester credit hours of technical specialty coursework from an approved Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree. The 33 semester credit hours must include the 3 courses (9 semester credit hours) listed below. The remaining 24 semester credit hours must be earned within an approved A.A.S. degree. The approved A.A.S. degrees are as follows: Associate Degree Nursing, EMT Paramedic, Health Information Technology, Medical Assistant Technology, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Pharmacy Technology, Physical Therapist Assistant, Radiologic Technology, Respiratory Therapy, Business Administration, and Human Resources Management.

Course Number   Course Title   Semester Credit Hours
ACCT 2401   Principles of Financial Accounting       .4
HITT 1255   Health Care Statistics..........................2
HITT 1301   Health Data Content and Structure............3

*Note: Students entering the BAT program with a completed Associate of Science (A.S.) or Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree may apply their field of study coursework toward the 33 semester credit hour technical specialty requirement.

UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

PREREQUISITES FOR UPPER-LEVEL COURSEWORK

- Junior Standing
  - Completion of an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree or completion of sixty (60) credit hours from a regionally accredited institution with at least fifteen (15) credit hours in general education coursework; or
  - Completion of an Associate of Arts (A.A.) or Associate of Science (A.S.) Degree from a regionally accredited institution.
- Senior Standing
  - A minimum of ninety (90) credit hours from a regionally accredited institution with at least twenty-one (21) credit hours in upper-level coursework.
  - A minimum GPA of 2.5 in previous coursework.

REQUIRED MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES MANAGEMENT

Major Courses (39 Credit Hours)
The upper-division Medical and Health Services Management major courses educate students in the fundamentals of health care systems management, finance, medical staff roles and responsibilities, reimbursement mechanisms, the electronic medical record, privacy issues, and legal issues related to the health care industry.

Course Number   Course Title   Credit Hours
MHSM 3302   U.S. Health Care Delivery.....................3
MHSM 3303   Statistics for Health Care Managers.........3
MHSM 3304   Communication for Health Care Professionals.............3
MHSM 3310   Legal Issues in Health Care...............3
MHSM 3335   Financial Management for Health Care Managers........3
MHSM 3411   Health Care Information Technology.......4
TMGT 3310   Decision Making................................3
MHSM 4304   Risk Management for Health Professionals..................3
MHSM 4310   Human Resources in Health Care Management..................3
MHSM 4346   Ethics for Health Care Professionals........3
MHSM 4351   Public and Community Health Management.................3
MHSM 4551   Health Care Management Practicum...............5

Medical and Health Services Management Elective Courses (6 Credit Hours, student must select two courses from the following list:)

CITP 3360   Digital Image Processing and Presentation................3
MHSM 4352   Project Management for Healthcare..............3
TMGT 3321   Supply Chain Management........................3
TMGT 4341   Purchasing and Supply Management............3
TMGT 4342   Supply Chain Security..........................3
TMGT 3311   Technology Enterprise Management...............3

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Bachelor of Applied Technology
MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES MANAGEMENT

Degree Plan

STC Core Curriculum Credit Hours
ENGL 1301 Composition I 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II – Rhetoric 3
MATH 1414 College Algebra (or MATH 2412, or MATH 2413) 4
HIST 1301 United States History I or HIST 2327 3
HIST 1302 United States History II or HIST 2328 3
GOVT 2305 Federal Government 3
GOVT 2306 Texas Government 3
PSYC 2301 General Psychology, or 2306, or 2307, 2314, 2317; or SOCI 1301, 1306, 2301, or 2319 3
Component Area Option – Core Curriculum 3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum 4
Life and Physical Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum 4
Creative Arts Elective – Core Curriculum 3
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective – Core Curriculum 3

Total Credit Hours: 42

Technical Specialty Courses

Foundational Courses (Required)
ACCT 2401 Principles of Financial Accounting 4
HITT 1255 Health Care Statistics 2
HITT 1301 Health Data Content and Structure 3

Total Credit Hours: 9

Technical Specialty courses

Technical Hours from a completed A.A.S. degree will fulfill this requirement.

Note: Students entering the BAT program with a completed A.A. or A.S. degree may apply their Field of Study coursework towards this requirement. Any additional hours needed to complete the 24 hours of Technical Specialty coursework should be taken from an approved A.A.S. degree.

Total Credit Hours: 24

Required Upper-Division

Professional Courses Credit Hours
MHSM 3302 U.S. Health Care Delivery 3
MHSM 3303 Statistics for Health Care Managers 3
MHSM 3304 Communication for Health Care Professionals 3
MHSM 3310 Legal Issues in Health Care 3
MHSM 3335 Financial Management for Health Care Managers 3
MHSM 3411 Health Care Information Technology 4
TMGT 3310 Decision Making 3
MHSM 4304 Risk Management for Health Professionals 3
MHSM 4310 Human Resources in Health Care Management 3
MHSM 4348 Ethics for Health Care Professionals 3
MHSM 4351 Public and Community Health Management 3
MHSM 4551 Health Care Management Practicum 5

Total Credit Hours: 39

Elective Upper-Division Professional Courses

(Students must take 6 credit hours from the following list)
CITP 3360 Digital Image Processing and Presentation 3
MHSM 4352 Project Management for Healthcare 3
TMGT 3321 Supply Chain Management 3
TMGT 4341 Purchasing and Supply Management 3
TMGT 4342 Supply Chain Security 3
TMGT 3311 Technology Enterprise Management 3

Total Credit Hours: 6

TOTAL PROGRAM CREDIT HOURS 120

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Bachelor of Applied Technology

**MAJOR: MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES MANAGEMENT**

**Four Year Course Sequence**

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Graduates are educated in the fundamentals of business management, finance, information technology and manufacturing. The curriculum provides a broad training experience through general education courses in a variety of disciplines, core program courses in technology management, elective courses with specialization options and specialized projects and seminars that provide a window into the real world. The choice of electives permits students to tailor their studies toward their own careers and personal goals.

Through the Bachelor of Applied Technology in Technology Management outcomes, the student will be able to demonstrate are to:

- supervise and manage the financial operations of a business;
- utilize management and motivational theories to enhance the performance of employees and workteams;
- use project and quality management strategies to successfully manage and secure organizational resources;
- apply oral and written communication skills and leverage technology to enhance communications;
- manage the organization or the business unit within legal and ethical boundaries;
- employ creative and critical thinking processes to resolve problems of the business unit;
- use appropriate electronic commerce strategies to enhance profitability of the organization;
- exhibit analytical thought, informed judgment, ethical behavior, and an appreciation for diversity;
- utilize appropriate information technology systems to enhance organizational performance;
- understand the challenges involved in conducting international business and its impact on the future growth of the organization; and
- obtain hands-on training and apply concepts and theories in a workplace setting.

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Technology Management

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Technology Management Electives ..............15 SCH
LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

STC CORE CURRICULUM (42 Credit Hours)
The student is required to take 42 semester credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 101 in the Catalog. Technology Management majors are recommended to take ECON 2301 - Principles of Economics I - MACRO to fulfill the Social & Behavioral Science component of the Core Curriculum. Technology Management majors must take MATH 1414 to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum.

Students beginning the Bachelor of Applied Technology Program upper-level coursework upon completion of an approved Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree must complete an additional 27 general education credit hours in order to fulfill the forty-two (42) credit hour general education Core Curriculum required at South Texas College.

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TECHNICAL SUPPORT AREAS (33 Credit Hours)
The student is required to complete 33 semester credit hours of technical specialty coursework from an approved Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree. The 33 semester credit hours must include the 5 courses (16 semester credit hours) listed below. The approved A.A.S. degrees are as follows: Business Administration, Information Technology, Child Care and Development, Architectural and Engineering Design Technology, Culinary Arts, Legal Office Assistant, Administrative Office Assistant, Nursing, Paralegal, Advanced Manufacturing Technology, and Radiologic Technology. Coursework from other A.A.S. degrees will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

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UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

PREREQUISITES FOR UPPER-LEVEL COURSEWORK

- Completion of an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree or completion of sixty (60) credit hours from a regionally accredited institution with at least fifteen (15) credit hours in general education coursework; or

- Completion of an Associate of Arts (A.A.) or Associate of Science (AS) Degree from a regionally accredited institution.

- Senior Standing:
  - A minimum of ninety (90) credit hours from a regionally accredited institution with at least twenty-one (21) credit hours in upper-level coursework.
  - A minimum GPA of 2.5 in previous coursework.

REQUIRED TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT

Major Courses (30 Credit Hours)
The upper-division Technology Management major courses educate students in the fundamentals of business management, finance, information technology, and manufacturing, while building upon skills already learned in the technical support areas. The curriculum design provides a broad training experience through general education courses in a variety of disciplines, core program courses in technology management, elective courses with specialization options and specialized projects and seminars that provide a window into the real world. The choice of electives permits students to tailor their studies toward their own careers and personal goals, giving them more opportunity for advancement and promotion to supervisory or managerial positions within their chosen occupational field.

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Bachelor of Applied Technology

TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT

Degree Plan

STC Core Curriculum  Credit Hours
ENGL 1301  Composition I  3
ENGL 1302  Composition II-Rhetoric  3
MATH 1414  College Algebra  4
HIST 1301  United States History I  3
HIST 1302  United States History II  3
GOVT 2305  Federal Government  3
GOVT 2306  Texas Government  3

Required Upper-Division  Credit Hours
TMGT 3302  Business and Economic Statistics  3
TMGT 3303  Managerial Report and Documentation  3
TMGT 3305  Organizational Theory and Practice  3
TMGT 3310  Decision Making  3
TMGT 3312  Resource Management  3
TMGT 3336  Management and Law  3
TMGT 3337  Decision Making and Economics  3
TMGT 3338  Accounting for Managers  3
TMGT 4304  Safety and Risk Management  3
TMGT 4347  CAPSTONE: Technology Management Practicum  3

Total Credit Hours.......................... 17

Total Credit Hours.......................... 16

Technical Specialty courses

Technical Specializations:

Project Management
TMGT 3311  Technology Enterprise Management  3
TMGT 4320  Organizational Management and Design Seminar  3
TMGT 4355  The Manager and Civic Engagement Seminar  3
Any Upper-Level CITP Course  3

Total Credit Hours.......................... 15

TOTAL PROGRAM
CREDIT HOURS .............................. 120

Specializations:

Supply Chain Management
TMGT 3321  Supply Chain Management  3
TMGT 3322  Logistics Management  3
TMGT 4341  Purchasing and Supply Management  3
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Total Credit Hours.......................... 42

Elective Upper-Division Professional Courses

Academic specialization coursework should be taken from the Business Administration A.A.S. technical courses.

(Students must take 15 credit hours from the following list. Refer below for course selections by specializations.)

Technical Specialty courses

Elective Upper-Division Professional Courses

Total Credit Hours.......................... 30

Technical Specialty coursework from a completed A.A.S. degree will fulfill this requirement.

Technical Specialty coursework requirements:

Elective Upper-Division Professional Courses

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Note: Students entering the BAT program with a completed A.A. or A.S. degree may apply their Field of Study coursework towards this requirement. Any additional hours needed to complete the 17 hours of Technical Specialty coursework should be taken from the Business Administration A.A.S. technical courses.
Bachelor of Applied Technology

MAJOR: TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT

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Business and Technology

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Advanced Manufacturing Technology

The Precision Manufacturing Technology program is the first in the State of Texas to earn NIMS accreditation.

The National Institute for Metalworking Skills (NIMS) is the nation’s only ANSI accredited developer of precision manufacturing skill standards and competency assessments. NIMS certifies an individual skills against standards and accredits programs that meet its quality requirements. NIMS stakeholders represent over 6,000 American companies.

The Precision Manufacturing Certificate program provides an environment to develop technical skills that are highly marketable to the area’s industries. Most of the courses are set up to stimulate actual working environments.

Technical coursework begins in the first semester in order to develop a common skill base for the program. During this first semester the student will learn how to use computers to read and use industrial prints, and gain technical skills.

**Precision Manufacturing Technology Certificate**
This curriculum offers training on a variety machine tools commonly used in most shops with emphasis on practical machining skills. Classroom analysis of various jobs and machine operations increases the student’s capabilities as a machinist. General mathematics and communications skills are included to prepare students to work with technical advances in the machining industry.

Students are eligible to take the National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS) certification exams, which are administered at South Texas College by certified faculty. Upon completion, this specialty will allow the student to continue in the Precision Manufacturing Technology’s two-year Associate of Applied Science Degree program or permit the student to work in a highly rewarding career field in industry.

**Fast Start Precision Manufacturing Certificate**
In this program students will engage in technical coursework to gain technical skills in general basic manufacturing. The curriculum will incorporate a variety of course studies and machine equipment. This program will consist of six classes; online, hybrid and others available as test out options to facilitate the earning of credits and provide a faster route to the workforce.

This program is geared toward students that have at least one year of industry experience. Participating students will need to complete at least three National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS) credentials in order to complete the program.

**Precision Manufacturing Technology Associate of Applied Science**
This is designed to provide students with the opportunity for hands-on experience necessary for employment as a technician in the computer enhanced manufacturing process. Full size equipment is utilized. Through the integration of mathematics, metallurgy, programmable machinery, shop skills, and computer-assisted machining techniques, students can acquire the necessary skills for employment in an industrial environment. Graduates are eligible to take the National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS) certification exams, which are administered at South Texas College by certified faculty.

Technical coursework includes: machine tool labs, AutoCAD, CNC programming and operation, parametric solid modeling, and manufacturing materials and processes. Specialty coursework includes: CAD/CAM, tool and fixture design, and advanced machine tooling.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
Advisory Committee Chair - Trung Nguyen, Royal Technologies; Felix Guerrero, Tooling Engineer-Alpha XL Mold & Tool; Julio Guerrero, Tooling Engineer-Alpha XL Mold & Tool; Cliff Mahathey, Director of Operations – EMU Plastics; Cesario Pina, Plant Manager – Universal Metal Products; Scott Cooley, Plant Manager – Cinch Connectivity; Feroz Ummer, ALPS Automotive; Mike Willis, Director of STMA.
# Precision Manufacturing Technology

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Automotive Technology
Certificate and Associate of Applied Science

The Automotive Technology program is designed to prepare students for an entry-level employment in the high technology automotive service industry.

Students will gain knowledge in automotive heating and air conditioning systems, electrical/electronic systems, fuel injection, both manual and automatic transmissions/transaxles, engine performance, brake systems, steering and suspension systems, and computerized automotive control systems. Emphasis will be placed on hands-on learning in the labs to develop diagnostic and troubleshooting skills, as well as repair procedures.

Graduates of the Automotive Technology program are typically placed in dealerships, independent garages and specialty automotive repair facilities and quick service shops. Courses taken for completion of the Certificate Program can be applied toward completion of the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Automotive Technology.

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AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Chet Hatzold, Service Specialist, Hunter Equipment; Bill Seawell, Automotive Sales, Petroleum Solutions PSI; Manuel Maciel, Instructor, La Joya High School; Joe Campos Owner Miday Auto & Truck Service; Joe Gonzalez, Salesman, Burton Auto Supply; Eddie DeLeon, NAPA Auto Parts Sales; Ben Abbit Owner All Tune & Lube; Mike Guzman, Autozone Auto Parts; Mauricio Garza, Autozone Auto Parts; Hector , O’Rielly’s Auto Parts, Juaquin Baeza, O’Rielly’s Auto Parts, Silvestre Vargas, Silvestre’s Truck and Auto; Scott Vaughan, Burton Auto Parts

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FORD-YAATC TECHNOLOGY

Rey Montemayor, Service Manager, Boggus Ford; Luciano Gonzalez, Automotive Supervisor, U.S. Customs; Esteban Pena, Automotive Work Leader, U.S. Customs; Judy Torres, Service Manager, Spikes Ford; Mario Cardenas, Service Manager, Spikes Ford; Gil Flesner, Service Manager, Hacienda Ford; Albert Villareal, Owner, Cornerstone Firestone Tire; Eli Pena, Cornerstone Tire; Alex Diaz, Spikes Ford
AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

CERTIFICATE

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FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
AUMT 1201 Introduction & Theory of Automotive Technology .......... 2
AUMT 1407 Automotive Electrical Systems ........... 4
AUMT 1410 Automotive Brake Systems .......... 4
AUMT 1416 Automotive Suspension and Steering Systems ........ 4

SECOND SEMESTER
AUMT 1419 Automotive Engine Repair .......... 4
AUMT 2417 Automotive Engine Performance Analysis I .......... 4
AUMT 2425 Automotive Automatic Transmission & Transaxle .......... 4

THIRD SEMESTER
AUMT 2313 Automotive Drive Train and Axles ....................... 3
AUMT 1345 Automotive Climate Control Systems ........ 3
AUMT 2434 Automotive Engine Performance Analysis II .......... 4
AUMT 1266 CAPSTONE: Practicum I ............ 2

Total Credit Hours: .......... 38

FORD YOUTH AND ADULT TRAINING PROGRAM

CERTIFICATE

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AUMT1345 Automotive Climate Control Systems .................. 3
AUMT 1410 Automotive Brake Systems ........... 4
AUMT 1416 Automotive Suspension and Steering Systems ........ 4
AUMT 1407 Automotive Electrical Systems .......... 4
AUMT 1391 CAPSTONE: Ford YAATC Certification ............... 3

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Specialization:
Architectural and Civil Engineering Technology Certificate
This degree is designed to assist students in preparing architectural, structural and civil construction documents for commercial, industrial and civil projects. Students are trained in various industry standard software including AutoCad, Revit, Microstation and Civil 3D to produce construction documents. They develop skills in the production of working/study models, Building Information Modeling (BIM), 3D printing and through specialized courses learn basic civil engineering technologies and surveying techniques. In addition, students are introduced to architecture through an academic course and provided an opportunity to transfer credit to a four-year institution.

Specialization:
Architectural and Engineering Design Technology Certificate
This specialization is designed to provide a pathway to the fields of architectural, visual, and civil engineering technologies. Students take basic courses that introduce them to a wide range of disciplines in the design-build community. In addition, students are introduced to architecture through an academic course and provided an opportunity to transfer credit to a four-year institution.

Specialization:
Architectural and Visual Technology Certificate
This program prepares students for careers in the design, building, and general business sectors. Students learn to communicate design solutions for architects, engineers, builders, and development companies through construction documents and numerous 2D and 3D visualizations. Students are trained in various industry standard software including AutoCad, Revit, Photoshop, and Illustrator. Upon completion of this program, students will be skilled in emerging technologies such as 3D printing, Building Information Modeling (BIM), and advanced graphic techniques. In addition, students are introduced to architecture through an academic course and provided an opportunity to transfer credit to a four-year institution.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES
Hugo Avila, Engineer, Halff Associates; Alejandro Folchi, Amtech Building Services; Jose Vela, Designer, Sigma HN Engineering; Sergio Castillo, Revit Specialist, ERO Architects. Yvette Barrera, City Engineer, City of McAllen; Oscar Lopez, President, Lopez Engineering Group, Inc.; Mohammad Azarbayejany – Professor at the Civil Engineering program at UTPA; Katrin Leonard – Associate, Raba-Kistner Consultants, Inc.; Carolina Civarolo, Architect, Orange Made LLC; John Gates, Principal Architect, Boultinghouse Simpson Gates Architects; Eugene Palacios, Project Manager, LNV Inc.; Manuel Hinojosa, FAIA, ROFA Architects.
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Architectural & Engineering Design Technology

Specialization:

**ARCHITECTURAL AND VISUAL TECHNOLOGY**

**ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

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Business Administration

Accounting Clerk, Certificate
This program is designed to prepare students for an entry-level position in the field of Accounting. Graduates of this program will have the skills, knowledge, and abilities to perform general accounting duties.

Import/Export, Certificate
The Import/Export certificate prepares students for an entry-level position with import/export businesses such as custom brokers, freight forwarders, commercial carriers, and international businesses. The graduates of this program will have the basic knowledge to take the custom broker exam.

Logistics, Certificate
The Logistics Management Certificate prepares students for entry-level positions in the growing field of warehousing/logistics. The graduates of this program will have the basic knowledge to perform general support services in warehousing/logistics operations.

Management, Certificate
This program will prepare students for an entry-level position in the private or public sector. Graduates of this program will have the skills, knowledge, and abilities to perform general managerial duties.

Marketing, Certificate
This program will prepare students for an entry-level position in the field of marketing and sales. Graduates of this program will have the skills, knowledge, and abilities to perform general marketing duties.

Specialization: Accounting Associate of Applied Science
This program will prepare students for entry into the accounting profession. The two-year program emphasizes internal accounting procedures and generally accepted principles as they apply to external reporting.

Specialization: Import/Export/Logistics Associate of Applied Science
This program will prepare students for entry into the import/export/logistics profession. It is designed to update and expand the skills of those already working in the field, as well as assist those individuals who are considering the import/export/logistics field as a profession. The graduates of this program will have the basic knowledge to take the custom broker exam.

Specialization: Management Associate of Applied Science
This program will prepare students for various managerial positions such as entry-level management trainee. The program will prepare students in areas such as communication skills, accounting, human resource management, marketing, problem solving and decision-making.

Specialization: Marketing Associate of Applied Science
This program will prepare students for an entry-level position in marketing and sales. The program will prepare students in areas such as communication skills, sales, product design, advertisement, and public relations.

Business Administration (Transfer Plan) Field of Study Associate of Arts
This degree designed for those students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university to earn a Bachelor of Business Administration a Bachelor of Arts, or a Bachelor of Science Degree. Students take classes to complete state general education requirements and a combination of business classes in accounting, computers, and economics which fulfill the Associate of Art Degree in Business Administration. Upon transferring to a four-year college or university, students may choose a concentration in Accounting, Economics, General Business, Finance, International Business, Information Systems, Management, or Marketing.

Note: All of the above Business Administration programs are ACBSP Accredited.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

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IMPORT / EXPORT / LOGISTICS
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MARKETING
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ACCOUNTING CLERK

CERTIFICATE

TSI EXEMPT

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
ACNT 1303 Introduction to Accounting I ........ 3
COSC 1301 Introduction to Computing or ITSC 1409 ......................... 3-4
BUSI 1301 Business Principles .................... 3
BMGT 1305 Communications in Management ................ 3
BNKG 1340 Money and Financial Markets ........ 3

SECOND SEMESTER
ACNT 1304 Introduction to Accounting II or ACCT 2401 ......................... 3-4
ACNT 1311 Introduction to Computerized Accounting ................ 3
ACNT 1329 Payroll & Business Tax Accounting ......................... 3
BMGT 1301 Supervision .................................. 3

THIRD SEMESTER
BMGT 2168 CAPSTONE: Accounting Practicum ......................... 1

Total Credit Hours: ....... 28

LOGISTICS

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COSC 1301 Introduction to Computing or ITSC 1409 ......................... 3-4
BMGT 1391 Business Conduct .................... 3
LMGT 1319 Introduction to Business Logistics ............... 3

SECOND SEMESTER
BNKG 1340 Money and Financial Markets ........ 3
BMGT 1305 Communications in Management ....................... 3
LMGT 1321 Principles of Material Management ......................... 3
LMGT 1325 Warehouse and Distribution Center Management ........... 3

SUMMER SESSION
BMGT 2268 CAPSTONE: Business Administration Practicum .......... 2

Total Credit Hours: ....... 26

IMPORT/EXPORT

CERTIFICATE

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FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
ACNT 1303 Introduction to Accounting I ......... 3
BMGT 1325 Principles of Exports ..................... 3

SECOND SEMESTER
BNKG 1340 Money and Financial Markets ........ 3
BMGT 1305 Communications in Management ................. 3

THIRD SEMESTER
IBUS 2371 Import Customs Regulations II ........ 3
BMGT 2268 CAPSTONE: Business Administration Practicum .......... 2

Total Credit Hours: ....... 29

MANAGEMENT

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ACNT 1303 Introduction to Accounting I ......... 3
BMGT 1305 Communications in Management ................. 3
BMGT 1391 Business Conduct .................... 3

SECOND SEMESTER
POFI 2301 Word Processing .......................... 3
BMGT 1305 Communications in Management ................. 3
ACNT 1329 Payroll & Business Tax Accounting ......................... 3
HRPO 2301 Human Resources Management ....................... 3
BUSG 2309 Small Business Management/Entrepreneurship .... 3
BMGT 2268 CAPSTONE: Business Administration Practicum .......... 2

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**Certification:**

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## Business Administration

Specialization:

**IMPORT/EXPORT/LOGISTICS**

**ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

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| **BNKG 1340** Money and Financial Markets | 3 |
| **BMGT 1305** Communications in Management | 3 |
| **LMGT 1319** Introduction to Business Logistics | 3 |

### THIRD SEMESTER

**Import/Export/Logistics Elective***

| **BUSI 2301** Business Law | 3 |
| **SPCH 1321** Business & Professional Communication | 3 |
| **MRKG 1301** Customer Relationship Management | 3 |

### FOURTH SEMESTER

**Import/Export/Logistics Elective***

| **ECON 2301** Principles of Economics I-Macro | 3 |
| **Social/Behavioral Sciences Elective** | 3 |
| **Humanities Elective** | 3 |
| **BMGT 1309** Information and Project Management | 3 |
| **BMGT 2268** CAPSTONE: Business Administration Practicum | 2 |

**Total Credit Hours:** ...... 60

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## Business Administration
### Specialization: MANAGEMENT

### ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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## Business Administration
### Specialization: MARKETING

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BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (TRANSFER PLAN)

Field of Study

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

TSI LIABLE

FIELD OF STUDY  18 Credits

ACCT 2401 Principles of Financial Accounting
ACCT 2402 Principles of Managerial Accounting
ECON 2302 Principles of Economics II-MICRO
BUSI 1301 Business Principles
MATH 1425 Calculus for Business & Social Sciences

STC CORE CURRICULUM  42 Credits

In addition to the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog. Business Administration majors must take ECON 2301-Principles of Economics I-Macro to fulfill the Social/Behavioral Science component of the Core Curriculum. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Business Administration-Transfer Plan

Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
HIST 1301 United States History I or HIST 2327.................................3
ENGL 1301 Composition I.................................3
COSC 1301 Introduction to Computing or Speech Elective-Core Component Area Option-Core Curriculum.....3
BUSI 1301 Business Principles.........................3

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HIST 1302 United States History II or HIST 2328.................................3
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric...................3
Creative Arts Elective-Core Curriculum ................3
Mathematics Elective-Core Curriculum..................3
ACCT 2401 Principles of Financial Accounting .................4

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GOVT 2305 Federal Government.........................3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective-Core Curriculum ..........4
ACCT 2402 Principles of Managerial Accounting ...............4
ECON 2301 Principles of Economics I-MACRO .................3

FOURTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2306 Texas Government..........................3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective-Core Curriculum ..........4
ECON 2302 Principles of Economics II-MICRO...............3
MATH 1425 Calculus for Business & Social Sciences ............4
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective-Core Curriculum .....3
Component Area Option-Core Curriculum (if required)........1
Specialization: Cloud Computing and Virtualization Specialist Certificate
In this specialization, students will learn cloud computing skills, which include installation, maintenance, and support for computer systems as well as traditional, wireless and cloud-based networks. Students will take courses to learn how to properly install, maintain and troubleshoot computer systems, software, wired networks, wireless networks and cloud-based systems.

Computer and Internet Specialist Certificate
This one-semester specialization will provide students with the foundation required in the use of computers and the Internet. The student will learn entry-level skills needed to effectively use the latest computer and Internet technologies in a business environment. Graduates will have knowledge in the areas of technology including computer hardware, software, operating systems, networking, Internet and electronic mail concepts, word processing applications, and presentation media.

Specialization: Computer Maintenance Technology Certificate and Associate of Applied Science
Students who graduate from this specialization will gain skills necessary to compete in the computer maintenance industry. They will learn skills such as computing architecture, computer installation, maintenance, peripheral installation and troubleshooting, as well as provide hardware and software support for users within their organization.

Specialization: Computer Support and Telecommunication Specialist Certificate and Associate of Applied Science
In this specialization, students will learn computer support and telecommunication skills, which include installation, maintenance, and support for computer systems, computer networks and cabling infrastructure. Students will take courses to learn how to properly install, maintain and troubleshoot computer systems, software, peripherals, and networks as well as provide technical support for users within their organization.

Mechatronics Technology Specialist Certificate
This specialization is a blend of mechanics and electronics. Mechatronics implements techniques in robotics, controls theory, computing architecture and electronics technology. This program will prepare students with the hands-on training they need to work in this industry. Graduates may find employment as technicians assisting engineers.

Specialization: Telecommunication Support Specialist Certificate
Convergence is the combination of telecom, data processing and imaging technologies and placing all of these into one operating platform. It includes traditional telecommunication systems such as telephony and broadband and adds networking services to be placed on these technologies. Students will take courses in convergent technology and learn the latest telecommunication technologies which include combining voice, data and images to deliver telephony, Internet and video services to end users.

Voice and Data Technician Certificate
This one-semester specialization will provide students with the foundation skills in the telecommunication industry. The courses are aligned to the Electronic Systems Professional Alliance (ESPA) entry-level Electronic Systems Technicians (ESTs) industry certification. Students will learn traditional telecommunication systems such as telephony, broadband as well as copper and fiber optic structured cabling systems. Their studies will include the latest telecommunication technologies including voice, data and images to deliver telephony, Internet and video services to end users.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Jose Lucio Gonzalez, Computer Services Engineer, South Texas College; Jaime Hinojosa, Information Technology Officer, Elsa State Bank; Eric Rodriguez, Owner, PC Station; Marciano Garza, IT Coordinator, Safeguard Insurance; Michael Murphy, Senior Cloud Solution Architect, Hewlett Packard; Michael Sauceda, IT Support Specialist, Doctors Hospital at Renaissance.
### CLOUD COMPUTING AND VIRTUALIZATION SPECIALIST

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### COMPUTER MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST

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### COMPUTER AND INTERNET SPECIALIST

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Construction Supervision

Assistant Certificate

The Construction Supervision Assistant Certificate program will prepare students to serve as assistants to a construction supervisor or project manager. The skills acquired will prepare the student to assist a CM or PM in the supervision and management of residential, commercial, and institutional construction projects. The student will focus on acquiring the skills necessary to assist in the monitoring of construction processes to include but not limited to, construction estimating, building codes and inspections, construction technology and basic construction management duties.

Graduates of the program will be prepared for entry level positions such as junior estimator and assistant of construction superintendents, program managers and/ or general contractors.

Specialization: Construction Supervision

Associate of Applied Science

The Construction Supervision program will prepare students for supervision and management careers related to various aspects of residential, commercial, and institutional construction projects.

The Construction Supervision student will focus on acquiring the skills necessary to monitor, direct and conduct supervision processes to include but not limited to planning, scheduling, coordinating, estimating, and supervising all or part of the construction activities along with the selection, hiring and oversight of specialty trade contractors, as well as assessing risk and safety factors on site.

Graduates of the program will be prepared for entry level positions such as assistant construction superintendent, junior estimator, program manager, or general contractor for property owners, developers, or construction management firms.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Perry Vaughn, Executive Director, RGV-Associated General Contractors of America; Rogelio Troyo, President - Troyo Construction; Cesar Roque, Project Manager - ROFA Architects, Inc.; Peyton Oakley, Construction/ Project Manager - 5 Star Construction; Esteban Flores, Intern Superintendent - POLARIS Construction; Belinda Taver, Building Inspector - City of McAllen; Eriberto Orta, Construction Manager - RGV-Habitat for Humanity; Maria Coria, Assistant Construction Manager - RGV-Habitat for Humanity, Lorenzo Moreno, Project Manager - ECON Construction; Manny Gonzalez, Manager - McCoy’s Lumber Pharr.
## CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION ASSISTANT

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### Commercial Baking Certificate
This certificate prepares students to serve under the supervision of pastry chefs, bakers, and other food service professionals as bakery support staff and commercial bakery workers.

### Commercial Cooking Certificate
This certificate prepares students to serve under the supervision of chefs and other food service professionals as kitchen support staff and commercial food preparation workers.

### Culinary Arts Associate of Applied Science
The program will prepare students through lecture and lab courses in culinary arts, nutrition, supervision, a practicum, and general education courses. This degree leads to careers in restaurants, catering, hotels and resorts, and other commercial food services. Graduates take positions as sous-chefs, professional assistants to chefs or culinary managers, supervisors of food production and service, stewards, banquet managers, purchasing agents, or restaurant supervisors.

### Advisory Committee
- Larry Delgado, Executive Chef/owner, House Wine, Salt New American Table
- Jessica Delgado, General Manager/owner, House Wine, Salt New American Table
- Cynthia Ebrom, Pastry Chef/owner, Cynthia’s Cakes
- Cynthia Villarreal, General Manager/Owner Villa Del Mar
- Luis Espinoza, Executive Chef at Doctors Hospital at Renaissance

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## CULINARY ARTS

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Diesel Technology
Certificate and Associate of Applied Science

The Diesel Technology industry is a rapidly growing industry which is requiring a growing number of qualified technicians. The Diesel Technology student will acquire the knowledge and skills necessary for the repair of diesel engines, electrical and electronic control systems, hydraulic systems, air brakes, suspension, steering, and transmissions through a combination of lecture and lab work, to include troubleshooting and diagnostic procedures.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Clyde Syester, Service Manager Rush Truck Center; Jesus Pena, Sale Department, Holt Cat; Rodrigo Martinez, Shop Foreman, Rush Truck Center; Ted Ackerman, Service Manager, Thermo King; Guadalupe Pena, Service Manager, Holt (Trucks); Guadalupe Guajardo Jr., Service Manager, Holt Cat; Scott Freeman, Shop Foreman HEB. Robert Alaniz, Service Director, Valley Truck Center. Richard Estevanes, PR/GM, MVT&T

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Total Credit Hours: 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

Total Credit Hours: 42
**Electrician Assistant Certificate**
The Electrician Assistant program will prepare students to help assemble, install, test, and maintain electrical systems. They will be trained to read blueprints, plan and layout wiring for residential, commercial, and industrial projects to meet job specifications of local and state NEC codes, diagnose malfunctioning systems, apparatus, and components, using testing devices such as, ohmmeters, and voltmeters.

Graduates of this program will also gain knowledge in the installation of electrical systems in factories, office buildings, homes and other structures. Graduates will be eligible to take an examination for licensing after completion of 8,000 hours of field experience under the direct supervision of a Master Electrician.

**Electrician Technology Associate of Applied Science**
The Electrician Technology Associate of Applied Science degree will further the study of the necessary technical, academic, work habit, communication, and interpersonal skills required for employment in the field. The curriculum will include studies in electrical theory that will advance into complex electrical systems, building upon the knowledge and skills acquired throughout the program.

The program will also prepare students to apply technical knowledge and skills to install, operate, maintain, and repair of electric equipment and systems such as residential, commercial, industrial projects, Wind and Solar Technology, electric-power wiring, DC and AC motors, controls and electrical distribution panels. Instruction will also include the study of the principles of electrical systems, wiring, power transmission, safety, industrial and, electrical testing and inspection, and applicable codes and standards.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
Joel Martinez, Industrial Electrician Clove-Mart Electric; Roy Sagredo Master Electrician, Atlas Electric and AC; Juan Hermosillo, AEP PR; Alex Molina, Texas Alarms; Eduardo Pastor, Mcallen Code Enforcement; Adan Magallen, Builder, Former Electrical Inspector; Johnny Rodriguez Osha
ELECTRICIAN ASSISTANT
CERTIFICATE

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FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
ELPT 1411 Basic Electricity Theory .............. 4
ELPT 1419 Fundamentals of Electricity I ...... 4
ELPT 1325 National Electrical Code I .......... 3
ELPT 1429 Residential Wiring.................... 4

SECOND SEMESTER
ELPT 1420 Fundamentals of Electricity II .... 4
ELPT 1445 Commercial Wiring ................... 4
ELPT 2325 National Electrical Code II ........ 3
ELPT 2447 CAPSTONE: Electrical Testing and Maintenance .................. 4

Total Credit Hours:........ 30

ELECTRICIAN TECHNOLOGY
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

TSI LIABLE

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
ELPT 1411 Basic Electricity Theory .............. 4
ELPT 1419 Fundamentals of Electricity I ...... 4
ELPT 1325 National Electrical Code I .......... 3
ELPT 1429 Residential Wiring.................... 4

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ELPT 1420 Fundamentals of Electricity II .... 4
ELPT 1445 Commercial Wiring ................... 4
ENGL 1301 Composition I ......................... 3
ELPT 2325 National Electrical Code II ........ 3
ELPT 2447 CAPSTONE: Electrical Testing and Maintenance .................. 4

THIRD SEMESTER
SPCH 1311 Introduction to Speech Communication .................. 3
ELPT 2447 Electrical Testing & Maintenance ...................... 4
ELPT 1357 Industrial Wiring ...................... 3
ELPT 2319 Programmable Logic Controllers I ...................... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics .......... 3
ELMT 1411 Solar Fundamentals.................... 4
WIND 2359 Wind Power Delivery System ...... 3
Humanities Elective ..................... 3

FIFTH SEMESTER
Social/Behavioral Sciences Elective .................. 3
ELPT 2264 Practicum............................. 2

Total Credit Hours:........ 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement.
Fire Science

This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Basic Firefighter Certificate
This program is designed to prepare students for the firefighting occupation. Students of the Fire Science Program will learn the functions of all the fire equipment, including the fire apparatus as well as both the theory and practical application of firefighting technology. The program will prepare students for firefighter certifications according to the standards from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. This program will provide training to newly hired firefighters from the local departments as well as provide ongoing training to current veteran firefighters who serve in either a professional or volunteer capacity.

Application Requirements:
In order to be considered for entry into the South Texas College Fire Academy/Firefighter Certificate, all applicants must complete the requirements below which will be evaluated for accuracy, passing scores, and acceptable outcomes:

A. Must be at least 18 years of age.
B. Applicants with military background must have an honorable discharge to apply.
C. Complete Fire Academy application (published on program webpage).
D. Pass Physical Fitness Test administered by Fire Academy. Information about test dates are published on program webpage. (Applicant must have valid identification to participate in test.)
E. Submit fingerprints for criminal history check through a state/national database. Applicants convicted of a Class A Misdemeanor or above or convicted of a Class B misdemeanor within the last 10 years will not be considered.
F. Clearance by medical doctor.
G. Must provide the following documents:
   • Certified Copy of Court Disposition (for all charges on criminal history)
   • Proof of U.S. Citizenship or Resident Alien
   • Valid Texas Driver’s License
   • Official high school transcript (accredited) or proof of GED completion.
   • Military Discharge Form (DD 214), if applicable.

Fire Science Technology Associate of Applied Science
The Fire Science Technology Associate Degree program is designed to build on students’ knowledge of the firefighting occupation. The program will prepare students for firefighter certifications beyond the basic fire suppression certification according to the standards from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. Students will also be introduced to the organization and management of a fire department and the relationship of government agencies to the fire service. It also provides a sound foundation for continuous higher learning in fire protection, administration, and management.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Dr. Armando Ocaña, School Safety Director, La Joya ISD; Ricardo Reyes, Fire Chief, Rio Grande City Fire Department; Rene Lopez, Jr., Fire Chief, Mission Fire Department; Jim Schultz, Assistant Deputy Chief, McAllen Fire Department; Carlos Anispe, Deputy Chief, Pharr Fire Department
### BASIC FIREFIGHTER CERTIFICATE

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### FIRE SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY

#### ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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*Escrowed Credit:* Upon successful completion of FIRT 1427 and FIRT 1353, students who have successfully completed and maintain Firefighter Certification through a Texas Commission on Fire Protection licensed Fire Academy will be awarded 26 credits for FIRS 1301, FIRS 1407, FIRS 1313, FIRS 1319, FIRS 1203, FIRS 1423, FIRS 1329, and FIRS 1433.
Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology

Certificate and Associate of Applied Science

In the past 60 years, the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVACR) field has experienced massive technological changes. It has gone from the era of the iceman to that of the educated and highly trained technician.

Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration technicians are primarily trained in the service, repair, maintenance and installation of heating, cooling and refrigeration equipment including domestic, residential, commercial and industrial systems.

Career preparation requires extensive educational training in refrigeration systems, electronic controls, pneumatic controls, cooling and heating systems, duct design, fabrication and residential and commercial heat gained and loss calculations.

Some of the opportunities for employment in Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration include: Engineers in sales, application and operating. Technicians in testing, equipment installers, preventive maintenance, service and repair, wholesale and sheet metal specialist.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Rodolfo Cantu, Chairperson, RBC Services, Alamo; Hector Becerra, Vice-Chairperson, Hectors Air Conditioning, McAllen; Patricia Serna, Secretary, Gemaire Supply, McAllen; Mark Hernandez, Member, Checkmark Refrigeration LLC, Weslaco; Willy G. Gonzalez, Member, Johnstone Supply, Pharr; Anival Perez, Member, Goodman Distributing, Mission; Edgar Zamora, Member, Extreme Service, Alton.
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Employee and Labor Relations Assistant Certificate
In this program, students will learn the fundamentals of employee and labor relations practices, with emphasis in Labor (Union) Relations, and Human Resources laws in order to assist unionized employers such as city government, school districts and private employers resolve disputes between workers and managers, negotiate collective bargaining agreements, or coordinate grievance procedures to handle employee complaints. This certificate will allow the student to transfer credits to the Human Resources Assistant Certificate and the Associate of Applied Science degree in Human Resources Specialist programs.

Payroll Assistant Certificate
In this program, students will learn the fundamentals of the payroll practices and preparation, with emphasis in Payroll & Business Tax Accounting, Benefits and Compensation practices and laws and other software applications in order to assist any employer to compile and record employee time and payroll data and may compute employees’ time worked, production and commission. Also, may compute and post wages and deductions, or prepare paychecks. This certificate will allow the student to transfer credits to the Human Resources Assistant Certificate and the Associate of Applied Science degree in Human Resources Specialist programs.

Recruiting Assistant Certificate
In this program, students will learn the fundamentals of the recruiting practices, with emphasis in human relations and organizational behavior in order to help any employer attaining the most qualified employees and perform activities in the area of recruiting including interviewing and place workers. This certificate will allow the student to transfer credits to the Human Resources Assistant Certificate and the Associate of Applied Science degree in Human Resources Specialist programs.

Human Resources Certificate and Associate of Applied Science
The Human Resource Program will prepare students for a career in the Human Resources Industry. This program will prepare students to be Human Resources Technicians, Human Resources Assistants, Human Resources Specialists, Human Resources Employment Specialists, and Human Resources Benefits Coordinators. The program will assist students in preparation to take the PHR exam.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Adrian Aguilar, Texas Workforce Commission; (Chairperson); Claudia Olivarres, United Blood Services Texas; Terry Vega, Lineage Logistics; Debbie Z. Bocanegra, Magic Valley Electric Co-op; Macarena Hummell, Fansteel Intercast.
## Employee and Labor Relations Assistant

**Certificate**

**TSI Exempt**

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## Human Resources Assistant

**Certificate**

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**Total Credit Hours:** 33
### PAYROLL ASSISTANT
**CERTIFICATE**

**TSI EXEMPT**

**FIRST SEMESTER** | **Credit Hours**
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ACNT 1303 Introduction to Accounting I | 3  
ACNT 1329 Payroll & Business Tax Accounting | 3  
HRPO 2306 Benefits and Compensation | 3  
ITSC 1409 Integrated Software Applications I | 4  
HRPO 1311 Human Relations | 3  

**SECOND SEMESTER**

ACNT 1329 Payroll and Business Tax Accounting | 3  
HRPO 1302 Human Resources Training and Development | 3  
SPCH 1321 Business and Professional Communication | 3  
HRPO 1305 Management and Labor Relations | 3  
HRPO 2303 Employment Practices | 3  

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS:** 16

### HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST
**ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

**TSI LIABLE**

**FIRST SEMESTER** | **Credit Hours**
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ENGL 1301 Composition | 3  
HRPO 2301 Human Resource Management | 3  
HRPO 1306 Basic Mediator Training | 3  
BMGT 1301 Supervision | 3  
ACNT 1303 Introduction to Accounting I | 3  

**SECOND SEMESTER**

ACNT 1329 Payroll and Business Tax Accounting | 3  
HRPO 1302 Human Resources Training and Development | 3  
SPCH 1321 Business and Professional Communication | 3  
HRPO 1305 Management and Labor Relations | 3  
HRPO 2303 Employment Practices | 3  

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS:** 16

### RECRUITER ASSISTANT
**CERTIFICATE**

**TSI EXEMPT**

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HRPO 2306 Benefits and Compensation | 3  
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**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS:** 16

### RECRUITER ASSISTANT
**CERTIFICATE**

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HRPO 2303 Employment Practices | 3  
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### RECRUITER ASSISTANT
**CERTIFICATE**

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HRPO 2301 Human Resources Management | 3  

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS:** 16

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

*Students must take a 4 credit hour course in order to fulfill the Math/Natural Sciences Elective.

**Human Resource Elective Options**
HRPO 1311 Human Relations  
HRPO 2331 International Human Resource Management  
HRPO 2372 Risk Management
Information Technology

**Computer and Information Technologies Specialist Certificate**
The Computer and Information Technologies Specialist program is designed to provide a student with in depth knowledge and skills necessary for today's fast-paced, ever-changing world of Information Technology (IT). Students are exposed to a variety of business productivity software for spreadsheets and database management systems, as well as developmental and graphical design software for tasks such as photo editing, web design, and programming.

The program further expands on IT comprehension and abilities in the networking and operating systems areas, while being exposed to computer virtualization. While most credits obtained through this certificate transfer to the Associate of Applied Science degree for Networking Specialist, all credits will transfer to the Associate of Applied Science for Computer Specialist and the Bachelor of Applied Technologies in Computer and Information Technologies degree (BAT-CIT).

**Cybersecurity/Digital Forensics Specialist Certificate**
This hands-on Cybersecurity/Digital Forensics Program offers practical experience in a wide array of information cybersecurity and digital forensics situations that are applicable to the real world. The student will be exposed to everything from how to properly conduct an assessment, and secure and document a network. In addition, the student will learn how to establish a proper chain of custody that is admissible in a court of law when recovering files from intentionally damaged media.

This certificate will prepare students for a career in cybersecurity or digital forensics. It will prepare students to get certified by CompTIA and various organizations in the digital forensics field. This certificate will allow the student to transfer all the credits to the Associate of Applied Science degree for Digital Forensics Specialist.

**Computer and Network Specialist Certificate**
The Computer and Network Specialist program prepares students with the necessary skills to excel in a variety of Information Technology environments. Students gain advanced skills and knowledge in some of today's dominating business applications, as well as proficiency in networking and operating systems skills, while also being exposed to the use of computer virtualization. All credits earned through this certificate transfer to the Associate of Applied Science degree for Networking Specialist and Computer Specialist. They also transfer to the Bachelor of Applied Technologies in Computer and Information Technologies degree (BAT-CIT).

**Multimedia Specialist Certificate**
The Multimedia Specialist Certificate is intended for students who are interested in the multimedia side of technology. In addition to gaining experience with business productivity software such as word processing and presentation software, students in this program are further exposed to interactive digital media software, where they learn skills in photo editing, digital publishing, and web development. Most credits earned will transfer to the Computer and Information Technologies Certificate and to the Associate of Applied Science degree for Computer Specialist.
**Specialization: Computer Specialist**  
**Associate of Applied Science**

In this program, the student will learn business applications and demonstrate fluency in database, spreadsheet, word processing, and digital publishing. Students will learn technical skills in operating systems and networking technologies, as well as microcomputer concepts, while also being exposed to the use of computer virtualization. During the last semester, students will be required to secure an internship within an Information Technology (IT) department of a local company. This internship will provide students with valuable industry experience. Graduates of the Associate of Applied Science degree for Computer Specialist will be equipped with the necessary skills to enter the IT workforce in places such as local or small businesses, school districts, banks, and hospitals. The credits earned in the Associate of Applied Science in Computer Specialist transfer to the Bachelor of Applied Technologies in Computer and Information Technologies degree (BAT-CIT).

**Specialization: Digital Forensics Specialist**  
**Associate of Applied Science**

This hands-on Information Security/Digital Forensics Associate of Applied Science degree offers practical experience in a wide array of information security and digital forensics situations that are applicable to the real world. The student will be exposed to everything from how to properly conduct an assessment, and secure and document a network. In addition, the student will learn how to establish a proper chain of custody that is admissible in a court of law when recovering files from intentionally damaged media. This associate's degree will prepare students to get certified by Cisco, CompTIA and various organizations in the digital forensics field. Digital Forensics Specialists are needed by today's companies to protect computer networks and determine the root cause of malicious attacks, legally collect evidence admissible in court, and protect corporate assets and reputation. Upon successfully completing the program, students may work with various private corporations, Federal Government agencies, private industry, and even local government agencies that need assistance in finding answers during an actual forensic investigation or a crime scene. This Internship will allow students to gain valuable industry experience.

**Specialization: Networking Specialist**  
**Associate of Applied Science**

The Associate of Applied Science in Networking Specialist enlists a number of Information Technology (IT) skills, starting with business productivity software Business and Technology and then adding a greater emphasis on advanced skills in computer networking through the Cisco Networking Academy. Upon completion of the program, the student will be able to design, quote, set up, maintain, manage, and upgrade a network. In addition to the networking skills, students will also learn technical skills in operating systems, server administration, and information security, while also being exposed to the use of computer virtualization. During the last semester, students will be required to secure an internship within an IT department of a local company. This internship will provide students with valuable industry experience. Graduates of the Associate of Applied Science degree for Networking Specialist will be greatly qualified with the necessary skills to enter the IT workforce in places such as local or small businesses, school districts, banks, and hospitals. The credits earned in the Associate of Applied Science in Computer Specialist transfer to the Bachelor of Applied Technologies in Computer and Information Technologies degree (BAT-CIT).

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Diana Berger, NETSYNC Network Solutions; David M. Culberson, Director of Technology, Sharyland ISD; Adrian Garcia, Chief Technology Officer, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD; Wendy Lopez, AVP of IT, Security First; Hugo Robles, Network Systems Administrator, Alps Electric (North America), Inc.
## COMPUTER AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES SPECIALIST

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## COMPUTER APPLICATIONS SPECIALIST

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## CYBERSECURITY/DIGITAL FORENSICS SPECIALIST

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MULTIMEDIA SPECIALIST
CERTIFICATE

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FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
ITSC 1409 Integrated Software Applications I .................. 4
ITSE 1411 Beginning Web Page Programming ..................... 4

SECOND SEMESTER
ARTC 1413 Digital Publishing I .................. 4
IMED 1445 Interactive Digital Media .................. 4

Total Credit Hours: 16

Information Technology
Specialization:

COMPUTER SPECIALIST
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
ITSC 1409 Integrated Software Applications I .................. 4
ITSC 1405 Introduction to PC Operating Systems .................. 4
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ITSE 1411 Beginning Web Page Programming .................. 4
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ARTC 1413 Digital Publishing I OR IMED 1445 .................. 4

SUMMER SESSION I
Humanities Elective .................. 3

THIRD SEMESTER
SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communication .................. 3
ITSW 2434 Advanced Spreadsheets .................. 4
ITSE 1431 Introduction to Visual Basic Programming or ITSE 2409 .................. 4
Social/Behavioral Sciences Elective .................. 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
ENGL 1301 Composition I .................. 3
MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics or MATH 1414 .................. 3-4
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**Total Credit Hours: 60-61**

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement
Law Enforcement

This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Basic Peace Officer Certificate
This program is designed to prepare students for a profession in law enforcement. Police academy students will learn the role and responsibilities of a law enforcement officer and become knowledgeable in Texas Criminal and Traffic law. The police academy will prepare students for peace officer certifications according to the standards from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education.

Application Requirements:
In order to be considered for entry into the South Texas College Police Academy/Basic Peace Officer Certificate, all applicants must complete the requirements below which will be evaluated for accuracy, passing scores, and acceptable outcomes:

A. Must be at least 21 years of age by the completion of the police academy.
B. Applicants with military background must have an honorable discharge to apply.
C. Complete Police Academy application (published on program webpage).
D. Pass Physical Fitness Test administered by Police Academy. Information about test dates are published on program webpage. (Applicant must have valid identification to participate in test.)
E. Complete Personal History Statement Form.
F. Pass a Polygraph Examination. (Examiner approved by the Pharr Police Department.)
G. Submit fingerprints for criminal history check through a state/national database. Applicants convicted of a Class A Misdemeanor or above or convicted of a Class B misdemeanor within the last 10 years will not be considered.
H. Pass medical screening to include urinalysis. (Medical doctor approved by Pharr Police Department.)
I. Pass psychological screening. (Doctor approved by Pharr Police Department.)
J. Must provide the following documents:
   • Certified Copy of Court Disposition (for all charges on criminal history)
   • Licensee Medical Condition Declaration (TCOLE L-2 Form)
   • Licensee Psychological and Emotional Health Declaration (TCOLE L-3 Form)
   • Proof of U.S. Citizenship
   • Valid Texas Driver’s License
   • Official high school transcript (accredited) or proof of GEO completion.
   • Military Discharge Form (DD 214), if applicable.

BASIC PEACE OFFICER CERTIFICATE

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FIRST SEMESTER  
Credit Hours
CJLE 1506 Basic Peace Officer I ............... 5
CJLE 1512 Basic Peace Officer II ............. 5

SECOND SEMESTER  
Credit Hours
CJLE 1518 Basic Peace Officer III ............ 5
CJLE 1524 Basic Peace Officer IV ............ 5
CJLE 1429 Basic Peace Officer V ............ 4

Total Credit Hours: ....... 24

Law Enforcement Associate of Applied Science
The Law Enforcement Associate Degree program offers the educational opportunity for veteran officers already in the field to expand upon their knowledge base. The program also provides the necessary foundation for those interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Ruben Villegas, Chief of Police Pharr Police Dept.; Juan Gonzalez, Chief of Police San Juan Police Dept.; Robert Dominguez- Chief of Police Mission Police Dept.; J.E. “Eddie” Guerra- Hidalgo County Sheriff; Juan Martinez- Hidalgo County Fire Marshal; Rene Fuentes- Starr County Sheriff; Degiberto Chavez, Jr., Investigator Texas Attorney General Office.
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**Law Enforcement Elective Options**
- CJLE 1303 Basic Telecommunication Certification
- CJLE 1325 Criminal Justice Survey

Total Credit Hours: 60

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Legal Office Specialist Certificate
The Legal Office Specialist curriculum is a one-year program designed to teach students the skills and abilities essential to law firms, judicial offices, trust departments at financial institutions, and the general administrative career field. The program combines training in the latest technical and computer skills with specialized coursework unique to the legal profession, including exposure to legal practices, preparation and practical application of documents and terminology used in the legal office.

Office Specialist Certificate
The Office Specialist curriculum is a one-year program designed for the student who is interested in gaining entry-level knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for a career as an office professional. Students are prepared for administrative office positions in business, public service, and specialized office environments. The program combines traditional office education with microcomputer software applications such as word processing, spreadsheet, database, desktop publishing, records and project management.

Legal Office Assistant Associate of Applied Science
The Legal Office Assistant curriculum is a two-year program designed to prepare students to manage functions in the legal office environment. The course work adds administrative systems, advanced computer applications, word and data processing, graphics and presentation software, employee supervision and management, and written and oral communications. Graduates are well prepared to work in the challenging and exciting legal office environment of a diversity of organizations ranging from a one-person law firm to a multiple partnering law firm.

Administrative Office Assistant Associate of Applied Science
The Administrative Office Assistant curriculum is a two-year program designed to prepare students to manage functions in the office environment. The course work adds administrative systems, advanced computer applications, word and data processing, graphics and presentation software, employee supervision and management, and written and oral communications. Graduates are well prepared to work in the challenging and exciting office environment of a diversity of organizations ranging from a one-person professional office to the global corporation.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Administrative Office Careers
Maria M. Villarreal, Edinburg Childcare, Inc.; Norma Lopez, Edinburg ISD; Natalie Goza, McAllen Independent School District; and Carmen Guajardo, UTPA-RGV

Legal Office Careers
Rachel Maldonado, Allstate Insurance Agency; Diana Reyna, Law Office of Joe Ramirez; Velma Segura, Law Office of David Cazares; and Daniel Becerra, Law Office of Sydney Meadows
LEGAL OFFICE SPECIALIST
CERTIFICATE

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FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
POFI 2301 Word Processing ....................... 3
POFL 1303 Legal Office Procedures I ............ 3
POFT 1301 Business English ..................... 3
POFT 1329 Beginning Keyboarding.............. 3

SECOND SEMESTER
POFI 2340 Advanced Word Processing ......... 3
POFL 2301 Legal Document Processing ......... 3
POFT 1319 Records and Information Management I ........................................ 3
POFT 1328 Business Presentations .............. 3
POFT 2312 Business Correspondence and Communication......................... 3

SUMMER SESSION I
POFL 1340 Legal Office Procedures II ........... 3
POFL 2264 CAPSTONE: Practicum ............... 2
Total Credit Hours: ........ 32

OFFICE SPECIALIST
CERTIFICATE

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POFT 1301 Business English ..................... 3
POFT 1309 Administrative Office Procedures I ........................................ 3
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POFT 1319 Records and Information Management I ........................................ 3
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POFI 1349 Spreadsheets ......................... 3
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SUMMER SESSION
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## Legal Office Assistant
### Associate of Applied Science

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### Associate of Applied Science

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Paralegal

Paralegal Associate of Applied Science
The Paralegal Associate of Applied Science is a two-year program that prepares students for entry-level positions as a paralegal working under the supervision of a lawyer in a law office, government, corporate or other private sector legal setting. The program is designed to provide students with an understanding of the roles and functions of paralegals in law firms and occupational settings. The program offers instruction in basic legal principles and skills applicable to various legal settings. Students develop foundational legal knowledge, training in analytical thinking, and skills in legal research and writing.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Welding

Combination Welding Certificate
This three semester program will prepare the students for entry level positions with skills in four welding processes (Shielded Metal Arc Welding, Gas Metal Arc Welding, Gas Tungsten Arc Welding and Flux Core Arc Welding).

Students will perform fillets, lap, corner joint and V groove welds with backing and open groove in the Flat, Horizontal, Vertical-up and Overhead positions. Students will gain knowledge in lay out and fabrication as well as blueprint reading for the welders, welding safety and metallurgy.

Graduate candidates will be eligible to take a welding performance qualification test in accordance with American Welding Society, as used in industry.

Structural Welding Certificate
This two semester program will prepare the students for entry level positions with skills in four welding processes (Shielded Metal Arc Welding, Gas Metal Arc Welding, Gas Tungsten Arc Welding and Flux Core Arc Welding) but does not go into the advanced welding level (open groove and pipe) as does the combination certificate.

Students will perform fillets, lap, corner and tee's joint welds in the Flat, Horizontal, Vertical-up and Overhead positions.

Graduate candidates will be eligible to take a welding performance qualification test in accordance with American Welding Society, as used in industry.

Welding Associate of Applied Science
This four semester program will prepare the students for entry level positions with skills in four welding processes (Shielded Metal Arc Welding, Gas Metal Arc Welding, Gas Tungsten Arc Welding and Flux Core Arc Welding). Students will perform fillets, lap, corner joint and V groove welds with backing and open groove in the Flat, Horizontal, Vertical-up and Overhead positions. Students will gain knowledge in lay out and fabrication as well as blueprint reading for the welders, welding safety and metallurgy. The curriculum also includes 15 hours of General Education Coursework. Graduate candidates will be eligible to take a welding performance qualification test in accordance with American Welding Society, as used in industry.

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COMBINATION WELDING CERTIFICATE

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STRUCTURAL WELDING

CERTIFICATE

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WLDG 1313 Introduction to Blueprint Reading for Welders or DFTG 1325 .................. 3
WLDG 1428 Introduction to Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) ........ 4
WLDG 1430 Introduction to Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) ............ 4

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WLDG 1457 Intermediate Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) ........ 4
WLDG 1312 Introduction to Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW) .......... 3
WLDG 1417 Introduction to Layout and Fabrication ..................... 4
WLDG 1434 Introduction to Gas Tungsten Arc Welding ................... 4

Total Credit Hours: ........ 29

WELDING*

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FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
ENGL 1301 Composition I .................................. 3
WLDG 1313 Introduction to Blueprint Reading for Welders OR DFTG 1325 ............... 3
MCHN 1343 Machine Shop Mathematics OR TECM 1303 ................ 3
Humanities Elective ...................................... 3
WLDG 1428 Introduction to Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) ........ 4

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Mathematics Elective .................................. 3
WLDG 1430 Introduction to Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) ........... 4
WLDG 1457 Intermediate Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) ........ 4
WLDG 1434 Introduction to Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW) .......... 4

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WLDG 1312 Introduction to Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW) .......... 3
WLDG 2406 Intermediate Pipe Welding ......................... 4
Social/Behavioral Science Elective ................................ 3

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WLDG 2413 Capstone: Intermediate Welding Using Multiple Processes .... 4
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Total Credit Hours: ........ 60

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The program is intended to enable students to develop the necessary academic, technical and analytical skills that will provide them with a measurable foundation in the basics of sound theater practices. This degree is useful to an individual seeking employment in the entertainment and media industries. As with any liberal arts degree, salaries vary according to the field chosen by the degree holder. With an Associate of Arts degree in Drama from STC, students will have attained the pre-professional foundation skills necessary to compete for beginning positions as technicians and/or performers.

In addition to career options in the field of Drama, students with AA-Drama degrees may also choose to pursue advanced degrees in related fields such as television, film, radio, industrial presentations, arts management, and public relations. Students who desire a career as Drama educators and who earn a Bachelor’s degree in this field would be eligible for employment in most public school districts, providing they obtain the necessary teaching certification. Students who earn a BA or BFA degree in Drama can also expect to be marketable in the business or corporate world in areas requiring a combination of verbal, visual and leadership skills. The AA and BA/BFA degrees also serve as the foundation for specialized studies in Drama such as Scene & Lighting Design, Costume Design, Technical Direction, Playwriting, Directing, Performance, Arts Management and Dramaturgy. Completion of the MA/MFA and Ph.D. coursework would make the graduates eligible for teaching positions at colleges and universities.

**DRAMA Field of Study**  
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**FIELD OF STUDY**  
18 credits  
DRAM 1120 Theater Practicum I ................. 1  
DRAM 1121 Theater Practicum II ..................... 3  
DRAM 2120 Theater Practicum III .................. 3  
DRAM 1330 Stagecraft I ......................... 3  
DRAM 1341 Makeup or DRAM 1342 Introduction to Costume .......... 3  
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HIST 1301 United States History I .............. 3  
Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective-Core Curriculum ........ 3  
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DRAM 1351 Acting I .................................. 3  
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Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective-Core Curriculum ........ 3  
GOVT 2306 Texas Government .................... 3  
Life and Physical Sciences Elective-Core Curriculum ........ 3  
Mathematics Elective-Core Curriculum ........... 4  

**STC CORE CURRICULUM**  
42 credits  
In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog. These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements. Drama majors must take Drama 1310-Introduction to Theater to fulfill the Creative Arts component of the core curriculum. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18  
STC Core Curriculum: 42  
Total Credit Hours: 60

**Drama**  
**Recommended Course Sequence**

**FIRST SEMESTER**  
CREDIT HOURS  
DRAM 1120 Theater Practicum I ......................... 1  
DRAM 1351 Acting I ..................................... 3  
DRAM 1310 Introduction to Theater .................. 3  
ENGL 1301 Composition .................................. 3  
HIST 1301 United States History I .................. 3  
Speech Elective-Component Area Option-Core Curriculum .......... 3

**SECOND SEMESTER**  
CREDIT HOURS  
DRAM 1121 Theater Practicum II ...................... 1  
DRAM 1330 Stagecraft I .................................. 3  
Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective-Core Curriculum .......... 3  
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric .................. 3  
HIST 1302 United States History II .................. 3  
DRAM 1352 Acting II .................................... 3

**THIRD SEMESTER**  
CREDIT HOURS  
DRAM 2120 Theater Practicum III ..................... 1  
DRAM 1341 Makeup or DRAM 1342 Introduction to Costume .............. 3  
GOVT 2305 Federal Government ..................... 3  
Life and Physical Sciences Elective-Core Curriculum ........ 4  
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**FOURTH SEMESTER**  
CREDIT HOURS  
DRAM 2366 Introduction to Cinema (even years) or DRAM 2389 Academic Cooperative/ Production Workshop (odd years) ...................... 3  
GOVT 2306 Texas Government ....................... 3  
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective-Core Curriculum .......... 3  
Life and Physical Sciences Elective-Core Curriculum ........ 4  
Component Area Option/Core Curriculum (if required) .......... 1
Graphic Arts

Field of Study

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*Courses of Study  18 Credits
The student is required to take the following 5 courses (15 credits):

ARTS 1316 Drawing I.............................. 3
ARTS 1311 Design I................................. 3
ARTS 2333 Printmaking I........................... 3
ARTS 2348 Digital Art I............................ 3
ARTS 2313 Design Communications I............. 3

**The student is required to take one course (3 credits) from the following list:

ARTS 2316 Painting I............................... 3
ARTS 2356 Photography I.......................... 3

**NOTE: Additional materials and supplies may be required. It is the responsibility of the student to purchase these materials when needed.

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Graphic Arts majors must take Art History I & II to fulfill the Language, Philosophy & Culture and the Creative Arts component of the core curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60
### Music

**Music, Field of Study**

**Associate of Arts in Music**
The Associate of Arts in Music program will focus on establishing a solid music foundation in music theory, music literature, applied instrumental lessons, piano proficiency, and participation in various music ensembles in preparation for the completion of the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Music Degree. It is intended for transferability to higher education institutions by the serious music student wishing to continue his/her study of music while completing the core curriculum course work. Music ensembles are open for participation to the general student body.

*The Associate of Arts in Music does not transfer as core complete. The student is encouraged to complete the additional coursework during their junior year or at South Texas College before transferring to a university.*

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MUAP 2237 Applied Piano IV
MUAP 2218 Applied Voice III
MUAP 2238 Applied Voice IV

**Ensemble Electives** 4 Credits
The student is required to take a minimum of 4 credit hours from the following list of Music Ensemble (MUEN) courses. Students must not duplicate courses taken to meet Core Curriculum Requirements.

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**STC Core Curriculum** 33 Credits
In addition to the Field of Study, the student is required to take 33 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed in page 87 in the catalog. Students must not duplicate courses taken to meet Core Curriculum requirements. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum. Students must not duplicate courses taken to meet field of study requirements. Please note students will not be core complete upon completing this degree program.

Field of Study: 27
STC Core Curriculum: 33

**Total Credit Hours:** 60

**Music**

**Recommended Course Sequence**

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Field of Study: 2

**Ensemble Elective-
Field of Study: 1

### FIRST YEAR-SUMMER SEMESTER

Speech Elective - Component Area Option - Core Curriculum: 3

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Component Area Option-Core Curriculum (if required): 1

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Field of Study: 2

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*Courses to be chosen from the Music Applied Instruments Field of Study

**Courses to be chosen from the Music Ensembles Field of Study

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162 LASS / Fine & Performing Arts
Visual Arts

Visual Arts, 
Field of Study 
Associate of Arts
The Associate of Arts with a field of study in Visual Arts is a program of study that combines studio courses in art and design with a broad range of liberal arts courses. The two-year degree program prepares students for creative positions in the workforce, and provide skills, values, and knowledge in the liberal and creative arts. Additionally, students are prepared for transfer into university bachelor’s degree programs and are trained in exhibit and portfolio preparation.

*If transferring to another college, check with an advisor to see specific program requirements for the Visual Arts requirement.
**VISUAL ARTS Field of Study**

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

**TSI LIABLE**

**FIELD OF STUDY** 18 Credits

Fine Arts Foundation* 15 credits
- ARTS 1311 Design I
- ARTS 1312 Design II
- ARTS 1316 Drawing I
- ARTS 1317 Drawing II
- ARTS 2389 Academic Cooperative

Fine Arts Elective* 3 credits
The student is required to take a minimum of 3 hours from the following list of courses:
- ARTS 1325 Drawing & Painting (for Non-Art Majors)
- ARTS 2316 Painting I
- ARTS 2317 Painting II
- ARTS 2323 Life Drawing I
- ARTS 2326 Sculpture I
- ARTS 2333 Printmaking I
- ARTS 2341 Art Metals I
- ARTS 2346 Ceramics I
- ARTS 2347 Ceramics II
- ARTS 2348 Digital Art I
- ARTS 2356 Photography I
- ARTS 2357 Photography II

*Additional materials and supplies will be required in all Fine Arts foundation and elective studio courses. It is the responsibility of the student to purchase these materials when needed.

**STC CORE CURRICULUM** 42 Credits

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog. Student must take ARTS 1303-Art History I to fulfill the Creative Arts Elective. Students must take ARTS 1304-Art History II to fulfill the Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

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**Recommended Course Sequence**

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*Courses to be chosen from Field of Study

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**English, Field of Study**  
**Associate of Arts**

The field of study curriculum in English transfers as a block leading to an English minor, a Bachelor of Arts in General Studies, a Bachelor of Arts in English, or a Bachelor of Fine Arts in English. The flexible structure of this field of study provides students an opportunity to explore their own interests in either Literature or Creative Writing while also providing a firm foundation for a minor or major in English.

The course load allows students to complete their minor or major at a four-year institution and allows education majors to build the required number of courses within their teaching discipline (which according to TEA regulations must include 24 credit hours in the teaching discipline to qualify for a teaching position). With a specialization in English, students will be uniquely prepared to succeed in today's competitive job market and will have a variety of employment opportunities available in such fields as technical writing, editing, and teaching, as well as numerous professions that require effective communication and analytical skills.

**ENGLISH Field of Study**

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

**TSI LIABLE**

**FIELD OF STUDY**  
**18 Credits**

The student is required to take a minimum of 5 courses (15 credits) from the following list of courses:

- ENGL 2307 Creative Writing I
- ENGL 2311 Technical and Business Writing
- ENGL 2321 British Literature
- ENGL 2326 American Literature
- ENGL 2331 World Literature
- ENGL 2341 Introduction to Forms of Literature
- ENGL 2351 Mexican-American Literature
- ENGL 2389 Academic Cooperative
- EDUC 1300 Learning Framework

**Foreign Language**

The student is required to take 1 course (3 credits) of any foreign language course.

**STC CORE CURRICULUM**  
**42 Credits**

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog. These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill the field of study requirements. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take an additional 1 semester credit hour to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum. Within the choices of courses in the Core Curriculum the following courses must be taken:

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Field of Study: 18  
STC Core Curriculum: 42  
**Total Credit Hours: 60**

**English Recommended Course Sequence**

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*Courses to be chosen from Field of Study*
History

History, Field of Study
Associate of Arts
The Associates of Arts degree with a field of study in History is designated for students planning to transfer to a baccalaureate degree in History or Liberal Arts at four-year institutions.

The curriculum includes general academic courses and electives that enable students who intend to major in History to transfer to four-year institutions.

Completing a History program can expand opportunities in teaching, museums, archives, government, law school, journalism and other related areas.

Instruction in History promotes reading, writing, and critical thinking, as well as development of awareness of how the past has shaped the present.

HISTORY Field of Study
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

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FIELD OF STUDY 18 Credits
The student is required to take the following 3 courses (9 credits):
HIST 2321 World Civilizations I
HIST 2322 World Civilizations II
HIST 2389 Academic Cooperative

*In addition, the student is required to take 2 courses (6 credits) from the following list of History elective courses:
HIST 2301 Texas History
HIST 2327 Mexican American History I
HIST 2328 Mexican American History II
HIST 2381 African American History

**Field of Study Elective 3 Credits
To complete the History Field of Study, students must take a 3 credit hour course listed in any Associate of Arts Field of Study from the following list: Anthropology, Business Administration (transfer plan only), Communication, Criminal Justice, Drama, Education, English, Arts, History, Humanities, Interdisciplinary Studies, Language and Cultural Studies, Mexican-American Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work, or Sociology.

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog.

These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

History
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
HIST 1301 United States History I ......... 3
ENGL 1301 Composition .................. 3
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum
(Recommended: SPCH 1311) .... 3
*History Elective .................. 3

SECOND SEMESTER
HIST 1302 United States History II .... ... 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric .... 3
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective - Core Curriculum
(Recommended: PHIL 2307) .... 3
Social and Behavioral Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum .... 3
*History Elective .................. 3

THIRD SEMESTER
Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum (Recommended: ARTS 1303) ............... 3
Mathematics Elective - Core Curriculum ........... 3-4

FOURTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2305 Federal Government .......... 3
HIST 2321 World Civilizations I .......... 3
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Life and Physical Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum ........ 4
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum (if required) ...... 1

FIFTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2306 Texas Government ............ 3
HIST 2322 World Civilizations II ....... 3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum ........ 4
HIST 2389 CAPSTONE: Academic Cooperative ................. 3

*Courses to be chosen from History Field of Study
Interdisciplinary Studies

Interdisciplinary Studies, Field of Study
Associate of Arts
The Associate of Arts Degree field of study in Interdisciplinary Studies provides students with a broad-based education in “college basics” that promotes critical thinking skills and allows for an opportunity to make an informed choice in educational preferences.

The program offers transferable field of study selections in arts and humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, computer applications, and mathematics. This field of study is an excellent transfer program that can be used towards the successful completion of a Baccalaureate Degree in any field.

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES Field of Study
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

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FIELD OF STUDY 18 Credits
The student is required to take a minimum of 18 credit hours. The Field of Study courses must be chosen from two (2) or more AA or AS field of study options listed in the catalog. Substitutions to this degree plan will be accepted if the Transfer Institution accepts the substitution(s) as courses that will apply toward the baccalaureate degree the student intends to pursue.

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog. These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill the field of study requirements. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Interdisciplinary Studies
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum .................. 3
HIST 1301 United States History I or HIST 2327 .............. 3
ENGL 1301 Composition ........................................ 3
* Elective-Field of Study ................................. 3

SECOND SEMESTER
HIST 1302 United States History II or HIST 2328 .............. 3
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Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum .................. 3
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THIRD SEMESTER
Language, Philosophy & Culture
Elective-Core Curriculum ......................... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
Mathematics Elective - Core Curriculum ................. 3-4
Life and Physical Sciences
Elective-Core Curriculum ......................... 4
Social & Behavioral Science
Elective-Core Curriculum ......................... 3
* Elective-Field of Study ................................. 3
Component Area Option- Core Curriculum (if required) ........ 1

FIFTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2306 Texas Government .......................... 3
Life and Physical Sciences
Elective-Core Curriculum ......................... 4
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*Courses to be chosen from Field of Study
Language and Cultural Studies

Language and Cultural Studies, Field of Study
Associate of Arts
Concentration: American Sign Language
Concentration: Spanish

The Language and Cultural Studies Field of Study is designed to provide students the opportunity to develop and enhance their practical communication skills and cross-cultural understanding that will provide them the foundational coursework required for careers in languages and cultural studies.

Furthermore, the field of study will focus on integrating language, culture and literature to help students gain an international perspective for living and working in today’s global society.

Students declaring a field of study in Languages and Cultural Studies may choose courses in one or both of the following concentrations: Spanish and American Sign Language.
# American Sign Language Concentration

**Field of Study**

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

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**FIELD OF STUDY** 18 Credits

The student is required to take the following 5 courses (18 credits):

- **SGNL 1301** Beginning American Sign Language I
- **SGNL 1302** Beginning American Sign Language II
- **SGNL 2301** Intermediate American Sign Language I
- **SGNL 2302** Intermediate American Sign Language II
- **PHIL 2306** Introduction to Ethics

**STC CORE CURRICULUM** 42 Credits

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Field of Study: 18  
STC Core Curriculum: 42  
**Total Credit Hours:** 60

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## American Sign Language Concentration

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**Spanish Concentration**

**Recommended Course Sequence**

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**STC Core Curriculum**

**42 Credits**

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Field of Study: 18-20

STC Core Curriculum: 42

**Total Credit Hours: 60-62**
**Mexico-American Studies**

**Mexico-American Studies, Field of Study**

**Associate of Arts**

The Associate of Arts degree with a field of study in Mexican American Studies is designated for students planning to transfer to a baccalaureate degree in Mexican American Studies or any Liberal Arts or Humanities field at four-year institutions. The curriculum includes a multi-discipline approach throughout the general academic courses and electives that enable students who intended to major in Mexican American Studies to transfer to four-year institutions.

Completing the Mexican American Studies program can expand opportunities in education, teaching, law school, journalism, business, public administration, and other related areas. Instruction in Mexican American Studies will promote critical thinking and writing, as well as develop an awareness of how the past has shaped the present.

**MEXICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES, Field of Study**

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

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**FIELD OF STUDY**

9 Credits

The student is required to take the following 3 courses (9 credits):

- **HIST 1301** United States History I or
- **HIST 1302** United States History II
- **SPAN 2312** Intermediate Spanish II
- **HUMA 1305** Introduction to Mexican-American Studies

*Field of Study Electives* 9 Credits

To complete the Mexican-American Studies Field of Study, students must take 9 credit hours listed in any Associate of Arts Field of Study from the following list: Anthropology, Business Administration (transfer plan only), Communication, Criminal Justice, Drama, Education, English, Arts, History, Interdisciplinary Studies, Language and Cultural Studies, Mexican-American Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work, or Sociology.

**STC CORE CURRICULUM**

42 Credits

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- **Language, Philosophy & Culture** 3 credits
  - **ENGL 2351** Mexican American Literature

- **History** 6 credits
  - **HIST 2327** Mexican American History I
  - **HIST 2328** Mexican American History II

- **Creative Arts** 3 credits
  - **HUMA 1311** Mexican American Fine Arts Appreciation

- **Social and Behavioral Sciences** 3 credits
  - **GOVT 2311** Mexican American Politics

**Field of Study: 18**

**STC Core Curriculum: 42**

**Total Credit Hours: 60**

**Mexican-American Studies, Recommended Course Sequence**

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**LASS / Humanities 171**
Philosophy, Field of Study
Associate of Arts
The Associates of Arts degree with a field of study in Philosophy is designated for students planning to transfer to a baccalaureate degree in Philosophy or Liberal Arts at four-year institutions. The curriculum includes general academic courses and electives that enable students who intend to major or minor in Philosophy to transfer to four-year institutions with substantial course work completed.

Completing a Philosophy program can expand opportunities in teaching, law school, and other related areas while teaching lifetime skills of analysis and multicultural reasoning.

PHILOSOPHY Field of Study
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

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FIELD OF STUDY 18 Credits
The student is required to take the following two courses (6 credits):
PHIL 2306 Introduction to Ethics
PHIL 2303 Introduction to Logic

The student is required to take two courses from the following list of Philosophy elective courses (6 credits):
PHIL 1304 Introduction to World Religions
PHIL 2307 Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy
PHIL 2316 Classical Philosophy
PHIL 2321 Philosophy of Religion

*Field of Study Elective 6 Credits
To complete the Philosophy Field of Study, students must take two 3-credit hour courses listed in any Associate of Arts Field of Study from the following list: Anthropology, Business Administration (transfer plan only), Communication, Criminal Justice, Drama, Education, English, Arts, History, Interdisciplinary Studies, Humanities, Language and Cultural Studies, Mexican-American Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work, or Sociology.

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
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Language, Philosophy & Culture 3 credits
PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Philosophy
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER
Credit Hours
PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy ........... 3
HIST 1301 United States History I or HIST 2327 .................. 3
ENGL 1301 Composition ................................. 3
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum (Recommended: SPCH 1311) .... 3-4

SECOND SEMESTER
HIST 1302 United States History II or HIST 2328 ................. 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric ............ 3
Mathematics Elective - Core Curriculum ................ 3-4
Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum ............... 3
PHIL 2303 Introduction to Logic ................. 3

THIRD SEMESTER
Social & Behavioral Science Elective-Core Curriculum ........ 3
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum (if required) .......... 1
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Life and Physical Sciences Elective-Core Curriculum .......... 4
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**Courses to be chosen from Philosophy Field of Study
Trilingual Interpreter Certificate
The Trilingual Enhanced Certificate was created to strengthen the skills of an interpreter who is currently utilizing the three languages of ASL, English and spoken Spanish in his or her professional work. This certificate was also designed to offer training to interpreters who would like to utilize these three languages or to add to their existing skills. The Trilingual Enhanced Certificate requires a minimum language proficiency in both American Sign Language and Spanish.

Specialization:
Sign Language Interpreter
Associate of Applied Science
The AAS degree in Sign Language Interpreter Specialization is comprised of a combination of technical and general education courses. The degree requires 63 semester hours of designated coursework. Students must take a mid-program evaluation, the State Certification Basic Exam, as well as a program exit exam in order to complete degree requirements. Students interested in pursuing an AAS Degree are required to consult with department staff before registering for any SLNG classes.

The Sign Language Interpreter option is for individuals seeking employment as an interpreter. An interpreter is one who facilitates communication between persons who do not share the same language. Interpreting between Deaf and Hearing cultures is a process of communicating spoken English messages into American Sign Language or Signed English as well as rendering American Sign Language or Signed English messages into spoken English.

Specialization:
Deaf Support Specialist
Associate of Applied Science
The AAS degree in Deaf Support Specialist Specialization is comprised of a combination of technical and general education courses. The degree requires 65 semester hours of designated coursework. Students must take a mid-program evaluation and a program exit exam in order to complete degree requirements. In addition, students will acquire social, cultural and educational foundations necessary for working with Deaf and Hard of Hearing consumers in a variety of settings. Students are expected to maintain a 2.5 grade point average (GPA) in all program coursework. The program is designed to provide the student with sign language communication skills necessary to communicate with a broad cross-section of Deaf consumers.

Students interested in pursuing an AAS Degree are required to consult with department staff before registering for any SLNG classes. The Associates of Applied Science Degree, Deaf Support Specialist Option is for individuals seeking employment as an advocate, job coach, mentor and/or para-professional to Deaf consumers. Successful completion of degree requirements ensures that the student is knowledgeable of linguistic and cultural aspects pertinent to the Deaf Community. Successful candidates will have also achieved proficiency in the expression and comprehension of American Sign Language.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEMBERS
Chris Ardis, American Sign Language Teacher; Brook Velarde Hernandez, Manager for VAIL; Nora McAllister, STC ASL Interpreter; Dr. Shawn Saladin, Associate Dean of Education and Research at UTPA; Ernie Pena, ASL Interpreter; Vanessa Vera, DARS Counselor.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS
Dr. Ety Bischoff, Dean, Liberal Arts & Social Sciences.
The Trilingual Enhanced Certificate was created to strengthen the skills of an interpreter who is currently utilizing the three languages of ASL, English and spoken Spanish in his/her professional work. This certificate is also designed to offer training to interpreters who would like to utilize these three languages or to add to their existing skills.

The Trilingual Enhanced Certificate requires minimum language proficiency in both American Sign Language and Spanish. The respective departments will administer language placement tests. Please note pre-requisites listed in the course description **.

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**Total Credit Hours:** 15

*To be eligible for the Enhanced Trilingual Interpreter Certificate, the student must be a State Level I/Basic Certified Interpreter or have completed an accredited Interpreter Training Program. Students may obtain an Associate of Applied Science Degree without the Enhanced Trilingual Interpreter Certificate.

American Sign Language and Interpreting Studies

Specialization:

DEAF SUPPORT SPECIALIST

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour general education requirement.
American Sign Language and Interpreting Studies

**Specialization:**

**SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER**

**ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

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**Total Credit Hours:** 63

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour general education requirement
Anthropology, Field of Study
Associate of Arts

Anthropology is the study of our species, Homo sapiens, our ancient ancestors, and our near relatives, the primates. Anthropology studies the primordial origins of humans, how we evolved, how we populated the continents over millennia and why we vary physically and culturally.

Anthropology is a holistic science comprised of four subfields: Cultural Anthropology, the study of world cultures and unique human adaptations to environments; Physical Anthropology, the study of human evolution, genetics, primatology and human variation; Archaeology, the study of the material remains of ancient and contemporary civilizations; and, Linguistic Anthropology, the study of the biological, historical and cultural foundations of the world’s languages. Anthropological subfields include but are not limited to forensics, medical anthropology, agricultural anthropology, museum curation, psychological anthropology and ethnological film making.

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FIELD OF STUDY 18 Credits
Courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill Core Curriculum Requirements.

Anthropology Concentration:
The student is required to take the following four courses (12 credits):
ANTH 2301 Physical Anthropology
ANTH 2302 Introduction to Archeology
ANTH 2351 Cultural Anthropology
HUMA 2323 World Cultures

*The student is required to take a minimum of 2 courses (6 credits) from the following list:
*SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
*SOCI 2319 Minority Studies
*PSYC 2317 Statistical Methods in Psychology
*HIST 2321 World Civilizations I

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
In addition to the courses in the Social Sciences Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

ANTHROPOLOGY
Field of Study
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
HIST 1301 United States History I ........................................ 3
or HIST 2327 ........................................ 3
ENGL 1301 Composition ........................................ 3
ANTH 2301 Physical Anthropology ........................................ 3
*Anthropology Elective - Field of Study ........................................ 3

SECOND SEMESTER
HIST 1302 United States History II ........................................ 3
or HIST 2328 ........................................ 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II - Rhetoric ........................................ 3
Social & Behavioral Science Elective - Core Curriculum ............... 3
*Anthropology Elective - Field of Study ........................................ 3

THIRD SEMESTER
Speech Elective - Component Area Option - Core Curriculum ........... 3
Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum ........................................ 3
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective - Core Curriculum ........... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2305 Federal Government ........................................ 3
Mathematics Elective - Core Curriculum ........................................ 3-4
ANTH 2302 Introduction to Archeology ........................................ 3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum ............... 4

FIFTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2306 Texas Government ........................................ 3
HUMA 2323 World Cultures ........................................ 3
ANTH 2351 Cultural Anthropology ........................................ 3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum ............... 4
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum (if required) ............... 1

LASS / Social & Behavioral Sciences
Child Development

The Child Development Department is committed to improving and promoting the quality of services and programs for young children and their families in the communities we serve by educating and training individuals for early childhood professions and by partnering with childcare programs and social service agencies.

Specialization: Administration of Early Childhood Programs Certificate
The Administration of Early Childhood Programs certificate is a one semester certificate that prepares students to meet the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS) Child Care Licensing educational requirements for a director of a child care center licensed for 13 or more children. It provides a basic foundation of knowledge and skills in both child development and business management.

Specialization: Infant and Toddler Certificate
The Infant and Toddler Certificate prepares students for entry-level positions in the field of Child Development such as Early Head Start. This certificate provides the instruction and field experience necessary for successful care and guidance of young children birth through age three. The graduate will know and be able to promote child development and learning, use developmentally effective approaches to connect with children and families, and use content knowledge to build meaningful curriculum. This certificate also provides students an option to apply for a Child Development Associate Credential (CDA) after taking CDEC 1417 CDA I and CDEC 2422 CDA II. All students participating in Field Study courses must have a negative TB test and no criminal record. Once completed, all credit hours earned under this certificate plan, with the exception of optional courses transfer to the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Child Development.

Child Development Associate of Applied Science
The curriculum leading to the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Child Development provides the instruction and field experience necessary for successful care and guidance of young children birth to eight years of age. Graduates will know and be able to promote child development and learning; build family and community relationships; observe, document, and assess children; use developmentally effective approaches to connect with children and families; use content knowledge to build meaningful curriculum; and be a professional and advocate for young children. Students will be prepared for positions in private kindergartens, child development centers and early childhood programs such as Early Head Start, Head Start and non-profit and for-profit preschool programs. They also will be prepared for positions as teacher aides and other paraprofessional positions in public schools and after school programs. Prior to field site placement, all students participating in Field Study courses must have a negative TB test and no criminal record.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Dana Anthony, Chairperson, TDFPS Child Care Licensing; Sylvia Garza, Staff Development, Hidalgo County Head Start; Pattie Rosenlund, CEO, Easter Seals Rio Grande Valley; Sandra Solis, Manager Child Care Program, Workforce Solutions; student from Child Development program; Teresa Ochoa, Director, All Star Academy; Delia Mendoza, Dual Enrollment High School Instructor, McAllen ISD; Victor Yado, Human Resource Manager Teaching and Mentoring Communities; a student in the Child Development program; and a representative from a transfer university.

Specialization: Preschool Certificate
The Preschool Certificate prepares students for entry-level positions in the field of Child Development. This certificate provides the instruction and field experience necessary for successful care and guidance of young children three to five years of age. The graduate will know how to promote child development and learning, use developmentally effective approaches to connect with children and families, and use content knowledge to build meaningful curriculum.

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### Child Development

**Specialization:**

#### ADMINISTRATION OF EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

**CERTIFICATE**

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**Class required only for students pursuing CDA Credential.**
### Child Development

**Specialization:**

**PRESCHOOL CERTIFICATE**

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### Child Development

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Communication

Advertising/Public Relations,  
Field of Study  
Associate of Arts  
The Associate of Arts with a field of study in Advertising/Public Relations Concentration is a focused program of study, which provides a strong undergraduate foundation in writing for all forms of media and the integration of concepts and theories necessary to promote a positive image for clients. Classes prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions and entry into careers in which competence, clarity and influence are important, such as advertising, public relations, business, health, law, entertainment industry and media. Some variation in requirements may exist a particular four-year college or university; therefore it is essential that students also refer to the catalog of the prospective transfer institution and consult a counselor.

Communication Studies,  
Field of Study  
Associate of Arts  
The Associate of Arts degree in Communication with a speech concentration is a focused program of study, which provides a strong foundation in undergraduate interpersonal interaction, group communication, argument and debate, as well as in public speaking skills. Classes prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions and entry into careers in which effective communication skills are important, such as teaching, public relations, business, mass communication, and law. Some variation in requirements may exist at a particular four-year college or university; therefore it is essential that students also refer to the catalog of the prospective transfer institution and consult a counselor.

ADVERTISING/PUBLIC RELATIONS  
Field of Study  
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

COMM 1307 Introduction to Mass Communication 3
COMM 2330 Introduction to Public Relations 3
COMM 2327 Introduction to Advertising 3
COMM 2305 Editing and Layout 3
COMM 2339 Writing for Radio, Television and Film 3
COMM 2389 Academic Cooperative 3

ADVERTISING/PUBLIC RELATIONS  
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER  
ENGL 1301 Composition............... 3  
Speech Elective- Component Area Option........ 3  
HIST 1301 United States History I............. 3  
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective – Core Curriculum......... 3

SECOND SEMESTER  
ENGL 1302 Composition II - Rhetoric......... 3  
COMM 1307 Introduction to Mass Communication............... 3  
HIST 1302 United States History II............ 3  
Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum.......... 3  
Mathematics Elective- Core Curriculum (Recommended: MATH 1442).................. 3-4

THIRD SEMESTER  
GOVT 2305 Federal Government............... 3  
COMM 2305 Editing & Layout................ 3  
*COMM 2327 Introduction to Advertising......... 3  
Life and Physical Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum.......... 4  
**Creative Arts Elective – Core Curriculum (Recommended: ARTS 2348, ARTS 2356 or DRAM 2366)................... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER  
GOVT 2306 Texas Government................. 3  
COMM 2306 Texas Government................ 3  
COMM 2339 Writing for Radio, Television and Film............... 3  
Life and Physical Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum.......... 4  
COMM 2389 Academic Cooperative................ 3  
Component Area Option – Core Curriculum (if required)...... 1

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 60

*Field of Study Courses

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog. These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum. Students are recommended to take ARTS 2348, ARTS 2356 OR DRAM 2366 to fulfill the Creative Arts elective for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18  
STC Core Curriculum: 42  
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 60
COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Field of Study

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

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FIELD OF STUDY

Courses of Study 18 Credits

SPCH 1315 Public Speaking
SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communication
SPCH 1321 Business and Professional Communication
SPCH 2333 Discussion and Small Group Communication
SPCH 2335 Argument and Debate
SPCH 2389 Academic Cooperative

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the Catalog. These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum. Students are recommended to take ARTS 2348, ARTS 2356 or DRAM 2366 to fulfill the Creative Arts elective for the Core Curriculum.

Speech Communication majors must take Speech 1311 – Introduction to Speech Communication to fulfill the Component Area Option of the core curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 60

Communication Studies

Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER

Credit Hours
ENGL 1301 Composition.......................... 3
SPCH 1311 Intro to Speech Communication..... 3
HIST 1301 United States History I............... 3
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective – Core Curriculum...... 3

SECOND SEMESTER

ENGL 1302 Composition II & Rhetoric.......... 3
SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communication.... 3
HIST 1302 United States History II............. 3
Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum....... 3
Mathematics Elective – Core Curriculum (Recommended: MATH 1442)... 3-4

THIRD SEMESTER

GOVT 2305 Federal Government............... 3
SPCH 1321 Business & Professional Communication.......................... 3
*SPCH 2333 Discussion and Small Group Communication............... 3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum........ 4
Creative Arts Elective – Core Curriculum (Recommended: ARTS 2348, ARTS 2356 or DRAM 2366).......................... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER

GOVT 2306 Texas Government.................. 3
*SPCH 1321 Business & Professional Communication.......................... 3
*SPCH 2335 Argumentation & Debate ............ 3
*SPCH 2389 Academic Cooperative.............. 3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective – Core Curriculum........ 4
Component Area Option – Core Curriculum (if required)...... 1

*Field of Study Courses

LASS / Social & Behavioral Sciences 181
Criminal Justice

**Criminal Justice, Field of Study**

**Associate of Arts**

The need for college-level training in the field of Criminal Justice has grown dramatically. Criminal Justice agencies in all areas have recognized the value of college training for their employees. Some have made it mandatory, while many others offer incentive pay for employees with college education. Criminal Justice careers can be found in a variety of forms: law enforcement/police, private detectives, insurance companies, private security, child and adult protective services, correctional officers, probation and parole officers, juvenile counselors, and game wardens are among the many possibilities available. These people help our society run smoothly and within the realms of the law. They also play a key role in preventing future terrorist attacks on American soil.

Graduates of a criminal justice program can find employment opportunities in the field at the local, state, and federal levels (most federal agencies do require a four-year degree as a minimum, however). After completion of the Criminal Justice Associate Degree program, students will have the basic knowledge to enter many public safety agencies. Students may also transfer to a four-year institution for more advanced coursework and to become more competitive in the job market.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**Field of Study**

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

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**FIELD OF STUDY** 18 credits

The student is required to take the following 5 courses (15 credit hours):

- CRJ 1301 Introduction to Criminal Justice
- CRJ 1306 Court Systems and Practices
- CRJ 1310 Fundamentals of Criminal Law
- CRJ 2313 Correctional Systems and Practices
- CRJ 2328 Police Systems and Practices

The student is required to take a minimum of 1 course (3 credit hours) from the following list:

- CRJ 1311 Juvenile Justice System
- CRJ 2314 Criminal Investigation

**STC CORE CURRICULUM** 42 Credits

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog. Criminal Justice majors must take SOCI 1301 - Introduction to Sociology to fulfill the Social/Behavioral Science component of the Core Curriculum. It is strongly recommended that Criminal Justice majors take MATH 1414 - College Algebra, MATH 1442 - Elementary Statistical Methods, or higher to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

**Criminal Justice Recommended Course Sequence**

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*Courses to be chosen from Field of Study*
Education

Associate of Arts in Teaching
- EC-6 Generalist*
- 4-8 Generalist*
- Grades 8-12*

The Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) introduces students to the teaching profession. Students may choose between Elementary, Middle School, and High School Education curricula tracks.

All three degrees require a minimum of 60 credit hours of coursework including 42 hours of recommended courses from the core curriculum and a minimum of 18 hours in the field of study.

Also required are the courses EDUC 1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession and EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations in which students are introduced to the philosophies and practical knowledge of teaching as well as being given the opportunity to participate in field observations of classrooms in local public school districts.

The AAT gives students the opportunity to take a minimum of up to 60 hours of general education courses at STC and then transfer into a four-year university’s School of Education.

This degree meets the “No Child Left Behind” requirements for paraprofessionals and allows students to receive Continuing Education Certificates of Completion for Substitute Teaching upon completion of EDUC 1301 and for Teacher Assistant upon completion of EDUC 2301.

*It is strongly recommended that students contact the Education department for specific degree plans aimed at transfer to UTRGV, TAMUK, and other universities.

EDUC 1301
Introduction to the Teaching Profession
An enriched, integrated pre-service course and content experience that provides active recruitment and institutional support of students interested in a teaching career, especially in high need fields. The course provides students with opportunities to participate in early field observations at all levels of P-12 schools with varied and diverse student populations and provides students with support from college and school faculty, preferably in small cohort groups, for the purpose of introduction to and analysis of the culture of schooling and classrooms. Course content should be aligned as applicable with State Board for Educator Certification Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities standards; and the course must include a minimum of 16 contact hours of field experience in P-12 classrooms.

Prerequisite: None

EDUC 2301
Introduction to Special Populations
An enriched, integrated pre-service course and content experience that provides an overview of schooling and classrooms from the perspectives of language, gender, socioeconomic status, ethnic and academic diversity, and equity with an emphasis on factors that facilitate learning. The course provides students with opportunities to participate in early field observations of P-12 special populations and should be aligned as applicable with State Board for Educator Certification Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities standards. Must include a minimum of 16 contact hours of field experience in P-12 classrooms with special populations.

Prerequisite: EDUC 1301.
EC-6 GENERALIST

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FIELD OF STUDY 18-20 Credits
EDUC 1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession
EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations
MATH 1350 Fundamentals of Mathematics I
MATH 1351 Fundamentals of Mathematics II
Life and Physical Sciences
Electives - Field of Study (6-8 Credit Hours)

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
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Field of Study: 18-20
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60-62

EC-6 Generalist

Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
EDUC 1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession ................ 3
HIST 1301 United States History I ............... 3
ENGL 1301 Composition .................. 3
Life and Physical Sciences
Elective - Core Curriculum .......... 4
(Recommended: PHYS 1415)

SECOND SEMESTER
EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations .... 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II - Rhetoric ............. 3
*Mathematics Elective - Core Curriculum .................. 3-4
(Recommended: MATH 1414)
*Life and Physical Sciences
Elective - Core Curriculum .......... 4
(Recommended: PHYS 1417)

THIRD SEMESTER
*Component Area Option - Core Curriculum ............. 3-4
BIOL 1322, or BCIS 1305, or COSC 1301 or 1436, or MATH 2418 or 2420, or any Speech Elective
*Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum ............. 3
(Recommended: ARTS 1301)
HIST 1302 United States History II ............. 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
*Language, Philosophy & Culture
Elective - Core Curriculum ............. 3
(Recommended: ENGL 2341)
*Life and Physical Sciences
Elective - Field of Study ............. 3-4
(Recommended: BIOL 1408)
GOVT 2305 Federal Government ............. 3
MATH 1350 Fundamentals of Mathematics I .... 3

FIFTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2306 Texas Government ............. 3
MATH 1351 Fundamentals of Mathematics II ............. 3
*Social & Behavioral Science
Elective - Core Curriculum ............. 3
*Life and Physical Sciences
Elective - Field of Study ............. 3-4
(Recommended: BIOL 1409)
*Component Area Option - Core Curriculum (if required) ....... 1

*Students must meet with an Education advisor prior to registering for one of these courses.
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN TEACHING

FIELD OF STUDY 18-20 Credits

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EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations
MATH 1350 Fundamentals of Mathematics I
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Life and Physical Sciences
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Field of Study: 18-20
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60-62

**4-8 Generalist**

**Recommended Course Sequence**

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**FIFTH SEMESTER**

| GOVT 2306 Texas Government | 3 |
| MATH 1351 Fundamentals of Mathematics II | 3 |
| *Social & Behavioral Science Elective-Core Curriculum | 3 |
| *Life and Physical Sciences Elective-Field of Study | 3-4 |
| (Recommended: BIOL 1409) |
| *Component Area Option-Core Curriculum (if required) | 1 |

*Students must meet with an Education advisor prior to registering for one of these courses.
GRADES 8-12
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN TEACHING

TSI LIABLE
FIELD OF STUDY 6 Credits
EDUC 1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession
EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations

Electives 12 credits
The student must select 4 electives (12 credits) from their intended content area teaching field/academic discipline.

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
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Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Grades 8-12
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER Credit Hours
EDUC 1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession.................. 3
*Component Area Option - Core Curriculum.................. 3-4
BIOL 1322, or BCIS 1305, or COSC 1301 or 1436, or MATH 2418 or 2420, or any Speech Elective
HIST 1301 United States History I.......................... 3
ENGL 1301 Composition........................................ 3

SECOND SEMESTER
EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations.................. 3
HIST 1302 United States History II.......................... 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric.......................... 3
*Mathematics Elective - Core Curriculum .................. 3-4

THIRD SEMESTER
*Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum.......................... 3
*Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective - Core Curriculum........ 3
Content Area Elective - Field of Study.......................... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
*Life and Physical Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum................. 4
GOVT 2305 Federal Government.................................. 3
*Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum................. 3
Content Area Elective - Field of Study.......................... 3

FIFTH SEMESTER
*Life and Physical Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum...... 4
GOVT 2306 Texas Government.......................... 3
Content Area Elective - Field of Study.......................... 3
Content Area Elective - Field of Study.......................... 3
*Component Area Option - Core Curriculum (if required).................. 1

*Students must meet with an Education advisor prior to registering for one of these courses.
The philosophy of the Kinesiology Program encourages student participation in a variety of activities, especially those involving new skills. The Kinesiology Program emphasizes individual sports and fitness that have carry-over value beyond the student’s school years.

The department offers a wide variety of academic, distance learning, and physical activity laboratory courses in the areas of physical education pedagogy (teaching), fitness, health education, dance, coaching and specialized certification courses. Activity courses are designed for beginners, unless otherwise described.

The vast majority of Kinesiology lecture courses are transferable toward a B.S. degree in Kinesiology at UTPA and other institutions. Additionally, the department offers a diverse range of physical activity laboratory courses (individual and team sports), which fulfill the required kinesiology physical activity credits for a four-year degree and promotes life-long learning. In addition, students with disabilities participate in physical education and the Kinesiology Department in conjunction with ADA can arrange for an adapted program or advise the student for course selection. Students with disabilities who wish to have the physical education requirement waived must meet with the program chair.

NOTE: Physical Education Special Activity Fee approved for the 2016-2017 calendar is $55.00 per course.

### Physical Activities:

- **KINE 1100** Fitness Walking
- **KINE 1101** Fitness and Motor Development I
- **KINE 1103** Weight Training & Conditioning I
- **KINE 1104** Weight Training & Conditioning II
- **KINE 1105** Badminton I
- **KINE 1107** Basketball I
- **KINE 1109** Bowling I
- **KINE 1110** Bowling II
- **KINE 1111** Flag Football I
- **KINE 1113** Golf I
- **KINE 1114** Golf II
- **KINE 1115** Karate I
- **KINE 1116** Karate II
- **KINE 1119** Racquetball I
- **KINE 1120** Racquet Ball II
- **KINE 1121** Soccer I
- **KINE 1123** Softball I
- **KINE 1125** Swimming I
- **KINE 1126** Swimming II
- **KINE 1127** Tennis I
- **KINE 1128** Tennis II
- **KINE 1129** Volleyball I
- **KINE 1131** Yoga & Flexibility Training
- **KINE 1132** Self Defense & Personal Safety
- **KINE 1133** Outdoor Adventure Training
- **KINE 1149** Team Sports I
- **KINE 1150** Team Sports II
- **KINE 1210** Aerobic Dance I
- **KINE 1211** Aerobic Dance II
- **KINE 1249** Ballet Folklorico I
- **KINE 1250** Ballet Folklorico II
- **KINE 2249** Ballet Folklorico III
- **KINE 2250** Ballet Folklorico IV

### Dance, Performing Arts:

- **DANC 1241** Ballet I

### Lecture Courses:

- **DANC 2303** Dance Appreciation
- **KINE 1164** Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness
- **KINE 1301** Foundations of Kinesiology
- **KINE 1304** Personal/Community Health I
- **KINE 1306** First Aid
- **KINE 1308** Sports Officiating I
- **KINE 1321** Coaching/Sports/Athletics I
- **KINE 1331** Physical Education For Elementary Education Majors
- **KINE 1336** Introduction To Recreation I
- **KINE 1338** Concepts Of Physical Fitness
- **KINE 1346** Drug Use & Abuse
KINESIOLOGY  Field of Study

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

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FIELD OF STUDY  18 Credits
All students must take the following five courses (10 credit hours):
KINE 1125 Swimming I
KINE 1301 Foundations of Kinesiology
KINE 1306 First Aid
KINE 1338 Concepts of Physical Fitness

Majors must take Area 1, 2 and 3 listed below for a total of 8 credit hours.

Area 1: Team Sports
Select 3 courses (3 credits) from this area.
KINE 1107 Basketball I
KINE 1111 Flag Football I
KINE 1121 Soccer I
KINE 1129 Volleyball I
KINE 1123 Softball

Area 2: Individual Sports
Select 2 courses (2 credits) from this area.
KINE 1103 Weight Training I
KINE 1105 Badminton I
KINE 1109 Bowling I
KINE 1113 Golf I
KINE 1115 Karate I
KINE 1119 Racquetball I
KINE 1127 Tennis I

Area 3: Outdoor Education
KINE 1336 Introduction to Recreation I

STC CORE CURRICULUM  42 Credits
In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog.

Kinesiology majors must take BIOL 2401 - Anatomy and Physiology I, and BIOL 2402 - Anatomy and Physiology II, to fulfill the Life and Physical Sciences component of the Core Curriculum.

Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Kinesiology
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
COSC 1301 Introduction to Computing or Speech Elective- Component Area Option - Core Curriculum .......... 3
HIST 1301 United States History I or HIST 2327 .................... 3
ENGL 1301 Composition ............................................ 3
KINE 1301 Foundations of Kinesiology ............ 3
*Kinesiology Elective Area 1 - Field of Study ................. 1

SECOND SEMESTER
KINE 1306 First Aid ............................................. 3
HIST 1302 United States History II or HIST 2328 .................... 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric .................... 3
GOVT 2305 Federal Government .................... 3
*Kinesiology Elective Area 2 - Field of Study ................ 1

THIRD SEMESTER
Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum .................... 3
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective - Core Curriculum .... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
Mathematics Elective - Core Curriculum .................... 3-4
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I ............ 4
KINE 1338 Concepts of Physical Fitness .......... 3
KINE 1125 Swimming I ................................. 1
*Kinesiology Elective Area 3 - Field of Study ............... 3
*Kinesiology Elective Area 2 - Field of Study ................ 1
*Kinesiology Elective Area 1 - Field of Study ................ 1

FIFTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2306 Texas Government .................... 3
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II ............ 4
Social & Behavioral Science Elective - Core Curriculum .... 3
*Kinesiology Elective Area 1 - Field of Study ............... 1
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum (if required) ...... 1

*Courses to be chosen for Field of Study
Political Science

Political Science Field of Study
Associate of Arts
The Associate of Arts degree with a field of study in Political Science is designated for students planning to transfer to a baccalaureate degree program in Political Sciences or related field at four-year institutions. The curriculum includes general academic courses and electives that enable students who intend to major in Political Science, Public Affairs, or Public Administration to transfer to four-year institutions.

The Political Science program has a foreign language requirement attached to it that will complete most four-year institution requirements. Completing the Political Science major can expand opportunities in teaching, law school, and other related areas of public policy.

POLITICAL SCIENCE
Field of Study
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

18-21 Credits
The student is required to take the following courses (9 credits):
GOVT 2304 Introduction to Political Science
GOVT 2311 Mexican American Politics
GOVT 2389 Academic Cooperative

The student is required to take one course (3-4 credits) from the following list:
EDUC 1300 Learning Framework
HIST 2321 World Civilizations I
HIST 2322 World Civilizations II
PHIL 2306 Introduction to Ethics
ECON 2301 Principles of Economics I - Macro
PSYC 1300 Learning Framework
PSYC 2317 Statistical Methods in Psychology
MATH 1442 Elementary Statistical Methods

The student is required to take two semesters (6-8 credits) of modern foreign language.

STC CORE CURRICULUM
42 Credits
In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog. These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements. Political Science majors must take MATH 1414 - College Algebra, MATH 1442 - Elementary Statistical Methods, MATH 2412 - Pre-Calculus Math, or MATH 2413 - Calculus I to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum. Within the choices of courses in the Core Curriculum the following courses must be taken in order to meet requirements of University Political Science programs:

Language, Philosophy & Culture 3 credits
PHIL 2307 Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60-63

Political Science
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER
Credit Hours
HIST 1301 United States History I ........................................... 3
or HIST 2327 .................................................. 3
ENGL 1301 Composition .......................................................... 3
GOVT 2305 Federal Government ........................................... 3
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum ......................... 3

SECOND SEMESTER
HIST 1302 United States History II ........................................... 3
or HIST 2328 .................................................. 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric ......................................... 3
MATH 1414 College Algebra or MATH 1442 ... 4
or MATH 2412 or MATH 2413 .......... 4
GOVT 2306 Texas Government ........................................... 3

THIRD SEMESTER
Social & Behavioral Science
Elective - Core Curriculum ........................................... 3
Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum ......................... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2304 Introduction to Political Science.................. 3
GOVT 2311 Mexican American Politics ................PLE 3
*Elective - Field of Study ................. 3-4
Life and Physical Sciences
Elective -Core Curriculum ......... 4
*Modern Language Elective - Field of Study ......................... 3-4

FIFTH SEMESTER
PHIL 2307 Introduction to Social & Political Philosophy ................ 3
GOVT 2389 Academic Cooperative ..................................... 3
Life & Physical Sciences
Elective - Core Curriculum ............. 4
*Modern Language Elective - Field of Study ......................... 3-4

*Courses to be chosen from Field of Study

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Psychology, Field of Study
Associate of Arts

Psychology is the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. Some of the many areas of interest to psychologists include neuroscience, sensation and perception, memory, cognition, language, intelligence, consciousness, developmental psychology, personality, psychological disorders, group behavior, counseling, education, work, and emotions.

The Associate of Arts (A.A.) in Psychology is an excellent transfer program since the core curriculum parallels the first two years of most four-year psychology degrees. The Psychology degree offers students an opportunity to become familiar with the different fields of Psychology, which will enable them to make an informed choice on how to continue their careers.

Those who are interested in Psychology can contribute to educational and occupational environments, work within communities to promote physical and mental health, and conduct research that runs the gamut from examining basic brain functions to exploring the behavior of complex social organizations. Psychologists use research to better understand different populations such as infants, emotionally disturbed people, the elderly, students, employees, and even animals – just about every population one can imagine. With a degree in Psychology, a variety of career opportunities are available in counseling, health and human services, public relations, human resources, business management, advertising, law enforcement, and computer programming.

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FIELD OF STUDY 18 Credits
Courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill Core Curriculum Requirements.

The student is required to take the following 4 courses (12 credits):
PSYC 2301 General Psychology
PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development
PSYC 2315 Psychology of Adjustment
PSYC 2317 Statistical Methods in Psychology

*The student is required to take a minimum of 2 courses (6 credits) from the following list:
PSYC 1300 Learning Framework
PSYC 2306 Human Sexuality
PYSC 2307 Adolescent Psychology I

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
In addition to the courses in the Social Sciences Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

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# PSYCHOLOGY  
*Field of Study*

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

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Public Administration

**Public Administration**

**Associate of Applied Science**

The Associates of Applied Science degree in Public Administration program is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary for employment in the public sector and not-for-profit programs.

The program will enable students to understand the political, legal, ethical and social context of public administration with respect to pertinent processes and theories; to achieve proficiency in understanding and developing positive organizational behavior; and to develop the ability to apply appropriate methodologies to solve important problems and issues.

Coursework for this program includes such areas as public sector management, budgeting, ethics and supervision. The program includes a three credit hour practicum designed to give the student real-world experience related to the area of their career interest.

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**Total Credit Hours:** 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

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Social Work

Social Work, Field of Study
Associate of Arts

Social work is a profession devoted to helping people function the best they can in their environment. Social workers act as advocates for children and families in need, victims of domestic violence, people with disabilities, pregnant teenagers, and many other diverse populations. Social workers provide advice, advocacy, and support to those who have personal and social problems and work in the community to promote social justice.

The Associate of Arts (A.A.) in Social Work is an excellent transfer program since the core curriculum parallels the first two years of most four-year social science degrees. After completion of this degree, the student will be prepared to work in a variety of public and private social service settings including programs in schools and hospitals, juvenile detention and residential facilities, crisis centers, information and referral programs, hospices, employee assistance programs, nursing homes, home health agencies and adult day care centers.

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FIELD OF STUDY 18 Credits
Courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill Core Curriculum Requirements.

Social Work Concentration:
The student is required to take the following six courses (18 credits):

SOCW 2361 Introduction to Social Work
SOCW 2362 Social Welfare as a Social Institution
PSYC 2301 General Psychology
SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
PSYC 2317 Statistical Methods in Psychology
SOCI 1306 Social Problems

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
In addition to the courses in the Social Sciences Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog. Students in the Social Work Field of Study must take SOCI 2301 - Marriage and the Family to fulfill the Social/Behavioral Sciences Elective Option in the Core Curriculum. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

SOCIAL WORK Field of Study
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

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Sociology, Field of Study
Associate of Arts

Sociology is the study of social life, social change, and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. Sociologists investigate the structure of groups, organizations, and societies, and how people interact within these contexts. Sociologists study how deviance, crime, marriage, family, politics, education, race, gender, and religion affect individuals.

The subject matter of sociology ranges from the intimate family to the hostile mob; from organized crime to religious cults; from the divisions of race, gender and social class to the shared beliefs of a common culture; and from the sociology of work to the sociology of sports. In fact, few fields have such broad scope and relevance for research, theory and application of knowledge.

Sociology is an excellent transfer program. Since the study of Sociology covers the basic structures of human society with its cultures and stratifications, it is a popular major among those who want to enter career fields that address social change and social support such as human resources, human services, public relations, government agencies and any other institution that requires knowledge of social science research.

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FIELD OF STUDY 18 Credits
Courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill Core Curriculum Requirements.

Sociology Concentration
The student is required to take the following 4 courses (12 credits):
- SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
- SOCI 1306 Social Problems
- SOCI 2301 Marriage and the Family
- SOCI 2319 Minority Studies

*The student is required to take a minimum of 2 courses (6 credits) from the following list:
- ANTH 2351 Cultural Anthropology
- PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth & Development
- PSYC 2301 General Psychology

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits
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Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42

Total Credit Hours: 60

Recommended Course Sequence

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or HIST 2327 ......................... 3
ENGL 1301 Composition ................. 3
SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology .......... 3
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SOCI 2319 Minority Studies ................. 3
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Biology, Field of Study
Associate of Science

The Associate of Science Degree with a field of study in Biology offers students the opportunity to take a core curriculum of general education courses with an emphasis in Biology.

Many exciting career opportunities are available in the biological sciences. Students should bear in mind that many of the career areas listed require training beyond the Associate of Science degree and some will require a post graduate degree.

- Agriculture
- Dentistry
- Environmental Science
- Genetic Engineering
- Marine Science
- Medical Research
- Molecular Biology
- Physical Therapy
- Toxicology
- Wildlife Biology
- Biotechnology
- Dietary Research
- Forensic Science
- Health Sciences
- Medicine
- Microbiological Research
- Pharmacology
- Science Education
- Veterinary Science

It is required that Biology majors take KINE 1164-Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness to fulfill the Component Area Option of the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Biology
Recommended Course Sequence

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STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Biology

Recommended Course Sequence

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ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

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Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Biology

Recommended Course Sequence

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Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60
Chemistry

Chemistry, Field of Study
Associate of Science

The Associate of Science degree with a field of study in Chemistry offers students the opportunity to take a core curriculum of general education with an emphasis in Chemistry.

Chemistry students have a wide choice of careers in many different scientific and technical fields. The student should bear in mind that many of the career areas will require training beyond the Associate of Science degree and in some cases a post-graduate degree:

Career fields available to Chemistry students:
- Biochemistry
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Education, secondary and post-secondary
- Environmental Science
- Forensic Science
- Medical Technology
- Mineral Processing
- Molecular Biology
- Oil Refining
- Petroleum Engineering
- Pharmacy
- Plastics Manufacturing
- Water Treatment

This listing closely parallels the first two years of education that one would receive at most universities. Upon completion of this sequence, many students transfer to obtain a degree in one of the various chemistry fields. However, students intending to transfer should be aware of the transfer institution’s requirements.

Entering students, please note that the first semester suggests MATH 2413 – Calculus I. Students with a score of 380+ on the math portion of the TSI Exam may test-out of MATH 2412 – Pre-Calculus and enroll directly into MATH 2413 – Calculus I after taking and passing the Calculus I Placement Exam provided by the Mathematics Department. Students who qualify and elect this option must contact and make arrangements with the Mathematics Department at (956) 872-8327 no later than two (2) weeks prior to the start of the semester the students intends to enroll.

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For questions regarding this major, please contact the program advisors:

- Dr. Enriqueta Cortez, Department Chair (956) 872-2502.
- Dr. Ludivina Avila, Chemistry Instructor (956) 872-3511
- Mr. Ivan Camara, Math and Science Student Success Specialist (956) 872-6786
CHEMISTRY  Field of Study

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FIELD OF STUDY  18 Credits
CHEM 1411  General Chemistry I
CHEM 1412  General Chemistry II
CHEM 2423  Organic Chemistry I
CHEM 2425  Organic Chemistry II
MATH 2414  Calculus II

*For CHEM 2423 and CHEM 2425, 3 hours are scheduled for the field of study and 1 hour is scheduled to meet the general core curriculum requirements (Component Area Option).

STC CORE CURRICULUM  42 Credits
In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog. Chemistry majors must take the sequence PHYS 1401 - College Physics I and PHYS 1402 - College Physics II or the sequence PHYS 2425 - University Physics I and PHYS 2426 - University Physics II in order to satisfy the Life and Physical Sciences requirement of the core curriculum. The Biology sequence, BIOL 1406 - Biology I for Science Majors and BIOL 1407 - Biology II for Science Majors, is only recommended for Pre-Med majors. Chemistry majors must take MATH 2413 - Calculus I to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum. Chemistry majors must also take KINE 1164 - Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness in order to complete the Component Area Option requirement.

Chemistry

Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
CHEM 1411  General Chemistry I ......................... 4
ENGL 1301  Composition ................................. 3
MATH 2413  Calculus I .................................. 4
Social & Behavioral Science
  Elective - Core Curriculum ...................... 3

SECOND SEMESTER
CHEM 1412  General Chemistry II .................. 4
HIST 1301  United States History I
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ENGL 1302  Composition II-Rhetoric ................. 3
Creative Arts Elective
  - Core Curriculum ............................ 3
KINE 1164  Introduction to Physical
  Fitness and Wellness ....................... 1

THIRD SEMESTER
MATH 2414  Calculus II ................................. 4

FOURTH SEMESTER
CHEM 2423  Organic Chemistry I ................... 4
GOVT 2305  Federal Government ....................... 3
HIST 1302  United States History II
  or HIST 2328 ........................................ 3
*PHYS 1401  College Physics I
  or PHYS 2425 or BIOL 1406
  (Pre-Med Majors only) .................... 4

FIFTH SEMESTER
CHEM 2425  Organic Chemistry II .................. 4
Language, Philosophy & Culture
  Elective - Core Curriculum .............. 3
GOVT 2306  Texas Government ......................... 3
*PHYS 1402  College Physics II
  or PHYS 2426 or BIOL 1407
  (Pre-Med Majors Only) .................. 4

* CHEM 2423 and CHEM 2425 are combined lecture and lab courses with 3 hours of each course designated as field of study and one hour allocated to the institutional component area option.

**College Physics or University Physics must be taken for a broad chemistry associate and chemical engineering majors. Pre-Med Majors are recommended to complete both the BIOL and PHYS sequences to meet program requirements and to prepare for MCAT.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60
Computer Science

Computer Science, Field of Study
Associate of Science
This program is designed for students who plan to continue a Baccalaureate degree at South Texas College or to transfer to a four-year college or university to pursue a Baccalaureate degree in Computer Science. It is also designed to prepare students for entry-level positions in the field of computer science. The curriculum of the computer science degree program focuses on computer programming and general education cores of studies. Students who wish to declare this transfer major should ask for program planning assistance from a Computer Science program advisor. Transfer institutions vary in lower division (first two years of college) major department requirements. Meeting the South Texas College Associate of Science degree requirements does not automatically guarantee that all four-year colleges will accept each and every course toward their degree plan.

It is imperative that students work closely with South Texas College departmental faculty and the four-year college faculty in determining transferability of courses.

Computer Science Career Opportunities
The Bureau of Labor Statistics states that Computer and Information Technology occupations are projected to grow by 22 percent, adding 758,800 new jobs from 2010 to 2020. The high request for workers in these occupations will be driven by companies struggling to find competent technical talent to fulfill their needs, the continuing need for businesses, government agencies and other organizations to adopt and utilize the latest technologies. Workers in these occupations will be needed to increase cyber security, develop software and update existing network infrastructure. Companies are struggling to find competent technical talent to fulfill their needs.

Some disciplines under Computer Science include:

- Computer Programmer
- Programmer Analyst
- Software Engineers
- Computer and Information Scientist
- Computer Hardware Engineers
- Information Security Analysts

Computer Information Systems, Field of Study
Associate of Science
This program is designed for students who plan to continue a Baccalaureate degree at South Texas College or to transfer to a four-year college or university to pursue a Baccalaureate degree in Computer Information Systems. It is also designed to prepare students for entry-level positions in the field of computer information systems. The curriculum of the computer information systems degree program focuses on computer programming, business and general education cores of studies. Students who wish to declare this transfer major should ask for program planning assistance from a Computer Information Systems program advisor. Transfer institutions vary in lower division (first two years of college) major department requirements. Meeting the South Texas College Associate of Science degree requirements does not automatically guarantee that all four-year colleges will accept each and every course toward their degree plan.

It is imperative that students work closely with STC departmental faculty and the four-year college faculty in determining transferability of courses.

Computer Information Systems Career Opportunities
The Bureau of Labor Statistics states that Computer and Information Technology occupations are projected to grow by 22 percent, adding 758,800 new jobs from 2010 to 2020. Companies are struggling to find competent talent to fulfill their needs.

Some disciplines under Computer Information Systems include the above mentioned as well as:

- Applications Programmers
- Computer Support Specialist
- Information Security Coordinator
- Network and Computer Systems Administrators
- Web Developers
- Database Administrators

The Computer Science Department prepares students for transfer to a four-year institution where they can specialize in such disciplines.

Students are assigned to an advisor in the department upon declaring a major in Computer Science and/or Computer Information Systems. Students should also consult their advisor for approval of academic matters such as choice of electives, course substitutions, course overloads, and adding and dropping courses.
COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS  
ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

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FIELD OF STUDY  18 Credits
COSC 1315 Fundamentals of Programming  
COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I  
COSC 1337 Programming Fundamentals II  
COSC 1430 Computer Programming  
ACCT 2401 Principles of Financial Accounting

STC CORE CURRICULUM  42 Credits

In addition to the Field of Study and the Business Foundation hours, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the catalog. Computer Information Systems majors must take ECON 2301-Principles of Economics I-Macro to fulfill to Social/Behavioral Science component of the Core Curriculum. Computer Information Systems majors must take MATH 1414-College Algebra or higher to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum. CIS majors must take COSC 1301 – Introduction to Computing to fulfill the Component Area Option of the Core Curriculum. It is recommended that Computer Information Systems majors take PHIL 2303 - Introduction to Logic to fulfill the Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective component of the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study:  18
STC Core Curriculum:  42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Computer Information Systems
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
HIST 1301 United States History I  
or HIST 2327  ...................... 3
ENGL 1301 Composition I.................. 3
COSC 1301 Introduction to Computing........ 3
MATH 1414 College Algebra or MATH 2412  
or MATH 2413.................. 4

SECOND SEMESTER
Life and Physical Sciences  
Elective-Core Curriculum............... 4
HIST 1302 United States History II  
or HIST 2328.......................... 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric........ 3
COSC 1315 Fundamentals of  
Programming.......................... 3

THIRD SEMESTER
Creative Arts Elective- 
Core Curriculum.......................... 3
*** Language, Philosophy  
& Culture Elective-Core  
Curriculum.......................... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2305 Federal Government.......... 3
ACCT 2401 Principles of Financial  
Accounting...................... 4
Life and Physical Sciences  
Elective-Core Curriculum........... 4
COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I...... 4

FIFTH SEMESTER
ECON 2301 Principles of Economics I-  
MACRO.......................... 3
GOVT 2306 Texas Government............ 3
COSC 1430 Computer Programming.......... 4
COSC 1337 Programming Fundamentals II .... 3

***Recommended: PHIL 2303 - Introduction to Logic
## Computer Science

**Field of Study**

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**FIELD OF STUDY**  
18 credits  
- COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I  
- COSC 1337 Programming Fundamentals II  
- COSC 2436 Programming Fundamentals III  
- COSC 2425 Computer Organization  
- COSC 2330 Advanced Structured Language

### STC Core Curriculum  
42 Credits

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog. Computer Science majors must take MATH 2412 - Pre-Calculus Math or MATH 2413 - Calculus I to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum and PHIL 2303 - Introduction to Logic to fulfill the Language, Philosophy & Culture component of the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18  
STC Core Curriculum: 42  
Total Credit Hours: 60

### Computer Science  
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Engineering

**Engineering, Field of Study**

**Associate of Science**

The Associate of Science degree with a field of study in Engineering offers students the opportunity to take a core curriculum of general education with an emphasis on Engineering. At the present time, a high percentage of all the technical and managerial positions in industry are occupied by engineers. Our engineering program prepares students for transfer to a four-year institution where they can specialize in all engineering disciplines such as:

- Aerospace Engineering
- Agriculture Engineering
- Bioengineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- Manufacturing Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering
- Petroleum Engineering
- Radiological Health Engineering

It is suggested that students interested in the fields of Chemical or Petroleum Engineering follow a modified Chemistry degree plan, which includes Calculus I – MATH 2413. An appointment with a faculty advisor before enrolling is strongly recommended.

This listing closely parallels the first two years of education that one would receive at most engineering schools. Upon completion of this sequence, many students transfer to an engineering school and obtain a degree in one of the various engineering fields. However, students intending to transfer should be aware of the transfer institution’s requirements.

It is possible to complete the engineering sequence in a number of ways and time periods. However, because of sensitive math and physics prerequisites, the suggested guideline should be closely followed if one hopes to complete the program in a timely manner and to smoothly transition to a four-year institution.

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ENGINEERING  Field of Study

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FIELD OF STUDY  23-25 Credits
All engineering students (14 credits):
ENGR 1201 Introduction to Engineering
MATH 2414 Calculus II
MATH 2415 Calculus III
CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I

General/Mechanical/Civil Engineering Track
(9 Credits):
ENGR 1304 Engineering Graphics
ENGR 2301 Statics
ENGR 2302 Dynamics

Electrical/Computer Engineering Track
(11 Credits):
COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I
ENGR 2406 Digital Systems Engineering I
ENGR 2303 Engineering Mechanics-
Statics & Dynamics

Chemical/Environmental/Petroleum
Engineering Track (11 Credits):
Required Courses:
CHEM 1412 General Chemistry II
ENGR 2303 Engineering Mechanics-
Statics & Dynamics
Choose One Course:
CHEM 2425 Organic Chemistry II
OR (Chemical Engineering)
Biol 1406 Biology for Science Majors I
OR (Environmental Engineering)
GEOL 1403 Physical Geology
(Petroleum Engineering)

STC CORE CURRICULUM  37 credits
In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 37 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog. Please note students will not be core complete upon completing this degree program. The Engineering program requires specific courses to be taken within the Core. The required courses are as follows:

Mathematics
MATH 2413 Calculus I

Life and Physical Sciences
PHYS 2425 University Physics I
PHYS 2426 University Physics II

Core Component Area Option
ENGR 2405 Electrical Circuits I OR
CHEM 2423 Organic Chemistry I

Students who would like to be Core complete upon transfer should also complete courses from the following Core component areas:

Social and Behavioral Sciences Elective:
ECON 2301 Principles of Economics I – Macro

Language, Philosophy & Culture:
PHIL 2306 Introduction to Ethics

Field of Study: 23-25
STC Core Curriculum: 37
Total Credit Hours: 60-62

Engineering
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER
ENGL 1301 Composition I…………………………3
HIST 1301 United States History I
OR HIST 2327……………………………………3
MATH 2413 Calculus I*…………………………..4
CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I…………………4
ENGR 1201 Introduction to Engineering ……..2

SECOND SEMESTER
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric………………3
MATH 2414 Calculus II…………………………..4
PHYS 2425 University Physics I…………………..4
Engineering Elective**………………………….3-4

THIRD SEMESTER
MATH 2415 Calculus III…………………………..4
GOVT 2305 Federal Government………………..3
HIST 1302 United States History II
OR HIST 2328……………………………………3
ENGR 2405 Electrical Circuits I
or CHEM 2423***…………………………….4
Creative Arts Elective-
Core Curriculum…………………………..3

FOURTH SEMESTER
GOVT 2306 Texas Government…………………..3
PHYS 2426 University Physics II………………..4
Engineering Elective**………………………….3-4
Engineering Elective**………………………….3-4

Recommended After Completion of Degree to be Core Complete:
ECON 2301 Principles of Economics I-
Macro…………………………………………..3
PHIL 2306 Introduction to Ethics………………..3

* Check catalog for course pre-requisites.

** Students should speak with an advisor and check with the institution they intend to transfer in order to choose the best option. Students must choose electives within the same block.

*** Students pursuing the Chemical/Environmental/Petroleum Track must take CHEM 2423 while other tracks must take ENGR 2405.
**Mathematics**

**Mathematics, Field of Study**  
**Associate of Science**

The Associate of Science degree with a field of study in Mathematics offers students the opportunity to take a core curriculum of general education with an emphasis in Mathematics. Mathematics majors learn foundational mathematical skills that can be applied in various professions, especially the traditional sciences. The Associate Degree of Science in Mathematics serves as a two-year transferable block to a four-year university for a Mathematics minor or Bachelor of Science in Mathematics. Many potential career opportunities exist for Mathematics majors, including careers in actuarial sciences, business, economics & finance, engineering, medical sciences, education, computer science, and the physical sciences. Potential careers include:

- Actuary
- Statistician
- Consultant
- Logistics
- Operations Research
- Researcher
- Sales Analysis
- Systems Analyst
- Educator
- Computer Programming & Development

**MATHMATICS**  
**Field of Study**

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE**

**TSI LIABLE**

**FIELD OF STUDY**  
18 Credits

The student is required to take the following 5 courses (18-20 credits):

- MATH 1442 Elementary Statistical Methods or MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics
- MATH 2412 Pre-Calculus Math or MATH 1316 Plane Trigonometry
- MATH 2413 Calculus I
- MATH 2414 Calculus II
- MATH 2415 Calculus III

The following two courses are optional:

- MATH 2418 Linear Algebra (Recommended to fulfill the Component Area Option of the Core Curriculum.)
- MATH 2420 Differential Equations

**STC CORE CURRICULUM**  
42 Credits

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 of the catalog. Student must take MATH 1324 or MATH 1414 to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum. It is recommended that students take MATH 2418 - Linear Algebra to fulfill the Component Area Option of the Core Curriculum. Students who select a 3 credit Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 semester credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

Field of Study: 18  
STC Core Curriculum: 42  
Total Credit Hours: 60

**Mathematics**  
**Recommended Course Sequence**

**FIRST SEMESTER**

- HIST 1301 United States History I........................................ 3  
- ENGL 1301 Composition.................................................. 3  
- MATH 1414 College Algebra or MATH 1324.......................... 3-4  
- MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics or MATH 1442............. 3-4

**SECOND SEMESTER**

- HIST 1302 United States History II or HIST 2328.................... 3  
- GOVT 2305 Federal Government........................................... 3  
- ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric.................................. 3  
- MATH 2412 Pre-Calculus Math or MATH 1316....................... 3-4

**THIRD SEMESTER**

- MATH 2413 Calculus I....................................................... 4  
- Creative Arts Elective- Core Curriculum............................... 3

**FOURTH SEMESTER**

- GOVT 2306 Texas Government............................................. 3  
- Life and Physical Science Elective-Core Curriculum............... 4  
- MATH 2414 Calculus II..................................................... 4  
- Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective-Core Curriculum........ 3  
- Component Area Option- Core Curriculum  
  (Recommended: MATH 2418 - Linear Algebra)........................ 3-4

**FIFTH SEMESTER**

- Life and Physical Science Elective- Core Curriculum............... 4  
- Social & Behavioral Science Elective-Core Curriculum............. 3  
- MATH 2415 Calculus III.................................................... 4  
- MATH 2420 Differential Equations  
  (Optional/ Recommended).............................................. 4  
  Component Area Option- Core Curriculum (If required)........... 1

204 Math and Science
Physics, Field of Study
Associate of Science

The Associate of Science degree with a field of study in Physics offers students the opportunity to take a core curriculum of general education with an emphasis in Physics. Physics students may select a career in a wide range of scientific and technical fields.

The student should bear in mind that most of these career areas require education or training beyond the Associate of Science degree. Career fields available to the physics student include:

- Astronomy
- Biophysics
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Elementary or Secondary Education
- Engineering - Civil, Electrical, Industrial
- Geophysics
- Hydrogeology
- Medicine
- Meteorology
- Patent Law
- Physics
- Seismology

This listing closely parallels the first two years of education that one would receive at most universities. Upon completion of this sequence, many students transfer to obtain a degree in one of the various physics fields. However, students intending to transfer should be aware of the transfer institution’s requirements.

Entering students, please note that the first semester suggests MATH 2413 – Calculus I. Students with a score of 380+ on the math portion of the TSI Exam may test-out of MATH 2412 – Pre-Calculus and enroll directly into MATH 2413 – Calculus I after taking and passing the Calculus I Placement Exam provided by the Mathematics Department. Students who qualify and elect this option must contact and make arrangements with the Mathematics Department at (956) 872-8327 no later than two (2) weeks prior to the start of the semester the students intends to enroll.

Students with an SAT score of 560+ (SAT II Math Level 1), 520+ (SAT II Math Level 2) or an ACT score of 28+ may also enroll directly into MATH 2413 – Calculus I. Otherwise, it is recommended that students take the prerequisite MATH 2412 – Pre-Calculus the summer prior to the start of the fall semester. Enrollment in MATH 2412 requires a prerequisite of MATH 1414 – College Algebra or ACT scores of 25-27, SAT II Math Level I scores of 520-559, or SAT II Math Level 2 scores of 500-519.

For questions regarding this major, please contact the program advisors:

- Dr. Enriqueta Cortez, Department Chair (956) 872-2502.
- Mr. Martin Knecht, Physics/Engineering Faculty (956) 872-2526
- Mr. Ivan Camara, Math and Science Student Success Specialist (956) 872-6786
PHYSICS  Field of Study

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

TSI LIABLE

FIELD OF STUDY  18 Credits

MATH 2414 Calculus II
MATH 2415 Calculus III
PHYS 2425 University Physics I
PHYS 2426 University Physics II
*COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I

*The COSC 1436 is scheduled for 2 hours of field of study and 2 hours of general education requirements (Component Area Option).

STC CORE CURRICULUM  42 Credits

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 hours from the STC Core Curriculum listed on page 87 in the Catalog. Physics majors are advised to take the sequence CHEM 1411 - General Chemistry I and CHEM 1412 - General Chemistry II to fulfill the Life and Physical Sciences component of the Core Curriculum. Physics majors must take KINE 1164 – Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness to complete the Component Area option. Physics majors must also take MATH 2413 - Calculus I to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum. For students to directly enroll into MATH 2413, they must earn 375+ on the TSI and successfully complete and exam administered by the MATH department or earn a 100 on the college-level mathematics ACCUPLACER.

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42
Total Credit Hours: 60

Physics
Recommended Course Sequence

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I......................... 4
ENGL 1301 Composition................................ 3
MATH 2413 Calculus I.................................. 4
HIST 1301 United States History I or
HIST 2327............................................. 3

SECOND SEMESTER
CHEM 1412 General Chemistry II..................... 4
ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric............... 3
MATH 2414 Calculus II................................ 4
Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum................... 3

SUMMER SESSION
GOVT 2305 Federal Government..................... 3
KINE 1164 Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness........ 1

THIRD SEMESTER
PHYS 2425 University Physics I...................... 4
GOVT 2306 Texas Government........................ 3
Social & Behavioral Science
Elective - Core Curriculum..................... 3
MATH 2415 Calculus III............................... 4

FOURTH SEMESTER
HIST 1302 United States History II
or HIST 2328.................................... 3
*COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I..... 4
Language, Philosophy & Culture
Elective-Core Curriculum..................... 3
PHYS 2426 University Physics II................... 4

*COSC 1436 is scheduled for 2 hours of field of study and 2 hours of general education requirements (Component Area Option).
Pre-Pharmacy

Pre-Pharmacy, Field of Study
Associate of Science

This two-year program prepares the graduate for application to pharmacy school, a 4 year program leading to licensure as a pharmacist. The future of pharmacists is bright with growing demand and an increasing variety of practice settings. The individual selecting this program must be dedicated and self-motivated to excel at rigorous academic coursework for the two years of prerequisites at South Texas College and four years of pharmacy school.

Entering students, please note that the second year suggests MATH 2413 – Calculus I. Students with a score of 380+ on the math portion of the TSI Exam may test-out of MATH 2412 – Pre-Calculus and enroll directly into MATH 2413 – Calculus I after taking and passing the Calculus I Placement Exam provided by the Mathematics Department. Students who qualify and elect this option must contact and make arrangements with the Mathematics Department at (956) 872-8327 no later than two (2) weeks prior to the start of the semester the students intends to enroll.

Students with an SAT score of 560+ (SAT II Math Level 1), 520+ (SAT II Math Level 2) or an ACT score of 28+ may also enroll directly into MATH 2413 – Calculus I. Otherwise, it is recommended that students take the prerequisite MATH 2412 – Pre-Calculus the summer prior to the start of the fall semester. Enrollment in MATH 2412 requires a prerequisite of MATH 1414 – College Algebra or ACT scores of 25-27, SAT II Math Level I scores of 520-559, or SAT II Math Level 2 scores of 500-519.

Graduation from South Texas College does not guarantee acceptance into pharmacy school. South Texas College provides the opportunity for the student to develop a solid basic science knowledge base, complete prerequisites for pharmacy school, participate in essay and interview preparation sessions, review for the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT), and advisement in the pharmacy school application process. Pharmacy schools select entering classes by student merit.

Due to a state mandated limit on credit hours for an Associate of Science degree, the student will be expected to complete some prerequisite courses on their own. There is time in the curriculum for the student to complete these courses during summer and second fall semesters.

For questions regarding this major, please contact the program advisors:

• Dr. Enriqueta Cortez, Department Chair (956) 872-2502.
• Dr. Reginald Gonzales, Chemistry Instructor (956)-872-6478
• Mr. Ivan Camara, Math and Science Student Success Specialist (956) 872-6786
PRE-PHARMACY
Field of Study

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

TSI LIABLE

FIELD OF STUDY 18 Credits
CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I
CHEM 1412 General Chemistry II
CHEM 2423 Organic Chemistry I
CHEM 2425 Organic Chemistry II
*Biol 2421 Microbiology for Science Majors

*For BIOL 2421, 2 hours are scheduled for field of study and 2 hours are scheduled to meet the general core education requirements (Component Area Option).

STC CORE CURRICULUM 42 Credits

In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum. These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill field of study requirements. The Pre-Pharmacy program also requires specific courses be taken within the Core Curriculum.

The required courses are as follows:

Component Area Option 3 credits
*BIOL 2421 Microbiology for Science Majors
KINE 1164 Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness

Mathematics 4 credits
MATH 2413 Calculus I

Note: For students to directly enroll in MATH 2413, they must earn 375+ on the TSI and successfully complete and exam administered by the MATH department or earn a 100 on the college-level Mathematics ACCUPLACER.

Life and Physical Sciences 8 credits
BIOL 1406 Biology for Science Majors I
BIOL 1407 Biology for Science Majors II

Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective 3 credits
ENGL 2321 British Literature or ENGL 2326 American Literature or ENGL 2331 World Literature

Social/Behavioral Sciences Elective 3 credits
PSYC 2301 General Psychology

Field of Study: 18
STC Core Curriculum: 42

Total Credit Hours: 60

Pre-Pharmacy Recommended Course Sequence

PRE-REQUISITE
SUMMER SESSION Credit Hours
PSYC 2301 General Psychology..................... 3

FIRST YEAR - FALL
BIOL 1406 Biology for Science Majors I........ 4
CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I..................... 4
ENGL 1301 Composition.............................. 3
HIST 1301 United States History I or HIST 2327.............................. 3

SPRING
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CHEM 1412 General Chemistry II..................... 4
HIST 1302 United States History II or HIST 2328.............................. 3
ENGL 1302 Composition II – Rhetoric............. 3

SECOND YEAR - FALL
CHEM 2423 Organic Chemistry I..................... 4
GOVT 2305 Federal Government...................... 3
MATH 2413 Calculus I................................. 4
KINE 1164 Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness............. 1

SPRING
CHEM 2425 Organic Chemistry II..................... 4
*BIOL 2421 Microbiology for Science Majors... 4
GOVT 2306 Texas Government.......................... 3
ENGL 2321, ENGL 2326 or ENGL 2331 must be taken to fulfill this requirement.

Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective**......................... 3

Total Credit Hours........... 60

*BIOL 2421 is scheduled for 2 hours of field of study and 2 hours of general education requirements (Component Area Option).

**ENGL 2321, ENGL 2326 or ENGL 2331 must be taken to fulfill this requirement.

Additional Courses recommended to satisfy pharmacy school prerequisites.

Recommended by end of Fall Semester Second Year:
MATH 1442 Elementary Statistical Methods ... 4
BIOL 2416 Genetics..................................... 4
PHYS 1401 College Physic I or PHYS 2425... 4
SPCH 1315 Public Speaking......................... 3

Total Non-Curriculum Credit Hours .... 15
Students are admitted to South Texas College through the provisions of Board Policy 3200. General admission to the College does not imply admission to all programs of the College.

The Nursing and Allied Health Division offers Selective Programs with application requirements. Application requirements are included in the description of each program. In addition, some Selective Programs have a Competitive Entry selection process based on a competitive point system.

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Emergency Medical Technology

This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Emergency Medical Technology

The Emergency Medical Technology program will prepare students to deliver out-of-hospital emergency care at the scene of an accident or a medical emergency. A student graduating with an EMT Certificate or Associate of Applied Science degree will be prepared to fill positions of EMT Basic, EMT Intermediate, and EMT Paramedic. Emergency Medical Technicians typically serve as vital members of the Emergency Medical Services Team who can, with competence, use their medical skills, relieve suffering, and reduce injury severity, and death.

EMT Basic Certificate:
Instruction at the basic level will serve as a foundation for the other two advanced levels, as well as concentrate on learning general anatomy and physiology and general patient assessment. Students will learn and practice lifesaving procedures such as oxygen administration, spinal motion restriction, bandaging, splinting, and administration of certain medications. Upon Completion of this course students will be eligible to take the NREMT Basic exam provided by the National Registry and apply to Texas for EMT Basic Certification.

EMT Intermediate Certificate:
At the intermediate level students will continue to use the foundation they learned as an EMT Basic. They will study in depth the areas of patient assessment, anatomy and physiology of the circulatory system and the respiratory system. They will then practice and perform advanced invasive lifesaving procedures such as intravenous (IV) administration and endotracheal intubation. Upon Completion of this course students will be eligible to take the AEMT exam provided by the National Registry and apply to Texas for Intermediate Certification.

EMT Paramedic Certificate:
The highest level that an EMT can achieve is the level of paramedic where the student will concentrate on a more comprehensive patient assessment and learn advanced medical skills such as electrocardiogram interpretation and treatment. The student will also learn and will be able to administer the most current trends in pharmacological treatments, as well as learning the latest care administered in Advance Cardiac Life Support. Upon Completion of this course students will be eligible to take the NREMT Paramedic exam provided by the National Registry and apply to Texas for EMT Paramedic Licensure or EMT Paramedic Certification. Students are prepared for both the written and practical Texas Department of State Health Services and National Registry Certification exams at each level or Licensure at the Paramedic level only. These exams measure proficiency and competency in the standards set by the Texas Department of Health. Completion of the EMT courses will allow the student to be eligible for TDH Certification, thus making the student employable in many settings such as Hospital Emergency Rooms, Industrial Sites, Air Ambulances, Private EMS Providers, Public EMS Providers, City Fire Departments, and Special Rescue Groups.

EMT Associate of Applied Science: Students may complete the certificate in two and four semesters. Courses taken for the certificate program may be applied toward completion of the two-year Associate of Applied Science Degree in Emergency Medical Technology. Upon completion of the degree, the student is eligible to apply to the state of Texas as a Licensed Paramedic.

Application Requirements
All applicants must
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Emergency Medical Technology Program at 872-3178.
B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent.
C. AAS Degree Option: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.
D. Certificate options: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards, or complete developmental classes with a grade of “C” or better or course placement as follows:
   - Completion of READ 0200 or equivalent.
   - Completion of ENGL 0200 or equivalent.
   - Completion of MATH 0200 or equivalent.
E. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale for all courses completed at STC
F. Be 18-years of age for clinical/practicum experience.
G. Hold a valid Texas Driver’s License.
H. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series.
I. Submit a completed program application.
### Emergency Medical Technology

#### BASIC

**CERTIFICATE**

**T.S.I. EXEMPT**

**FIRST SEMESTER**  
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Eligible for the Texas Department of Health State Certificate Exam-EMT Basic

**Total Credit Hours:** ...... 16

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#### INTERMEDIATE

**CERTIFICATE**

**T.S.I. EXEMPT**

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Eligible for the Texas Department of Health State Certificate Exam-EMT Intermediate

**Total Credit Hours:** ...... 27

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### Graduation Requirements

To earn the Emergency Medical Technology Certificate or Associate of Applied Science Degree, a student must meet all college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of "C".

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Emergency Medical Technology

PARAMEDIC

CERTIFICATE

TSI LIABLE

FIRST SEMESTER
Credit Hours
EMSP 1501 Emergency Medical Technician........... 5
EMSP 1160 EMT-Basic Clinical.......................... 1
EMSP 1166 EMT-Basic Practicum.......................... 1
EMSP 1208 Emergency Vehicle Operations........... 2
EMSP 1371 EMS Documentation............................ 3
EMSP 1472 Emergent Issues in EMT...................... 4

Eligible for the Texas Department of Health State Certificate Exam-EMT Basic

SECOND SEMESTER
EMSP 1338 Introduction to Advanced Practice............. 3
EMSP 1356 Patient Assessment and Airway Management................. 3
EMSP 1355 Trauma Management............................ 3
EMSP 1161 EMT-Intermediate Hospital Clinical.................. 1
EMSP 1167 EMS EMTI Practicum............................ 1

Liable for the Texas Department of Health State Certificate Exam-EMT Intermediate

SUMMER SESSION I
BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I.......................... 4
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THIRD SEMESTER
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FOURTH SEMESTER
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EMSP 2168 CAPSTONE: Paramedic Practicum.................. 1

Eligible for Texas Department of Health State Certificate Exam-Paramedic Level

Total Credit Hours: ........ 51

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 51

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

TSI LIABLE

FIRST SEMESTER
Credit Hours
EMSP 1501 Emergency Medical Technician........... 5
EMSP 1160 EMT-Basic Clinical.......................... 1
EMSP 1166 EMT-Basic Practicum.......................... 1
EMSP 1208 Emergency Vehicle Operations........... 2
EMSP 1371 EMS Documentation............................ 3
EMSP 1472 Emergent Issues in EMT...................... 4

Eligible for the Texas Department of Health State Certificate Exam-EMT Basic

SECOND SEMESTER
EMSP 1338 Introduction to Advanced Practice............. 3
EMSP 1356 Patient Assessment and Airway Management................. 3
EMSP 1355 Trauma Management............................ 3
EMSP 1161 EMT-Intermediate Hospital Clinical.................. 1
EMSP 1167 EMS EMTI Practicum............................ 1

Eligible for the Texas Department of Health State Certificate Exam-EMT Intermediate

SUMMER SESSION
BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I.......................... 4
BIOL 2402 Anatomy & Physiology II.......................... 4

THIRD SEMESTER
EMSP 2444 Cardiology.................................... 4
EMSP 2205 EMS Operations............................... 2
EMSP 2143 Assessment Based Management...................... 1

FOURTH SEMESTER
PSYC 2301 General Psychology or PSYC 2314.......................... 3
EMSP 2434 Medical Emergencies......................... 4
EMSP 2330 Special Populations............................ 3
EMSP 2160 Paramedic Clinical I........................... 1
EMSP 2168 CAPSTONE: Paramedic Practicum.................. 1

Eligible for Texas Department of Health State Certificate Exam-Paramedic Level

Total Credit Hours: ........ 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement
This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Electronic Health Record Specialist Certificate
The Electronic Health Record is a one semester certificate that will prepare the students for entry level positions with knowledge and skills required to transition from a paper based record to an electronic health record, learn the basic functions and the use of the technology for the Electronic Health Record (EHR). Medical clinics, hospitals, doctors’ offices, in all types of facilities, and in various locations within a facility that offer various employment settings for an Electronic Health Record Specialist. Electronic Health Record Specialist can pursue a lifelong program of continuing education.

Medical Coding Specialist Certificate
Medical Coding Specialist Certificate prepares students to access health information, identify diagnoses, and assign appropriate medical codes to narrative descriptions of health diseases and procedures required for reimbursement, medical research, quality assurance, or risk management. Medical clinics, hospitals, doctors’ offices, private coding agencies, consulting firms, and home offices offer various employment settings for Coding Specialist. Coders may pursue a certified coding specialist rating by passing the National Certification Examination that measures proficiency and competency in the standards set by the American Health Information Management Association. Medical coding specialists pursue a lifelong program of continuing education.

Medical Information/Transcription Specialist Certificate
The Medical Information/Transcription Specialist certificate is designed to provide health care facilities with professionally trained individuals who will promote the smooth operation of an office or department within a health care agency. These professionals, during the course of overseeing the day-to-day operations, maintain an efficient records system, and utilize a variety of office equipment that facilitates the administrative clerical functions of the medical department/medical office. It also prepares students to type physician-dictated reports speech recognition editing, regulatory compliance, advanced editing, health information technology and health care documentation standards describing a patient’s medical care and condition. These reports include office chart notes, history and physical examinations, consultations, discharge summaries, laboratory tests and diagnostic studies. Medical clinics, hospitals, doctors’ offices, private transcription agencies and home offices offer various employment settings for Medical Information/Transcription Specialist. Transcriptionists may pursue a level 1 Registered Healthcare Document Specialist (RHDS) or a level 2 Certified Healthcare Document Specialist (CHDS) credential in healthcare documentation by passing the national certification examination administered by the Association for Healthcare Documentation Integrity (AHDI). Medical Information/Transcription Specialist can pursue a lifelong program of continuing education.

Health Information Technology Associate of Applied Science
The Associate of Applied Science Degree in Health Information Technology prepares students for careers as Health Information Technicians. Health Information Technicians are responsible for maintaining components of health information systems consistent with the medical administrative, ethical, and legal, accreditation, and regulatory requirements of the health care delivery system. In all types of facilities, and in various locations within a facility, the health information technician possesses the technical knowledge and skills necessary to process, maintain, complete and report health information data for reimbursement, facility planning, marketing, risk management, utilization management, quality assessment and research; abstract and code clinical data using appropriate classification systems; and analyze health records according to standards. As part of the degree plan, students will complete an internship that enables them to gain real-world experience.

*Students are eligible to participate for the national examination that qualifies them for a certificate as a Certified Coding Specialist (CCS), Certified Coding Associate (CCA), or Certified Coding Specialist - Physician-based (CCS-P).

Medical Information/Transcription Specialist Certificate
The Medical Information/Transcription Specialist certificate is designed to provide health care facilities with professionally trained individuals who will promote the smooth operation of an office or department within a health care agency. These professionals, during the course of overseeing the day-to-day operations, maintain an efficient records system, and utilize a variety of office equipment that facilitates the administrative clerical functions of the medical department/medical office.

Health Information Technology Associate of Applied Science
The Associate of Applied Science Degree in Health Information Technology prepares students for careers as Health Information Technicians. Health Information Technicians are responsible for maintaining components of health information systems consistent with the medical administrative, ethical, and legal, accreditation, and regulatory requirements of the health care delivery system. In all types of facilities, and in various locations within a facility, the health information technician possesses the technical knowledge and skills necessary to process, maintain, complete and report health information data for reimbursement, facility planning, marketing, risk management, utilization management, quality assessment and research; abstract and code clinical data using appropriate classification systems; and analyze health records according to standards. As part of the degree plan, students will complete an internship that enables them to gain real-world experience. In addition, students are prepared for a national exam that measures proficiency and competency in the standards set by the American Health Information Management. *The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM) has
accredited the program in cooperation with the Council on Accreditation of the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA). Students are eligible to participate for the national examination that qualifies them for a certificate as a Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT).

Application Requirements
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the HMAS Program at 872-3170.
B. Submit an application for admission online at Apply Texas (www.applytexas.org).
C. Degree Option: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.
D. AAS Degree Option: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.
E. Certificate Options: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards, or complete developmental classes with a grade of “C” or better or course placement as follows:
   - Completion of READ 0200 or equivalent.
   - Completion of ENGL 0200 or equivalent.
   - Completion of MATH 0200 or equivalent.
F. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale for all courses completed at STC
G. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series.
H. Submit a completed program application.

NOTE: For up-to-date program information, admission requirements and registration see: http://nah.southtexascollege.edu/

Nursing and Allied Health Graduation Requirements
To earn the Electronic Health Record, Medical Information Specialist Certificate, the Medical Transcriptionist Certificate, the Medical Coding Specialist Certificate or an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Health Information Technology, a student must meet all college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the specific degree plan with a minimum grade of “C.”

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*Advisory Committee Chair

ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD SPECIALIST

CERTIFICATE

TSI EXEMPT

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
HITT 1305 Medical Terminology I…………… 3
HITT 1301 Health Data Content and Structure…………… 3
POFM 1317 Medical Administrative Support…………… 3
HITT 1341 Coding and Classification Systems…………… 3
HITT 2371 Current Procedural Terminology Coding-CPT 4……… 3
HITT 1211 Health Information Systems……… 2
HITT 1253 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Information …… 2
HITT 1167 CAPSTONE: Practicum…………… 1

Total Credit Hours:……… 20

MEDICAL CODING SPECIALIST

CERTIFICATE

TSI EXEMPT

FIRST SEMESTER  Credit Hours
HITT 1305 Medical Terminology I…………… 3
HITT 1301 Health Data Content and Structure…………… 3
NURA 1407 Body Systems or VNSG 1420…………… 4
POFM 1317 Medical Administrative Support……… 3

SECOND SEMESTER
HITT 1341 Coding and Classification Systems…………… 3
HITT 2371 Current Procedural Terminology Coding-CPT 4……… 3
HITT 1211 Health Information Systems……… 2
HPRS 2301 Pathophysiology…………… 3
HITT 2231 Advanced Medical Terminology …… 2
HITT 1349 Pharmacology…………… 3

THIRD SEMESTER
HITT 2372 Advanced CPT Coding-CPT 4……… 3
HITT 2335 Coding and Reimbursement Methodologies…………… 3
HITT 1253 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Information …… 2
HITT 1166 CAPSTONE: Practicum…………… 1

Total Credit Hours:……… 38

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MEDICAL INFORMATION/TRANSCRIPTION SPECIALIST

TSI EXEMPT

FIRST SEMESTER-SUMMER Credit Hours
HITT 1305 Medical Terminology I ............ 3

FIRST SEMESTER-FALL
HITT 1301 Health Data Content and Structure ............ 3
NURA 1407 Body Systems or VNSG 1420 .......... 4
POFM 1317 Medical Administrative Support ......... 3
MRMT 1307 Medical Transcription I ............. 3

SECOND SEMESTER-SPRING
HITT 1211 Health Information Systems ............ 2
HPRS 2301 Pathophysiology ..................... 3
HITT 2371 Current Procedural Terminology Coding-CPT4 ............ 3
HITT 1349 Pharmacology ....................... 3
MRMT 2333 Medical Transcription II .......... 3

THIRD SEMESTER-FALL
HITT 1341 Coding and Classification Systems .... 3
HITT 2231 Advanced Medical Terminology .......... 2
HITT 1253 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Information .......... 2
MRMT 2166 CAPSTONE: Practicum ........ 1

Total Credit Hours: ....... 38

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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FIRST YEAR (SUMMER) Credit Hours
HITT 1211 Health Information Systems ............ 2
BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I .......... 4
HITT 1305 Medical Terminology I ............ 3

FIRST SEMESTER
ENGL 1301 Composition ..................... 3
BIOL 2402 Anatomy & Physiology II .......... 4
HITT 1301 Health Data Content and Structure .......... 3
MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics, or MATH 1414 .......... 3

SECOND SEMESTER
HPRS 2301 Pathophysiology ..................... 3
HITT 1253 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Information .......... 2
HITT 1341 Coding & Classification Systems ............ 3
HITT 2231 Advanced Medical Terminology .......... 2
HITT 1349 Pharmacology ....................... 3

THIRD SEMESTER
HITT 2166 Practicum I ......................... 1
HITT 2335 Coding and Reimbursement Methodologies .......... 3
HITT 1345 Health Care Delivery Systems .......... 3
PSYC 2301 General Psychology .......... 3

FOURTH SEMESTER
*Humanities Elective .......... 3
HITT 1255 Health Care Statistics .......... 2
HITT 2343 Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement .......... 3
HITT 2339 Health Information Organization and Supervision .......... 3
HITT 2167 CAPSTONE: Practicum II .......... 1

Total Credit Hours: ....... 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

*Recommended Humanities Electives
PHIL 2306 Introduction to Ethics
PHIL 2303 Introduction to Logic
HUMA 1301 Introduction to Humanities I-Western

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Medical Assistant Technology

This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Medical Assistant Technology Certificate and Associate of Applied Science

Medical assistants are multi-skilled health care professionals with a strong background in basic patient care and assessment; medical laboratory procedures including performing routine blood and urine analysis; appropriate emergency medical care procedures; problem-solving skills; effective teamwork, oral and written communication skills; and proper medical office administrative procedures for managing medical records, medical transcription, and medical insurance billing. As part of the degree plan, students will complete an internship enabling them to gain real medical office experience.

South Texas College has been approved to serve as a proctoring site for students seeking certification by the National Center for Competency Testing (NCCT).

Upon successful completion of the coursework students are eligible to participate in any of the national examinations offered by NCCT for multiple credentials including the National Certified Medical Assistant (NCMA), National Certified Medical Office Assistant (NCMOA), Nationally Certified Phlebotomy Technician (NCPT), and the National Certified ECG Technician (NCET).

Application Requirements

All applicants must:
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Medical Assistant Technology Program at (956) 872-3018.
B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent
C. AAS Degree Option: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.
D. Level 2 Certificate option: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards, or complete developmental classes with a grade of “C” or better or course placement as follows:
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   - Completion of MATH 0200 or equivalent.

E. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for all courses completed at STC
F. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series.
G. Submit a completed program application.

Program Application

Program applications are available from Medical Assistant Technology faculty and will be discussed and completed during advisement prior to registration. Please contact the Program office at (956) 872-3018 for additional information or appointment with program faculty.

NOTE: Please see program web page for additional information regarding the application process. http://nah.southtexascollege.edu

Graduation Requirements

To earn a Certificate or Associate of Applied Science Degree in Medical Assistant Technology, a student must meet all college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of “C”.

Medical Office Specialist Certificate

The Medical Office Specialist is a health care worker with medical office administrative skills for managing the front office, medical records, and medical insurance billing. As part of the degree plan, students will complete an internship enabling them to gain real medical front office experience.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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### MEDICAL OFFICE SPECIALIST

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# MEDICAL ASSISTANT TECHNOLOGY

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**Total Credit Hours: 60-61**

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

**Math/Natural Sciences Elective Options:**

- BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I
- BIOL 2402 Anatomy & Physiology II
- MATH 1414 College Algebra
- MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics

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This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

**Patient Care Assistant Certificate**

This is a 16 credit hour certificate program that offers classroom instruction and related clinical practice in the basic nursing care of adults, children, infants and the elderly. The need for qualified patient care assistants in long-term care is growing at a tremendous rate. The philosophy of care for residents in these facilities has changed from one of custodial care to an implementation of restorative care in which the resident is assisted to reach an optimal potential for physical, mental, and emotional well-being. This care can only be provided by knowledgeable and educated staff. After successful completion of the Texas Department of Aging Nurse Aide Competency Examination, students will focus on acute care and specialized patient care. Entry-level skills in phlebotomy, EKG, and monitor technician are included. Students are prepared to work the many fields available to them such as home health, hospitals, nursing homes, hospice agencies, doctors’ offices, and clinics.

After successful completion of all course requirements students are eligible to take the National Center for Competency Testing examination for Patient Care Technician. STC provides the National Healthcareer Association certification examinations for Patient Care Technician, Phlebotomist and EKG technician.

**Program Entry Requirements**

A. All applicants must meet general admission requirements to South Texas College.
B. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale for all courses completed at STC.
C. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series.
D. Submit a completed program application.

**Program Application**

Please contact the PCA Program office at (956) 872-3049 for additional information or appointment with program faculty.

**NOTE:** Please see program web page for additional information regarding the application process. http://nah.southtexascollege.edu/programs/pca.html

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**Graduation Requirements**

To earn the Patient Care Assistant Certificate, a student must meet all college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of 78%

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**PATIENT CARE ASSISTANT CERTIFICATE**

**TSI EXEMPT**

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**Total Credit Hours:** 16
Pharmacy Technology

This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

The Pharmacy Technology program is jointly accredited by the American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists (ASHP) and the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). This program prepares students to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Exam (PTCE), which is administered by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB).

Pharmacy Technology Program Certificate

The Pharmacy Technology Certificate program is designed to prepare students for a career as certified registered pharmacy technicians who assist licensed pharmacists in providing health care and medications to patients in institutional (hospital) and community (retail) settings.

Students who successfully complete the program obtain a broad knowledge of pharmacy practice. They develop skills in the techniques assess prescriptions and medication orders for completeness, perform computer order entry of prescriptions and medication orders, generate a legal prescription label, fill prescriptions and orders using proper labeling and stock selection, initiate billing to patients and third parties, receive payment, purchase and rotate inventory of medications and supplies, repackage medication to meet the needs of the patient care facility, collect patient information for the pharmacist's review for Medication Therapy Management and immunization screening, stock and maintain automation used for medication dispensing, non-sterile compounding, and sterile compounding.

Pharmacy technicians assist and support licensed pharmacists in providing health care and medications to patients. The Pharmacy Technology program prepares individuals to take the national Pharmacy Technician Certification Exam (PTCE) administered by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board. Upon successful completion of this exam, the individual will be a Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT).

The Texas State Board of Pharmacy recognizes the PTCE as the standard measure for pharmacy technician competency and proficiency. To practice as a pharmacy technician in the state of Texas, an individual must be a Certified Pharmacy Technician and become registered with the Texas State Board of Pharmacy.

Pharmacy Technology Program Associate of Applied Science

The Pharmacy Technology Associate of Applied Science degree combines the elements of the Certificate program with additional pharmacy technology courses and general education courses to promote overall student development and enhance the knowledge base required for upper level positions in pharmacy technology.

Graduates of the Associate of Applied Science degree may be eligible for teaching positions in pharmacy technology programs, and some continue their education to become pharmacists. Individuals who initially choose to obtain a Certificate in Pharmacy Technology may apply for the AAS program after successful completion of the Certificate program.

Application Requirements

All applicants must:
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Pharmacy Technology Program at 872-3023.
B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent
C. AAS Degree Option: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.
D. Level 2 Certificate Option: Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards, or complete developmental classes with a grade of "C" or better or course placement as follows:
   - Completion of INR 0304 or equivalent.
   - Completion of MATH 0200 or equivalent.
E. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for all courses completed at STC.
F. Complete all prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of "C" as listed in the Pharmacy Technician Program degree plan.
G. Be 18-years of age for clinical/practicum experience.
H. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series.
I. Satisfy healthcare agency requirements prior to clinical practice.
J. Submit a completed program application during individual applicant advisement with program faculty.

NOTE: Please see program web page for additional information regarding the application process. http://nah.southtexascollege.edu/
Program Application
Prospective Student Information Sessions are held during fall and spring semesters. The application period is from the first Friday in February through the last Friday in May. Applications are available from the Pharmacy Technology Program website (http://nah.southtexascollege.edu). Please contact the Program office at (956) 872-3023 for additional information or appointment with program faculty.

Application Deadline:
Fall admission is the last Friday in May.

State Board of Pharmacy Registration
The Texas State Board of Pharmacy requires registration of all pharmacy technician trainees. Students admitted to the program who successfully complete the first semester are responsible for becoming registered with the Texas State Board of Pharmacy at their own expense. Additional information regarding pharmacy technician trainee licensure may be found the Texas State Board of Pharmacy website: www.tsbp.state.tx.us.

The program chair will verify with the Texas State Board of Pharmacy the registration status of all students before the third semester. Students who are not registered with the Texas State Board of Pharmacy as a pharmacy technician trainee will not be eligible to enroll in PHRA 1268 CAPSTONE: Practicum. Registration Refusal for Persons with Criminal Backgrounds According to the Texas Pharmacy Act (Section 568.003) the Board of Pharmacy may refuse to issue a pharmacy technician registration to an individual who has been convicted of a felony, a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, engaged in any fraud, deceit or misrepresentation, has a drug or alcohol dependency or has violated any federal or state pharmacy or drug laws.

Students having questions about this rule should contact the Texas State Board of Pharmacy (www.tsbp.state.tx.us).

Drug related felony convictions automatically disqualify an individual from taking the PTCE. Other felony convictions may also prevent a person from taking this exam, at the discretion of the PTCB. Questions about eligibility for the PTCE should be directed to the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (www.ptcb.org).

Graduation Requirements
To earn a Certificate or Associate of Applied Science in Pharmacy Technology, a student must meet all college graduation requirements and complete all degree plan lecture and lab coursework with a minimum grade of “C” and successfully pass the practicum course.

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PHARMACY TECHNOLOGY
CERTIFICATE

TSI LIABLE

Pre-requisite Semester Credit Hours
VNSG 1420 Anatomy & Physiology
For Allied Health ......................... 4
PHRA 1309 Pharmaceutical Mathematics I .... 3
PHRA 1301 Introduction to Pharmacy .......... 3

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PHRA 1305 Drug Classification .................. 3
PHRA 1315 Pharmacy Terminology ............ 3
PHRA 1347 Pharmaceutical Mathematics II .... 3
PHRA 1202 Pharmacy Law ....................... 2

SECOND SEMESTER
PHRA 1340 Pharmacy Third Party Payment ..... 3
PHRA 1449 Institutional Pharmacy Practice ..... 4
PHRA 1413 Community Pharmacy Practice .... 4
PHRA 1404 Pharmacotherapy and Disease Process .................. 4

SUMMER SESSION
PHRA 1243 Capstone: Pharmacy Technician Certification Review ..................... 2
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Total Credit Hours: ........ 40
# PHARMACY TECHNOLOGY

## ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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| PHRA 1305 Drug Classification | 3 |
| PHRA 1315 Pharmacy Terminology | 3 |
| PHRA 1347 Pharmaceutical Mathematics II | 3 |
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### SECOND SEMESTER

| PHRA 1340 Pharmacy Third Party Payment | 3 |
| PHRA 1449 Institutional Pharmacy Practice | 4 |
| PHRA 1413 Community Pharmacy Practice | 4 |
| PHRA 1404 Pharmacotherapy and Disease Process | 4 |

### SUMMER SESSION

| PHRA 1243 Capstone: Pharmacy Technician Certification Review | 2 |
| PHRA 1268 Capstone: Practicum | 2 |

### THIRD SEMESTER

| ENGL 1301 Composition | 3 |
| PSYC 2301 General Psychology or PSYC 2314 | 3 |
| Humanities Elective | 3 |

### FOURTH SEMESTER

| PHRA 1441 Pharmacy Drug Therapy and Treatment | 4 |
| SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology | 3 |

*Math/Natural Sciences Elective | 4 |

**Total Credit Hours: ** 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

*Students must take a 4 credit hour course in order to fulfill the Math/Natural Sciences Elective.
Associate Degree Nursing

Application Requirements

All applicants must:
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the schedule session, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Associate Degree Nursing Program at 872-3132 or 872-3089.
B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent
C. Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards
D. Complete all prerequisite courses with a minimum of "B" as listed in the Associate Degree Nursing Program Degree plan
E. Achieve a HESI A2 Admission Assessment exam test: exam A2 test score of 75% or higher in English Language Composite, Science (Anatomy & Physiology only) and Math and exam test scores must be current within two years.
F. Earn a minimum grade of "B" in "Introduction to Nursing" course within the last two years. Required HESI A2 exam test scores are needed to register for this course.
G. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all courses, including transfer courses, and those completed at STC.
H. Pass a criminal background check through Texas Board of Nursing, 10-panel drug and alcohol screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series before beginning any of nursing clinical courses and any additional clinical requirements. For more information contact the NAH Clinical Affairs Specialist at 872-3022.
I. Meet Technical Standards as stated by the Associate Degree Nursing Program.
J. Submit a completed Program application by stated deadline. For more information contact Associate Degree Nursing Program at 872-3132 or 872-3089 or access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu.

NOTE: A new applicant pool is established for each admission period. All students interested in the program who are not granted admission (qualified and nonqualified) must reapply each semester if they wish to be considered for enrollment. Applications will be submitted after meeting with Faculty Advisor.

Competitive Entry Selection Process

The ADN Program selection process is Competitive Entry and is based on a competitive Point System. Points are given for the following selection criteria: ADN Program pre-requisite courses, HESI A2 exam scores, STC Cumulative GPA, and other additional points as listed in the Application Form. A Cutoff Score is calculated for each application period based on the qualified applicant pool, the number of slots available, and may vary for each application period. Qualified applications are ranked from highest to lowest points and admission is based on this ranking. Applicants with total points above the cutoff score will be admitted and applicants with total points below the cutoff score will be denied. Applicants with total points equal to the cutoff score will be designated as alternates. Should any of the admitted applicants decline admission, an alternate will be offered admission to the program. A random draw of alternate applicants will be used as needed. A full description of the competitive entry point system is published in the Prospective Student Guide on the Associate of Nursing Program website.

NOTE: A new applicant pool is established for each admission period. All students interested in the program who are not granted admission (qualified and nonqualified) must reapply each semester if they wish to be considered for enrollment. Applications will be submitted after meeting with Faculty Advisor. Applicants who were not admitted for the current application period must re-apply to be considered for the next application period. Please see program WEB page for additional information regarding the application process. http://nah.southtexascollege.edu/

Graduation Requirements

To graduate with an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing, a student must meet college graduation requirements and complete all course work as listed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of "C."

Licenses of Persons with Criminal Convictions

Nurse Practice Act for the State of Texas (Senate Bill 1058) made criminal background checks mandatory for students accepted for enrollment in a nursing education program and permits the Board of Nursing (BON or Board) to initiate declaratory orders for eligibility proceedings based on positive criminal background checks; made permanent the Board’s authority to impose deferred disciplinary action; clarified that action may be taken against a nurse’s license based on action taken by a division of the United States Military; authorized
the BON, in conjunction with a disciplinary action, to require a nurse to abstain from use of alcohol and drugs and submit to random drug testing; provided for limited non-disclosure of disciplinary proceedings that result in a Board order requiring the nurse to participate in a Board-approved peer assistance program to address a problem that the nurse is experiencing with mental illness or chemical dependency; as well as making other changes relating to disciplinary action taken by the Board.

The STC Board of Trustees approved Board Policy #3337 on July 15, 2004 for all students participating in any Nursing and Allied Health clinical program meet established program standards for professional practice established by the Dean of Nursing and Allied Health. This policy is implemented to ensure compliance with health care agency standards and state licensing regulations.

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**ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING**

**ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

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**FALL ADMISSION**

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*May substitute ENGL 1302.

** Humanities Elective for the Associate of Applied Science Degrees

# Admission Assessment Exam (A2 test) composite scores of 75% or better in Math, Science and English required prior to registration for RNSG 1209-Introduction to Nursing.
ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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SPRING ADMISSION

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**SPRING SEMESTER - FIRST SEMESTER**

RNSG 1300 Health Assessment
Across the Lifespan ..................... 3
RNSG 1513 Foundations for Nursing Practice .............. 5
RNSG 1205 Nursing Skills I ...................... 2
RNSG 1262 Clinical I .......................... 2

**FALL SEMESTER - SECOND SEMESTER**

RNSG 1144 Nursing Skills II ................. 1
RNSG 1341 Common Concepts of Adult Health .......... 3
RNSG 2161 Clinical Medical/Surgical (8 weeks) .......... 1
RNSG 2213 Mental Health Nursing ..................... 2
RNSG 2162 Clinical Mental Health (8 weeks) .............. 1
PSYC 2301 General Psychology ..................... 3

**SECOND YEAR**

**SPRING SEMESTER - THIRD SEMESTER**

RNSG 1412 Nursing Care of Childbearing & Childrearing Family ........ 4
RNSG 2260 Clinical Pediatric/Maternal/Infant (8 weeks) ............. 2
RNSG 1343 Complex Concepts of Adult Health ...................... 3
RNSG 2361 Clinical Complex Medical Surgical (8 weeks) .............. 3

**FALL SEMESTER - FOURTH SEMESTER**

**Humanities Elective** ................. 3
RNSG 2331 Advanced Concepts of Adult Health ...................... 3
RNSG 2163 Clinical IV (12 weeks) ................. 1
RNSG 2221 Professional Nursing: Leadership and Management ...... 2
RNSG 2363 Clinical V (4 weeks) ..................... 3

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**LVN/RN TRANSITION OPTION**

**ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

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Designed for the individual who is a licensed vocational nurse and who is interested in pursuing the Registered Nurse degree. Students who complete the LVN program must apply for acceptance to the Associate Degree Nursing program in order to be admitted as a student. Prospective Associate Degree Nursing students must meet all application requirements before being eligible to apply to the program. Meeting the specific application requirements is not a guarantee of program acceptance. This Selective program has a competitive entry selection process based on a competitive point system. A full description of the competitive entry point system is published in the Prospective Student Guide on the Associate of Nursing Program website.

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-Vocational Nursing Hours (Electives) ............... 10

**SECOND YEAR**

**SUMMER SESSION**

- RNSG 1417 Concepts of Professional Nursing Practice I for Articulating Students ........ 4
- RNSG 1140 Professional Nursing Skills for Articulating Students ........... 1
- RNSG 1162 Transition Clinical (8 weeks) ........ 1
- RNSG 2213 Mental Health Nursing ............... 2
- RNSG 2162 Clinical Mental Health (8 weeks) ........ 1
- PSYC 2301 General Psychology ............... 3
- RNSG 1300 Health Assessment Across the Lifespan ............... 3

**FALL SEMESTER - FIRST SEMESTER**

- RNSG 2361 Clinical Complex Medical/Surgical (8 weeks) ............... 3
- RNSG 1412 Nursing Care for the Childbearing and Childrearing Family ............... 4
- RNSG 2260 Clinical Pediatrics/Maternal/Infant (8 weeks) ............... 2
- RNSG 1343 Complex Concepts of Adult Health ............... 3

**SPRING SEMESTER - SECOND SEMESTER**

- **Humanities Elective** ............... 3
- RNSG 2331 Advanced Concepts of Adult Health ............... 3
- RNSG 2163 Clinical IV (12 weeks) ............... 1
- RNSG 2221 Professional Nursing: Leadership and Management ............... 2
- RNSG 2363 Clinical V (4 weeks) ............... 3

**Total Credit Hours: 60**

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

-Vocational Nursing Hours (Electives) - Escrow of 10 credits will be given for RNSG 1513, RNSG 1205, RNSG 1144 and RNSG 1262 upon completion of RNSG 1417, RNSG 1140 and RNSG 1162.

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** Humanities Elective for the Associate of Applied Science Degrees**
Associate Degree Nursing

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SPRING ADMISSION

FIRST YEAR

Prerequisites: Credit Hours
BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I ............. 4
BIOL 2402 Anatomy & Physiology II ............. 4
*ENGL 1301 Composition ......................... 3
~Vocational Nursing Hours (Electives) ............. 10

SECOND YEAR

SPRING SEMESTER - FIRST SEMESTER
RNSG 1417 Concepts of Professional Nursing Practice I for Articulating Students .......... 4
RNSG 1140 Professional Nursing Skills for Articulating Students .......... 1
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RNSG 2213 Mental Health Nursing .......... 2
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RNSG 2361 Clinical Complex Medical/Surgical (8 weeks) .......... 3
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FALL SEMESTER - SECOND SEMESTER
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RNSG 2163 Clinical IV (12 weeks) .......... 1
RNSG 2221 Professional Nursing: Leadership and Management .......... 2
RNSG 2363 Clinical V (4 weeks) .......... 3

Total Credit Hours: 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement
~Vocational Nursing Hours (Electives) - Escrow of 10 credits will be given for RNSG 1513, RNSG 1205, RNSG 1144 and RNSG 1262 upon completion of RNSG 1417, RNSG 1140 and RNSG 1162.

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Associate Degree Nursing

EMT PARAMEDIC TO RN TRACK
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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Designed for the individual who is a licensed Emergency Medical Technology (formerly Paramedic) under either Texas or National Registry, and who is interested in pursuing the Registered Nurse degree. Students who complete the EMT-Paramedic program must apply for acceptance to the Associate Degree Nursing program. Prospective Associate Degree Nursing students must meet all application requirements before being eligible to apply to the program. Meeting the specific application requirements is not a guarantee of program acceptance. This Selective Program has a competitive entry selection process based on a competitive point system. A full description of the competitive entry point system is published in the Prospective Student Guide on the Associate of Nursing Program website.

FALL ADMISSION

FIRST YEAR

Prerequisites: Credit Hours
BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I .................. 4
BIOL 2402 Anatomy & Physiology II .................. 4
*ENGL 1301 Composition ............................. 3
~Paramedic Nursing Hours (Electives) ............... 10

FALL SEMESTER - FIRST SEMESTER

RNSG 1417 Concepts of Professional Nursing Practice I for Articulating Students ................. 4
RNSG 1140 Professional Nursing Skills for Articulating Students ...... 1
RNSG 1162 Transition Clinical (8 weeks).............. 1
RNSG 2213 Mental Health Nursing .................... 2
PSYC 2301 General Psychology ....................... 3
RNSG 2162 Clinical Mental Health (8 weeks)......... 1
RNSG 1300 Health Assessment Across the Lifespan ............. 3

SPRING SEMESTER - SECOND SEMESTER

RNSG 1412 Nursing Care of Childbearing & Childrearing Family ................ 4
RNSG 2260 Clinical Pediatric/Maternal/Infant (8 weeks) .................. 2
RNSG 2361 Clinical Complex Medical/Surgical (8 weeks) ............. 3
RNSG 1343 Complex Concepts of Adult Health .................. 3

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER - THIRD SEMESTER

**Humanities Elective .................. 3
RNSG 2331 Advanced Concepts of Adult Health .................. 3
RNSG 2163 Clinical IV (12 weeks) ............. 1
RNSG 2221 Professional Nursing: Leadership and Management ...... 2
RNSG 2363 Clinical V (4 weeks) ............. 3

Total Credit Hours: ....... 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

*May substitute ENGL 1302.

** Humanities Elective for the Associate of Applied Science Degrees

~Paramedic Nursing Hours (Electives) - Escrow of 10 credits will be given for RNSG 1513, RNSG 1205, RNSG 1144 and RNSG 1262 upon completion of RNSG 1417, RNSG 1140 and RNSG 1162.
Occupational Therapy Assistant

This Selective Program has a competitive entry selection process based on a competitive point system. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Occupational Therapy Assistant Associate of Applied Science

The Occupational Assistant Program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 4720 Montgomery Lane, Suite 200 Bethesda, MD 20814-3449. AOTA’s phone number is (301) 652-2682. Visit them online at: http://www.aota.org/Education-Careers/Accreditation.aspx.

Graduates of the program will be able to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapy assistant administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA). This two-year program prepares individuals for careers as Certified Occupational Therapy Assistants (COTA). In Texas, the COTA must obtain state licensure to practice under the supervision of a registered Occupational Therapist (OTR). This program has a Competitive Entry selection process based on a competitive point system.

The mandate of the profession is to assist patients to develop life skills by providing services with the ultimate goal of increasing their performance and participation in desired daily occupations. The recipients of therapy are those who have encountered problems that interfere with their ability to function in any stage of their development. The scope of services includes physical, cognitive, and psychological and psychosocial disorders.

Occupational Therapy Assistants typically are employed in clinical or community settings working in out-patient clinics, in-patient rehabilitation centers, public schools, and/or patients’ homes. Supervision by an Occupational Therapist is required for practice in Texas.

A felony conviction may affect a graduate’s ability to sit for the NBCOT certification or to attain state licensure. The Fieldwork Level II capstone courses listed in the fourth semester must be completed within eighteen (18) months after the end of the academic/technical courses.

Application Requirements

All applicants must:

A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Occupational Therapy Program at (956) 872-3161 or (956) 872-3035.

B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent

C. Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.

D. Complete all prerequisite courses with a minimum of “B” as listed in the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program Degree plan. BIOL 2401 must be completed within the past five years and OTHA 1305 must be completed within the past two years.

E. Complete the ACT Exam including the Writing component. Achieve an ACT composite of 19 or above and a minimum of 16 in all individual areas (English, Math, Reading, and Science). ACT Writing score must be a 6 or above. Scores must be current within the last 5 years. ACT Exemptions are not permitted.

F. Earn a minimum grade of “B” in “Principles of Occupational Therapy” course within the last two years.

G. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all courses, including transfer courses, and those completed at STC.

H. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series. Students with criminal histories must provide proof of licensure eligibility from the Executive Council of Physical Therapy Examiners (ECPTOTE). This process may take up to 6 months to complete. For more information contact the NAH Clinical Affairs Specialist at 872-3022.

I. Submit Documentation of Experience Forms as evidence of a minimum of twenty-five (25) hours of volunteer or work experience under the supervision of a COTA or OTR in two different settings, for a total of fifty (50) hours. One experience should be completed in an inpatient setting (hospital or nursing facility), and the other should be completed in a different type of setting such as an outpatient clinic or pediatric center. Home Health hours are not accepted. Therapists who supervise volunteer experiences cannot be a relative or personal friend of the student applicant.

J. Meet Technical Standards as stated by the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program.
Students interested in this program must complete the pre-requisite courses prior to applying for admission. Any of the other general education courses may also be taken before applying for admission into the program. Grades made in these courses will be computed using a “point system” for the student selection process.

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**Total Credit Hours: ** 60

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

Students must complete all CAPSTONE coursework with a passing grade to be eligible for graduation from the OTA program.
Physical Therapist Assistant

This Selective Program has a competitive entry selection process based on a competitive point system. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Physical Therapist Assistant Associate of Applied Science

Physical Therapist Assistants, or PTAs, are skilled health care providers who work under the supervision of a physical therapist. PTAs assist the physical therapist in implementing treatment programs to help restore or improve function, relieve pain, encourage independence, and educate patients and their families.

PTAs work in settings such as hospitals, nursing homes, outpatient clinics, home health, schools, sports facilities, and more. Patients/clients treated in physical therapy range from newborns to the elderly and sample diagnoses include athletic injuries, back/neck problems, strokes, spinal cord injuries, cerebral palsy, arthritis, and post-surgical conditions such as total joint replacements. Care provided by a PTA may include:

- teaching patients/clients exercises to increase movement and flexibility
- helping increase a patient’s/clients balance, strength and coordination
- providing training for activities such as walking with crutches, canes, or walkers
- use of physical agents and electrotherapy such as ultrasound and electrical stimulation

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program at South Texas College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, 1111 North Fairfield Street, Alexandria, VA 22314; telephone: 703-706-3245, email: accreditation@apta.org; website: http://www.capteonline.org.

Application Requirements

All applicants must:

A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Physical Therapy Assistant Program at (956) 872-3161.

B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent

C. Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.

D. Complete all prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of “B” as listed in the Physical Therapist Assistant Program degree plan. BIOL 2401 must be completed within the past five year and PTHA 1409 must be completed within the past two years.

E. Complete the ACT Exam including the Writing component. Achieve an ACT composite of 19 or above and a minimum of 16 in all individual areas (English, Math, Reading, and Science). ACT Writing score must be a 6 or above. Scores must be current within the last 5 years. ACT Exemptions are not permitted.

F. Earn a minimum grade of “B” in “Introduction to Physical Therapy” course within the last two years. Required ACT + Writing test scores are needed to register for this course.

G. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all courses, including transfer courses, and those completed at STC.

H. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series. Students with criminal histories must provide proof of licensure eligibility from the Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners (ECPTOTE). This process may take up to 6 months to complete. For more information contact the NAH Clinical Affairs Specialist at 872-3022.

I. Submit Documentation of Experience Forms as evidence of a minimum of twenty-five (25) hours of volunteer or work experience under the supervision of a PT or PTA in two different settings, for a total of fifty (50) hours. One experience should be completed in an inpatient setting (hospital or nursing facility), and the other should be completed in a different type of setting such as an outpatient clinic or pediatric center. Home Health hours are not accepted. Therapists who supervise volunteer experiences cannot be a relative or personal friend of the student applicant.

J. Meet Technical Standards as stated by the Physical Therapy Assistant Program.

K. Submit a completed Program application by stated deadline. For more information contact Physical Therapy Assistant Program at 872-3161 or access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu.

Competitive Entry Selection Process

The PTA Program selection process is based on a Point System evaluation. Points are awarded for the following selection criteria: GPA of PTA Program prerequisite and general education courses, volunteer/experience forms, interview scores, Health Occupations Aptitude Examination scores, and other optional items listed on the Application Form. Qualified applicants are numerically ranked based on the number of acceptance points earned, and are either accepted, placed on an alternate list, or not accepted. Due to program size limitations, a number of applicants who meet the additional program application requirements may not be admitted to the program. The typical number of new positions available on an annual basis is 20; the final number is dependent upon available resources. Should any of the accepted applicants decline admission, an alternate will be offered acceptance to the program. In the case of tied applicants, finalists will be chosen based on 1) previous alternate status, and 2) date of application.

A new applicant pool is established for each admission period. Applicants who are not admitted for the current application period must re-apply to be considered for a later application period. PTA Program applications are available annually from the PTA Program Department. The deadline for submission is the third Friday in May of the current year. Selection of students is made one time a year during the summer. Newly selected students attend program orientation in the summer and begin program classes in the fall semester.
Graduation Requirements
To earn an Associate of Applied Science Degree as a Physical Therapist Assistant, a student must meet college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of "C." Students must achieve a minimum score of 75 percent to pass all PTA courses. Students must also pass the Level II Exit Exam as a requirement of the final Capstone course.

Licensure of Persons with history of Criminal Conviction / Substance Abuse:
• According to the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners PT Rules 343.5 the Board may deny a license to or discipline an applicant/respondent who has been found to have a history of substance abuse.
• According to the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners PT Rules 343.9 the Board may revoke or suspend an existing valid license, disqualify a person from receiving or renewing a license or deny to a person the opportunity to be examined for a license because of a person's conviction of a felony or misdemeanor if the crime directly relates to the practice of physical therapy.

Additional information regarding rules governing licensure may be found in the complete Physical Therapy rules located on the Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy web site at: www.e cptote.state.tx.us

*STC Board Policy (#3337) applies to all students participating in a Nursing or Allied Health Program clinical course. This policy requires all students to pass a criminal background check and drug screening prior to enrolling in a clinical course. This policy is being implemented to ensure uniform compliance with health care agency and state licensing regulations. Students having questions about this rule should see the Clinical Affairs Specialists, the PTA Program Chair or the Dean of Nursing and Allied Health Division. All consultations are confidential.

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PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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Pre-requisite Semester Credit Hours
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I .......... 4
ENGL 1301 Composition ......................................... 3
PTHA 1409 Introduction to Physical Therapy ............. 4

FIRST YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II ............ 4
PTHA 1405 Basic Patient Care Skills ................. 4
PTHA 1413 Functional Anatomy ......................... 4
PTHA 2201 Essentials of Data Collection ............ 2

SECOND SEMESTER
PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development ........... 3
PTHA 1321 Pathophysiology for the PTA .......... 3
PTHA 1531 Physical Agents ............................. 5
PTHA 2509 Therapeutic Exercise ...................... 5

THIRD SEMESTER
PTHA 1266 Practicum I ..................................... 2
PTHA 2205 Neurology ........................................ 2

SECOND YEAR

FOURTH SEMESTER
PTHA 2431 Management of Neurological Disorders .... 4
PTHA 2435 Rehabilitation Techniques ............... 4
*Humanities Elective ........................................ 3

FIFTH SEMESTER
PTHA 2266 Practicum II (6 weeks) ................. 2
PTHA 2267 Practicum III (6 weeks) ................. 2
PTHA 2339 CAPSTONE:
Professional Issues ..................................... 3

Total Credit Hours: .......... 63

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

**APPROVED HUMANITIES ELECTIVES:
HUMA 1301, PHIL 1301, PHIL 2303, PHIL 2306

Nursing and Allied Health - Selective Programs, Competitive Entry 233
Radiologic Technology

This Selective Program has a competitive entry selection process based on a competitive point system. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Radiologic Technology Associate of Applied Science
Radiologic technologists are health care professionals who perform diagnostic imaging procedures that utilize ionizing radiation, such as x-ray examinations, fluoroscopic studies, and portable radiography. They are responsible for accurately positioning patients and ensuring that a quality diagnostic image is produced. They work closely with radiologists, the physicians who interpret medical images to either diagnose or rule out disease or injury.

The Associate of Applied Science Degree in Radiologic Technology at South Texas College is an approved program by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Accreditation Guidelines. The program provides educational and clinical experience that result in extensive knowledge in patient care, radiographic procedures, examination techniques, equipment operation, radiation protection, and image production and evaluation. Throughout the clinical and practicum aspects of the program, students will train in various medical facilities with experienced radiologic technologists.

Students are trained for employment as entry-level radiologic technologists in hospitals, outpatient imaging centers, mobile imaging services, and additional medical facilities. Upon completion of the program, graduates are eligible to sit for the national certification examination for Radiologic Technology administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Successful completion of this exam results in the designation of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Successful completion of the exam results in the designation of the title as a Registered Technologist in Radiography, or R.T. (R) (ARRT). The state of Texas also requires that individuals approved to work closely with radiologists.

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Program Admission Requirements
All applicants must:
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Radiologic Technology Program at (956) 872-3049.
B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent
C. Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.
D. Complete the ACT exam including the writing component. Achieve an ACT composite of 19 or above and a minimum of 16 in all individual areas (English, Math, Reading, and Science). ACT Writing score must be a 6 or above. Scores must be current within the last 5 years. ACT exemptions are not permitted.
E. Complete all prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of “B” as listed in the Radiologic Technology Program degree plan. BIOL2401 and Mathematics. Elective courses must be current within the last 5 years. RADR 1309 must be current within 2 years from the application date.
F. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all courses listed in the Radiologic Technology degree plan. This includes courses completed through South Texas College and transfer courses.
G. Be 18 years of age or older.
H. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series. Students with criminal histories must provide proof of certification eligibility from the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) prior to application. For more information contact the NAH Clinical Affairs Specialist at 872-3022.
I. Meet Technical Standards as stated by the Program.
J. Submit a completed Program application by stated deadline. For more information contact. Radiologic Technology Program at (956) 872-3049 or access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu.

Competitive Entry Selection Process
Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program is based on a point system score. Selection of students is made one time a year at the end of the spring semester. The deadline for applying to the Radiologic Technology Program is the last Friday in May of the current year. For specific information on the point system utilized for candidate selection, please contact the Radiologic Technology Program at 956-872-3049 or access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu.

A new applicant pool is established for each admission period. Applicants who were not admitted for the current application period must reapply to be considered for a later application period.

NOTE: Please see program WEB page for additional information regarding the application process http://nah.southtexascollege.edu/
Graduation Requirements
To earn an Associate of Applied Science in the Radiologic Technology Program, students must meet college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of "C" (75%) in didactic courses and minimum grade of "B" (80%) in the clinical/practicum courses. Students must also pass the written and practicum examinations as required of the final Capstone courses.

Diagnostic Medical Sonography Advanced Technical Certificate
Diagnostic medical sonographers are healthcare professionals who perform diagnostic imaging procedures with the use of high frequency sound waves (ultrasound) to produce dynamic visual images of organs, tissues, or blood flow inside the body. This type of procedure is often referred to as a sonogram or ultrasound scan. Diagnostic medical sonographers work closely with radiologists, the physicians who interpret medical images to either diagnose or rule out disease or injury. Sonography is a radiation-free imaging modality that has many applications in the diagnosis and treatment of medical conditions in the abdomen, obstetrics, heart, vascular system, and various superficial structures.

The Diagnostic Medical Sonography Advanced Technical Certificate at South Texas College is an approved program by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Accreditation Guidelines. The program provides educational and clinical experience that result in extensive knowledge in ultrasound physics and instrumentation, use of Doppler imaging, and cross-sectional anatomy and pathophysiology in the abdomen, pelvis, obstetrics, gynecology, and superficial structures. Throughout the clinical and practicum aspects of the program, students will train in various medical facilities with experienced sonographers. The Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program is an extension of the STC Radiologic Technology Program. As such, application requirements for entrance into the program will include an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Radiologic Technology acquired in an accredited program, current certification as a Registered Technologist by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), and current licensure by the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Upon successful completion of the program, students will receive an Advanced Technical Certificate in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. Students will also be competent to challenge the abdomen and obstetrics specialty examinations, which are two of the various specialties offered by the American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography (ARDMS) national examination.

Application Requirements
All applicants must:
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Radiologic Technology Program at (956) 872-3049.
B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent
C. Hold an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Radiologic Technology.
D. Provide proof of current American Registry of Radiologic Technologist (ARRT) certification as a Radiologic Technologist.
E. Provide proof of current licensure by the Texas Department of State Health Services as a Radiologic Technologist.
F. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series. Students with criminal histories must provide proof of compliance from the ARDMS prior to application.
G. Meet technical standards as stated by the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program.
H. Satisfy healthcare agency requirements prior to clinical practice.

Competitive Entry Selection Process
Admission to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program is based on a point system score. Selection of students is made one time a year. The deadline for applying to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program is the first Friday in September of the current year. For specific information on candidate selection process, please contact the Radiologic Technology Program at 956-872-3049 or access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu.

Graduation Requirements
To earn an Advanced Technical Certificate in the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program, students must meet college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of "C" in didactic courses and minimum grade of "B" in the clinical/practicum courses. Students must also pass the written and practicum examinations as required of the final Advanced Ultrasound and Review.

NOTE: Please see program WEB page for additional information regarding admission the application process curriculum changes, selection criteria and procedures, and application revisions at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu/

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# RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY

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# DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY

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**Total Credit Hours:** **39**

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Radiologic Technology

Nursing and Allied Health - Selective Programs, Competitive Entry
Respiratory Therapy

This Selective Program has a competitive entry selection process based on a competitive point system. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Respiratory Therapy Associate of Applied Science
This two-year program will prepare the student's knowledge, skills, and ethical attitude that will culminate in successful employment of the graduate as a licensed respiratory therapist. In turn, the graduate offers or provides optimal patient care to the community.

Application Requirements
All applicants must:
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Respiratory Therapy Program at (956) 872-3023.
B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent.
C. Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.
D. Complete all prerequisite courses with a minimum of "B" as listed in the Degree plan.
E. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, on a 4.0 scale.
F. Science coursework listed in the degree plan must be within the past 5 years of nursing clinical courses. For more information contact the NAH Clinical Affairs Specialist at 872-3022.
G. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series.
H. Meet Technical Standards as stated by the Program
I. Submit a completed Program application by stated deadline. For more information contact Respiratory Therapy Program at 872-3023 or access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu

Competitive Entry Selection Process
The Respiratory Therapy program selection criteria are based upon a point system score comprised of degree plan course G.P.A., number of degree plan courses, and required test scores. Due to program size limitations, a number of applicants who meet the program admissions requirements may not be admitted to the program. Qualified applications are ranked from highest to lowest points.

A new applicant pool is established for each admission period. Applicants who were not admitted for the current application period must re-apply to be considered for a later application period.

NOTE: Please see program WEB page for additional information regarding the application process http://nah.southtexascollege.edu/

Graduation Criteria
To earn an Associate of Applied Science in the Respiratory Therapy Program, a student must meet college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of "C" in didactic courses and minimum grade of "B" in the clinical/practicum courses.
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Total Credit Hours: **60**

Identifies courses to fulfill minimum 15 credit hour General Education Requirement

*Social/Behavioral Science Elective:  PSYC 2301; PSYC 2314; SOCI 1301; or SOCI 1306

**Humanities Elective: PHIL 2303; PHIL 2306; or HUMA 1301
This Selective Program has a competitive entry selection process based on a competitive point system. Application requirements are included in the description below.

Vocational Nursing Certificate
This intensive three semester program offers classroom instruction and related clinical practice in the four basic areas of nursing care: adults, mothers and newborns, children, and the elderly. Graduates of this program will have a wide array of opportunities for providing nursing care for patients in structured health care settings. Patients cared for by Vocational Nurses typically are experiencing common, well-defined health problems with predictable outcomes. Students seeking entry in the Vocational Nursing program must file a program specific application and complete additional admission procedures as required (see VN advisor for specific criteria, courses and procedures).

Application Requirements
All applicants must:
A. Participate in the required Prospective Student Information Session. For the session schedule, access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu or contact the Vocational Nursing Program at (956) 872-3135 or (956) 447-6632.
B. Be admitted to the college as a high school graduate or GED equivalent
C. Meet TSI College Readiness Standards, or meet TSI exemption standards.
D. Earn a minimum grade of “B” or better any of the following Math courses; TECM 1371, MATH 1414, or MATH 1332. Earn a “B” or better in the following: VNSG 1420 Anatomy & Physiology for Allied Health or both BIOL 2401 AND BIOL 2402.
E. Pass a criminal background check, 10-panel drug screen through approved providers, and complete all required immunizations including Hepatitis B series before beginning of nursing clinical courses. For more information contact the NAH Clinical Affairs Specialist at 872-3022.
F. Meet Technical Standards as stated by the Program.
G. Submit a completed Program application by stated deadline. For more information contact Vocational Nursing Program at (956) 872-3135 or (956) 447-6632 or access the information online at http://nah.southtexascollege.edu.

Competitive Entry Selection Process
The VN Program selection process is based on Point System evaluation. The selection criteria are used to assess the applicant's acceptance points. Points are given for the following selection criteria: VN program prerequisite courses, Prerequisite G. P. A., and other optional items listed in the Application Form. A maximum acceptance point is calculated for each application period based on the qualified applicant pool and the number of slots available. Maximum acceptance points may vary for each application period. Due to program size limitations, a number of applicants who meet the program additional requirements may not be admitted to the program. Qualified applications with total points above acceptance score will be admitted and applicants with total points below the acceptance score will be denied. Applicants with total points equal to the acceptance score will be designated as alternates. Should any of the admitted applicants decline admission, an alternate will be offered admissions to the program. A random draw of alternate applicants with the total points equal to the acceptance score will be used as necessary.

A new applicant pool is established for each admission period. Applicants who were not admitted for the current application period must re-apply to be considered for a later application period.

NOTE: Please see program WEB page for additional information regarding the application process http://nah.southtexascollege.edu/

Graduation Requirements
To earn a certificate in Vocational Nursing, a student must meet college graduation requirements and complete all coursework as prescribed in the degree plan with a minimum grade of “C.”
VOCATIONAL NURSING

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FIRST SEMESTER

Credit Hours

VNSG 1420 Anatomy and Physiology for Allied Health or BIOL 2401 AND BIOL 2402 ................. 4-8
VNSG 1500 Nursing in Health and Illness I .......... 5
VNSG 1304 Foundations of Nursing ................. 3
VNSG 1323 Basic Nursing Skills ..................... 3
VNSG 1160 Clinical I-A .................................. 1
VNSG 1161 Clinical I-B .................................. 1
VNSG 1327 Essentials of Medication Administration .................................. 3
HPRS 1106 Essentials of Medical Terminology .................................. 1

SECOND SEMESTER

VNSG 1509 Nursing in Health and Illness II ....... 5
VNSG 1162 Clinical II-A .................................. 1
VNSG 2331 Advanced Nursing Skills ................. 3
VNSG 1230 Maternal-Neonatal Nursing ............ 2
VNSG 1234 Pediatrics .................................... 2
VNSG 1261 Clinical II-B .................................. 2

THIRD SEMESTER (SUMMER SESSION)

VNSG 2510 Nursing In Health and Illness III ... 5
VNSG 1105 NCLEX-PN Review ....................... 1
VNSG 1362 Clinical III ................................... 3

CAPSTONE: Successfully passing VNSG 2510, VNSG 1105 and VNSG 1362.

Total Credit Hours: ........ 45-49

Licensure of Persons with Criminal Convictions
Nurse Practice Act for the State of Texas (Senate Bill 1058) made criminal background checks mandatory for students accepted for enrollment in a nursing education program and permits the Board of Nursing (BON or Board) to initiate declaratory orders for eligibility proceedings based on positive criminal background checks; made permanent the Board’s authority to impose deferred disciplinary action; clarified that action may be taken against a nurse’s license based on action taken by a division of the United States Military; authorized the BON, in conjunction with a disciplinary action, to require a nurse to abstain from use of alcohol and drugs and submit to random drug testing; provided for limited non-disclosure of disciplinary proceedings that result in a Board order requiring the nurse to participate in a Board-approved peer assistance program to address a problem that the nurse is experiencing with mental illness or chemical dependency; as well as making other changes relating to disciplinary action taken by the Board.

The STC Board of Trustees approved Board Policy #3337 on July 15, 2004 for all students participating in any Nursing and Allied Health clinical program meet established program standards for professional practice established by the Dean of Nursing and Allied Health. This policy is implemented to ensure compliance with health care agency standards and state licensing regulations. This policy is being implemented to ensure uniform compliance with healthcare agency and state licensing regulations. Students having questions about this rule should see the Clinical Affairs Specialists or the VN Program Chair. All consultations are confidential.

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**ACCOUNTING**

- **ACCT 2401**
  Principles of Financial Accounting
  CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:03
  This course is an introduction to the fundamental concepts of financial accounting as prescribed by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to transactions and events that affect business organizations. Students will examine the procedures and systems to accumulate, analyze, measure, and record financial transactions. Students will use recorded financial information to prepare a balance sheet, income statement, statement of cash flows, and statement of shareholders’ equity to communicate the business entity’s results of operations and financial position to users of financial information who are external to the company. Students will study the nature of assets, liabilities, and owners’ equity while learning to use reported financial information for purposes of making decisions about the company. Students will be exposed to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).
  Prerequisite: ACNT 1303 or completion of MATH 0085 or equivalent.

- **ACCT 2402**
  Principles of Managerial Accounting
  CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:03
  This course is an introduction to the fundamental concepts of managerial accounting appropriate for all organizations. Students will study information from the entity’s accounting system relevant to decisions made by internal managers, as distinguished from information relevant to users who are external to the company. The emphasis is on the identification and assignment of product costs, operational budgeting and planning, cost control, and management decision making. Topics include product costing methodologies, cost behavior, operational and capital budgeting, and performance evaluation.
  Prerequisite: ACCT 2401.

- **ACNT 1303**
  Introduction to Accounting I
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02
  This course is a study of analyzing, classifying, and recording business transactions in a manual and computerized environment. Emphasis is placed on understanding the complete accounting cycle and preparing financial statements, bank reconciliation, and payroll.
  Prerequisite: None.

- **ACNT 1304**
  Introduction to Accounting II
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:04
  This course is a study of accounting for merchandising, notes payable, notes receivable, valuation of receivables and equipment, and valuation of inventories in a manual and computerized environment.
  Prerequisite: ACNT 1303.

- **ACNT 1311**
  Introduction to Computerized Accounting
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02
  This course is an introduction to utilizing the computer in maintaining accounting records, making management decisions, and processing common business applications with primary emphasis on a general ledger package.
  Prerequisite: ACNT 1303, ITSC 1409 or COSC 1307.

- **ACNT 1329**
  Payroll & Business Tax Accounting
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02
  This course is a study of payroll procedures, taxing entities, and reporting requirements of local, state, and federal taxing authorities in a manual and computerized environment.
  Prerequisite: ACNT 1303.

- **ACNT 1331**
  Federal Income Tax: Individual
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02
  This course is a study of the federal tax laws currently implemented by the IRS, providing a working knowledge of preparing income tax returns for the individual.
  Prerequisite: ACNT 1303.

- **ACNT 2309**
  Cost Accounting
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02
  This course is a study of budgeting, cost analysis and cost control systems using traditional and contemporary costing methods and theories in decision making, including a detailed study of manufacturing cost accounts and reports, job order costing, and process costing. An introduction to alternative costing methods such as activity-based and just-in-time costing is included.
  Prerequisite: ACCT 2401 and ACCT 2402.

- **ACNT 2330**
  Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02
  This course is a study of basic concepts and techniques of fund accounting and financial reporting for governmental and not-for-profit entities. The accounting cycle for funds and account groups and related financial statements will also be covered.
  Prerequisite: ACNT 1303.

- **ACNT 2331**
  Internal Control and Auditing
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:02
  This course is the study of internal controls and auditing standards and processes used by internal auditors, managers, and independent public accountants.
  Prerequisite: ACNT 1303.

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**ADVANCED MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY**

( Formerly Precision Manufacturing Technology )

- **DFTG 1313**
  Drafting for Specific Occupations
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:04
  This course is a discussion of theory and practice with drafting methods and the terminology required for non-drafting majors to prepare working drawings in Precision Manufacturing.
  Prerequisite: DFTG 1325.

- **DFTG 1325**
  Blueprint Reading and Sketching
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
  This course is an introduction to reading and interpreting the working drawings for manufactured products and associated tooling. Students will utilize sketching techniques to create pictorial and multiple-view drawings.
  Prerequisite: None.

- **MCHN 1319**
  Manufacturing Materials and Processes
  CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:04
  This course is a basic study of various materials used in the manufacturing industry and the chemical, physical, and mechanical properties of various materials. Emphasis is placed on manufacturing processes, including casting, forming, and machining.
  Prerequisite: MCHN 1338 or MCHN 1352.
MCHN 1320 Precision Tools and Measurement
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to the modern science of dimensional metrology. Emphasis is placed on the identification, selection, and application of various types of precision instruments associated with the machine trade. Students will gain practice of basic layout and piece-part measurements while using standard measuring tools.
Prerequisite: None.

MCHN 1326 Introduction to Computer-Aided Manufacturing (CAM)
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a study of Computer-Aided Manufacturing (CAM) software which is used to create part programs, transfer programs to the machine control unit and machine parts.
Prerequisite: MCHN 1338 or MCHN 1352.

MCHN 1338 Basic Machine Shop I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:08
This is an introductory course that assists the student in understanding the machinist occupation in industry. The student begins by using basic machine tools such as the lathe, milling machine, drill press, power saw, and bench grinder. Machine terminology, theory, math, part layout, and bench work using common measuring tools is included. Emphasis is placed on shop safety, housekeeping, and preventative maintenance.
Prerequisite: None.

MCHN 1343 Machine Shop Mathematics
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is designed to prepare the student with technical, applied mathematics that will be necessary in future machine-shop-related courses.
Prerequisite: None.

MCHN 1352 Intermediate Machining I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:06
This course covers the operation of drills, milling machines, lathes, and power saws, and provides an introduction to precision measuring techniques.
Prerequisite: None.

MCHN 1382 Capstone: Preparatory Education I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20
In this course, career related activities encountered in the student’s area of specialization are offered through a cooperative agreement between the college, employer, and student. Supervision of the college and the employer, the student combines classroom learning with work experience. Directly related to technical discipline, specific learning objectives guide the student through the work experience.
Prerequisite: None.

MCHN 2303 Fundamentals of Computer Numerical Controlled (CNC) Machine Controls
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:06
This course is a study in the programming and operation of Computer Numerical Controlled (CNC) machine shop equipment.
Prerequisite: MCHN 1338 or MCHN 1352.

MCHN 2341 Advanced Machining I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This is an advanced study of lathe and milling operations. Emphasis is placed on advanced cutting operations of the lathe and milling machines, including the use of carbide insert tooling, bench assembly and metals metallurgy.
Prerequisite: MCHN 1338 or MCHN 1352.

MCHN 2382 Capstone: Tool & Die Technology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20
In this course, career related activities encountered in the student’s area of specialization are offered through a cooperative agreement between the college, employer and student. Under supervision of the college and the employer, the student combines classroom learning with work experience. Directly related to a technical discipline, specific learning objectives guide the student through the work experience.
Prerequisite: None.

MCHN 2435 Advanced CNC Machining
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is a study of advanced CNC operation with an emphasis on programming and operations of machining and turning centers.
Prerequisite: MCHN 2303.

MCHN 2438 Advanced Computer-Aided Manufacturing (CAM)
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is a study of advanced techniques in Computer-Aided Manufacturing (CAM).
Prerequisite: MCHN 1326.

MCHN 2447 Specialized Tools and Fixtures
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:07
This is an advanced course in the designing and building of special tools, such as jigs, fixtures, punch press dies and molds. This course covers the machining and assembling of a production tool, using conventional machine shop equipment. It includes the application of production tool theory, care and maintenance.
Prerequisite: MCHN 1338 or MCHN 1352.

QCTC 1305 Teaming
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study in group dynamics, synergy, team building, consensus decision making, work place communication skills, active listening skills, win/win resolution, confrontation skills, creativity, and brainstorming. Students will examine team presentation skill, overall team communication, and resolving personality conflicts.
Prerequisite: None.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE
◆SGNL 1301 Beginning American Sign Language I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is a comprehensive first semester Beginning American Sign Language course. This course will include an introduction to American Sign Language, Deaf culture, and to a brief history of sign and culture. Furthermore, students will also develop and learn expressive and receptive sign skills, together with the learning of numbers, sign vocabulary, and the manual alphabet. Class is conducted primary without voice.
Prerequisite: None.

◆SGNL 1302 Beginning American Sign Language II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is a comprehensive second semester Beginning American Sign Language course. This course will include study of sign vocabulary, numbers, finger spelling, and Deaf culture. Furthermore, this course emphasizes on further development of receptive skills, expressive skills, application of rudimentary syntactical and grammatical structures, and an understanding
of Deaf and Hearing cultures. Class is conducted primary without voice.
Prerequisite: SLNG 1301.

◆ SLNG 2301 Intermediate American Sign Language I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is a comprehensive Intermediate American Sign Language course. This course includes the integration of ASL expressive and receptive skills using bilingual techniques. Furthermore, a study of vocabulary, idioms, culture, literature, ASL linguistics, manual and non-manual aspects of ASL, and cross-cultural communication techniques will be an integral part of this course. This course is highly interactive, centering on lab exercises, peer critiques, guest speakers, and on the application of basic ethical behavior. Class is conducted primary without voice.
Prerequisite: SLNG 1301 and SLNG 1302 or departmental placement exam.

◆ SLNG 2302 Intermediate American Sign Language II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is a comprehensive Intermediate American Sign Language course. This course will include further application of introductory level interpreting and transliterating skills with appropriate RID guidelines governing ethical behavior. Furthermore, students will also be exposed to the literature and culture of the Deaf culture. In addition, this course provides students the opportunity to interpret for guest speakers. Class is conducted primary without voice.
Prerequisite: SLNG 2301.

SLNG 1300 Fundamentals for Deaf Support Specialist/Service Provider
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is designed to instruct students in how to work with deaf consumers in a variety of settings, including but not limited to, job coaching, mentoring, tutoring, and/or advocacy work.
Prerequisite: None.

SLNG 1304 American Sign Language (ASL) I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course is an introduction to the basic skills needed in the production and comprehension of American Sign Language (ASL). Course work includes focus on the manual alphabet, numbers, conversational skills, culturally appropriate behaviors, and ASL grammar.
Prerequisite: None.

SLNG 1305 American Sign Language (ASL) II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
ASL Beginning II develops receptive and expressive ability and allows for recognition and demonstration of more sophisticated grammatical features of American Sign Language (ASL). This course increases fluency and accuracy in fingerspelling and numbers, and provides opportunities for interaction within the deaf community.
Prerequisite: SLNG 1304 or SLNG 1301.

SLNG 1311 Fingerspelling and Numbers
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course develops expressive and receptive fingerspelling skills. Receptive skills focus on whole-word and phrase recognition as well as identifying fingerspelling words in context. Expressive skills focus on the development of speed, clarity, and fluency.
Prerequisite: SLNG 1304 or SLNG 1301.

SLNG 1315 Visual/Gestural Communication
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course develops skills in non-verbal communication. This course emphasizes the use and understanding of facial expressions, gestures, pantomime, and body language. Instructional methods include the creation and/or performance of stories using these elements.
Prerequisite: SLNG 1304 or SLNG 1301.

SLNG 1317 Introduction to the Deaf Community
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an overview of the physical, educational, social, and cultural implications of deafness and hearing loss within the context of an individual’s personal life, family and community in today’s multicultural society. Coursework focuses on current educational and vocational programs, legislation, technology, and other pertinent issues.
Prerequisite: None.

SLNG 1321 Introduction to the Interpreting Profession
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an overview of the field of sign language interpretation. The class provides a historical framework for the principles, ethics, roles, responsibilities, and standard practices of the interpreting profession.
Prerequisite: None.

SLNG 1344 American Sign Language (ASL) III
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course integrates and refines expressive and receptive skills in American Sign Language (ASL), which includes recognition of sociolinguistic variations. The preferred method of instruction will be a practice oriented approach to language acquisition, which includes the use of multimedia.
Prerequisite: SLNG 1305 or SLNG 1302.

SLNG 1345 American Sign Language (ASL) IV
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course is an integration of expressive and receptive skills in American Sign Language with emphasis on literature, discourse style, and contextualization at an intermediate level. It provides students with information on idiomatic/colloquial usages of signs, as well as grammatical structures for complex sentences.
Prerequisite: SLNG 1344 or SLNG 2301.

SLNG 1347 Deaf Culture
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides a historical and contemporary perspective of American deaf culture using a sociocultural model. Topics addressed include cultural identity, core values, group norms, communication, and language as well as significant contributions made by deaf people to the world community.
Prerequisite: None.

SLNG 1350 Sign-To-Voice
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course provides skill development in interpreting and transliterating from American Sign Language and other modes of communication to English and analysis of increasingly complex tasks utilizing simulated interpreting experiences including skills analysis and peer evaluation.
Prerequisite: SLNG 1305 or SLNG 1302.

SLNG 2187 Capstone: Internship I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:06
Internship I is an experience external to the college for an advanced student in a specialized field involving a written agreement between the educational institution and a business or industry. Mentored and supervised by a workplace employee, the student
SLNG 2188 Capstone: Internship II
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:00
Internship II is an experience external to the college for an advanced student in a specialized field involving a written agreement between the educational institution and a business or industry. Mentored and supervised by a workplace employee, the student achieves objectives that are developed and documented by the college that are directly related to specific occupational outcomes. This may be a paid or unpaid experience. This course may be repeated if topics and learning outcomes vary. Prerequisite: Permission from the Department.

SLNG 2189 Capstone: Internship III
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:00
Internship III is an experience external to the college for an advanced student in a specialized field involving a written agreement between the educational institution and a business or industry. Mentored and supervised by a workplace employee, the student achieves objectives that are developed and documented by the college that are directly related to specific occupational outcomes. This may be a paid or unpaid experience. This course may be repeated if topics and learning outcomes vary. Prerequisite: Permission from the Department.

SLNG 2303 Transliterating
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This is a practice-oriented course designed to develop the foundation skills necessary for rendering spoken English into a manually coded English format, and from a manually coded English system into spoken English. An integral part of this course will be defining, recognizing, and incorporating features of transliterations. Prerequisite: ENGL 1301, DRAM 1351, SPCH 1318, BIOL 2401, PSYC 2301, PHIL 2306, SLNG 1321, SLNG 1311, SLNG 1315, SLNG 1347, SLNG 1344 or SGNL 2301, SLNG 2401, SLNG 1345, SLNG 2411, SLNG 1350, and Mid-Program Evaluation.

SLNG 2330 Advanced Techniques for Deaf Support Specialists/Service Providers
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course incorporates advanced concepts of practical general training and experiences in a structured classroom setting. Students will participate in various role-playing activities including, but not limited to, job coaching, mentoring, literacy, tutoring, and advocacy work. Prerequisite: SLNG 1345 or SGNL 2302, SLNG 1300.

SLNG 2370 Trilingual Interpreting I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course will include the development of inter-lingual skills (English to Spanish/Spanish to English/American Sign Language (ASL) to Spanish/English to ASL). The student will begin to demonstrate an ability to produce dynamic equivalence from a source language to a target language with an emphasis in Spanish to ASL and ASL to Spanish. Prerequisite: Certification.

SLNG 2372 Trilingual Interpreting II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course will focus on the enhancement of trilingual interpreting skills with continued exposure of more complex source material. This will include trilingual interpreting experiences through the use of multimedia materials in the classroom. Prerequisite: SLNG 2370 and SPAN 2311.

SLNG 2373 Latino Interpreting Issues
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides a historical and contemporary perspective of Latino cultures with an emphasis on Mexican-American culture. Topics include cultural values, group norms, communication, language differences among Latinos, and standard practices of the interpreting profession. Prerequisite: Certification, SLNG 1321.

SLNG 2401 Interpreting I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
Interpreting I is an overview of the interpreting process and current models. It introduces the skills necessary to achieve message equivalency in interpreting. The student will identify interpreting process models and will apply these models to text analysis. The student will differentiate contextual factors affecting language usage in the interpreting process, and will begin to demonstrate an ability to produce dynamic equivalence from source language to target language. Prerequisite: ENGL 1301, DRAM 1351, SPCH 1318, BIOL 2401, PSYC 2301, PHIL 2306, SLNG 1321, SLNG 1311, SLNG 1315, SLNG 1347, SLNG 1344 or SGNL 2301, and Mid-Program Evaluation.

SLNG 2402 Interpreting II
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
Interpreting II is an overview of the interpreting process and current models. It introduces the skills necessary to achieve message equivalency in interpreting. The student will identify interpreting process models and will apply these models to text analysis. The student will differentiate contextual factors affecting language usage in the interpreting process, and will begin to demonstrate an ability to produce dynamic equivalence from source language to target language. Prerequisite: ENGL 1301, DRAM 1351, SPCH 1318, BIOL 2401, PSYC 2301, PHIL 2306, SLNG 1321, SLNG 1311, SLNG 1315, SLNG 1347, SLNG 1345 or SGNL 2302, SLNG 2187, SLNG 2401, and Mid-Program Evaluation.

SLNG 2411 Interpreting in Specialized Settings
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course focuses on interpreting/transliterating for special populations (e.g., deafblind, high visual, oral deaf) in a variety of settings (e.g., religious, artistic, medical, legal, mental health). Activities are designed to reinforce basic theories and techniques related to working with special populations in various settings. Prerequisite: SLNG 1321, SLNG 1344 or SGNL 2301.

SLNG 2431 Interpreting III
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This is a practice-oriented course designed to strengthen skills in the integration and application of cognitive processing for more complex source material. Continued exposure to simulated interpreting experiences through the use of multimedia materials will be incorporated into classroom activities. Prerequisite: ENGL 1301, DRAM 1351, SPCH 1318, BIOL 2401, PSYC 2301, PHIL 2306, SLNG 1321, SLNG 1311, SLNG 1315, SLNG 1347, SLNG 1345 or SGNL 2302, SLNG 2187, SLNG 2188, and Mid-Program Evaluation.
This course will provide students with expanding knowledge and utilization of American Sign Language (ASL) vocabulary demonstrating semantic accuracy and discourse strategies. Theory and practice of major linguistic principles in ASL will be discussed. Prerequisite: ENGL 1301, ORAM 1341, SPCH 1318, BIOL 2401, PSYC 2301, PHIL 2306, SLNG 1321, SLNG 1311, SLNG 1315, SLNG 1347, SLNG 1344 or SGNL 2301, SGNL 2317, SGNL 2401, SGNL 1345, SGNL 2411, SGNL 1350, and Mid-Program Evaluation.

ANTHROPOLOGY

◆ ANTH 2301
Physical Anthropology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course serves as an introduction to the theory of human evolution, the study of different hominid species, prehistoric development, and the emergence of culture. It also covers the primary elements of biological, cultural, and social evolution of humans from past to present day. Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆ ANTH 2302
Introduction to Archeology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course serves as an introduction to the history, methods, theory, methods of data collection and analysis in the field of modern archeology. It also covers the major events in the development of the world’s cultures. Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆ ANTH 2346
General Anthropology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is a study of human beings, their antecedents and related primates and their cultural behavior and institutions. This course introduces the major sub-fields: physical and cultural anthropology, archaeology, linguistics and ethnology. (Cross-listed as HUMA 2323.) Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆ ANTH 2351
Cultural Anthropology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers key concepts, methods and theory in the study of cultural diversity, social institutions, linguistics, and cultural change among world peoples. Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

ART

◆ ARTS 1301
Art Appreciation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a general introduction to the visual arts designed to create an appreciation of the vocabulary, media, techniques, and purposes of the creative process. Students will critically interpret and evaluate works of art within formal, cultural and historical contexts. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

◆ ARTS 1303
Art History I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is a chronological analysis of the historical and cultural contexts of the visual arts from prehistoric times to the 14th century. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

◆ ARTS 1304
Art History II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is a chronological analysis of the historical and cultural contexts of the visual arts from the 14th century to the present day. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

◆ ARTS 1311
Design I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to the fundamental terminology, concepts, theory, and application of two-dimensional design. Prerequisite: None.

◆ ARTS 1312
Design II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to the fundamental terminology, concepts, theory, and application of three-dimensional design. Prerequisite: ARTS 1311 or approval of the instructor.

◆ ARTS 1316
Drawing I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
A foundation studio course exploring drawing with emphasis on descriptive, expressive and conceptual approaches. Students will learn to see and interpret a variety of subjects while using diverse materials and techniques. Course work will facilitate a dialogue in which students will engage in critical analysis and begin to develop their understanding of drawing as a discipline. Prerequisite: None.

◆ ARTS 1317
Drawing II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
A studio course exploring drawing with continued emphasis on descriptive, expressive and conceptual approaches. Students will further develop the ability to see and interpret a variety of subjects while using diverse materials and techniques. Course work will facilitate a dialogue in which students will employ critical analysis to broaden their understanding of drawing as a discipline. Students choosing to enroll in sections with live nude models must have chair approval and be a minimum of 18 years of age according to Board Policy 3642. Prerequisite: ARTS 1316.

◆ ARTS 1325
Drawing & Painting
(for Non-Art majors)
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This studio course focuses on the investigation of the descriptive and expressive qualities of drawing and painting media for the beginning art student. Prerequisite: None.

◆ ARTS 2313
Design Communications I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course explores the communication of ideas through processes and techniques of graphic design and illustrations. The translation of verbal language into visual language through a variety of media and software will be covered. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

◆ ARTS 2314
Design Communications II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course explores the communication of ideas through processes and techniques of graphic design and illustrations. It is a continuation of ARTS 2313 and focuses on more complex approaches to visual translation. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent, and ARTS 2313.

◆ ARTS 2316
Painting I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This studio course explores the potential of painting media with an emphasis on color, composition and the dynamics of vision. Prerequisite: None.
ARTS 2317 Painting II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This studio course is a further investigation of painting media and techniques with emphasis on personal expression. This course may be repeated once for an additional three credit hours as a study in advanced problems and techniques. Prerequisite: ARTS 2316 or approval of the instructor.

ARTS 2323 Life Drawing I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a further investigation of drawing media and techniques with further emphasis on personal expression and concepts. This course can be repeated once for an additional three credit hours as a study in advanced problems or techniques. Prerequisite: ARTS 1317 or approval of the instructor.

ARTS 2326 Sculpture I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This studio course explores the potential of three-dimensional form in a variety of media. Prerequisite: None.

ARTS 2333 Printmaking I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This studio course explores the use of basic printmaking media and techniques. Prerequisite: None.

ARTS 2341 Art Metals I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an exploration of ideas using basic techniques in jewelry and metal construction. Prerequisite: None.

ARTS 2346 Ceramics I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This studio course explores the preparation and manipulation of clay for the creation of ceramics. Prerequisite: None.

ARTS 2347 Ceramics II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This studio course is a further investigation of the preparation and manipulation of clay for the creation of ceramics. This course may be repeated once for an additional three credit hours as a study in advanced problems and techniques. Prerequisite: ARTS 2346 or approval of instructor.

ARTS 2348 Digital Art I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This studio art course explores the potential of the computer hardware and software medium for their visual, conceptual, and practical uses in the visual arts. Prerequisite: None.

ARTS 2356 Photography I *(Fine Arts Emphasis)
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to the basics of photography. It includes camera operation, techniques, and presentation skills. Emphasis is placed on design, history, and contemporary trends as a means of developing an understanding of photographic aesthetics. Prerequisite: None.

*Additional material costs for paper and printing will be required in this course and is the responsibility of the student to purchase these materials when needed. Students must have a digital camera with fully manual exposure controls for this course.

ARTS 2357 Photography II *(Fine Arts Emphasis)
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a further investigation of the processes and aesthetics of photography with an emphasis on personal development. The course can be repeated once for an additional three credit hours as a study in Advanced Problems and Techniques.

ARTS 2367 Architectural Cooperative
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an instructional program designed to integrate on-campus study with practical hands-on work experience as a practicing artist. In conjunction with class seminars, the individual student will set specific goals and objectives in the study and/or practice of studio art and/or art history.

Prerequisite: ARTS 1311, ARTS 1312, ARTS 1316, ARTS 1317.

ARCH 1311 Introduction to Architecture
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to architecture that explores...
the practices, principles, and wider context of architecture and design. It focuses on the role of architecture in society, culture, and the broader physical context of the built environment. This course is intended to fulfill all or part of the following National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) Student Performance Criteria: A.8 Cultural Diversity and Social Equity, D.1 Stakeholder Roles in Architecture.

Prerequisite: None.

ARTC 1402
Digital Imaging I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers digital imaging using raster image editing and/or image creation software: scanning, resolution, file formats, output devices, color systems, and image acquisitions.

Prerequisite: Completion of ARCE 1421.

ARTV 1351
Digital Video
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course provides skill development in producing and editing video and sound for multimedia or web productions. Emphasis is placed on the capture, edit, and outputting of video using a desktop digital video workstation.

Prerequisite: PHTC 2431.

DFTG 1310
Specialized Basic Computer-Aided Drafting (CAD)
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This is a supplemental course to Basic Computer-Aided Drafting using an alternative computer-aided drafting (CAD) software to create detail and working drawings. Utilization of Civil 3D, Revit or similar programs will be emphasized.

Prerequisite: DFTG 2419 and ARCE 1452.

DFTG 1315
Architectural Blueprint Reading and Sketching
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course examines the fundamentals of blueprint reading for the construction industry.

Prerequisite: Completion or Concurrent enrollment in DFTG 1409.

DFTG 1357
Specialized Intermediate Computer-Aided Drafting (CAD)
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a continuation of practices and techniques used in Specialized Basic Computer-Aided Drafting. It emphasizes advanced dimensioning techniques, the development and use of prototype drawings, construction of pictorial drawings, interfacing two-dimensional (2D) and/or three-dimensional (3D) environments and extracting data. Utilization of Revit based or similar programs will be emphasized.

Prerequisite: ARCE 1452 and DFTG 2419.

DFTG 1371
Introduction to the Civil Drafting Profession
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to the civil drafting profession. It familiarizes the student with local businesses, common practices, and professional advancement. The course also introduces and explores the various types of drawings, maps, and plans that are prepared by civil engineering firms and surveyors.

Prerequisite: None.

DFTG 1380
Cooperative Education
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01
This course is a cooperative program which allows for the co-operation between the college, employer, and student. Under supervision of the college and the employer, the student combines classroom learning with work experience. Directly related to a technical discipline, specific learning objectives guide the student through the work experience.

Prerequisite: DFTG 2438.

DFTG 1409
Basic Computer-Aided Drafting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to basic computer-aided drafting. Emphasis is placed on basic computer operating principles, hardware descriptions and requirements, drawing setup; creating and modifying geometry; storing and retrieving predefined shapes; placing, rotating, and scaling objects, adding text and dimensions, using layers, coordinating systems; as well as input and output devices.

Prerequisite: None.

DFTG 1417
Architectural Drafting-Residential
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of architectural drafting procedures, practices, and symbols. Preparation of detailed working drawings for residential structures is covered.

Emphasis is placed on light frame construction methods.

Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in DFTG 2419.

DFTG 1492
Special Topics in Architectural Drafting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
Topics address recently identified current events, skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes and behavior pertinent to the technology or occupation and relevant to the professional development of the student. This course was designed to be repeated multiple times to improve student proficiency. It will expand on the application of architectural specific software and architectural techniques to be further integrated into commercial, residential, and industrial project documents. Utilization of Revit based or similar programs will be emphasized.

Prerequisite: DFTG 2331.

DFTG 1493
Special Topics in Civil Drafting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course discusses basic concepts in civil drafting, map scales, map features, survey fundamentals, contour lines, plot plans, road layout and profiles, earthwork, and utilization of CAD systems in the development of various civil engineering related projects. The topic of study chosen by the instructor may change from semester to semester.

Prerequisite: None.

DFTG 2331
Advanced Technologies in Architectural Design and Drafting
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course covers the use of architectural specific software to execute the elements required in designing standard architectural exhibits utilizing custom features to create walls, windows and specific design requirements for construction in residential/commercial and industrial architecture. The student will further use architectural techniques to design, assemble, evaluate, and render architectural building components; plan and develop elevation drawings and details from three-dimensional architectural models utilizing Revit based or similar programs.

Prerequisite: DFTG 1417 and DFTG 2428.
Course Descriptions

**DFTG 2419** Intermediate Computer-Aided Drafting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a continuation of practices and techniques used in basic computer-aided drafting emphasizing advanced dimensioning techniques, the development and use of prototype drawings, construction of pictorial drawings, interfacing 2d and/or 3d environments and extracting data. A portfolio to be submitted for evaluation will be required.
Prerequisite: DFTG 1409.

**DFTG 2421** Topographical Drafting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers plotting of surveyor’s field notes. It includes drawing elevations, contour lines, plan and profiles, and laying out traverses.
Prerequisite: DFTG 1409 and concurrent enrollment in DFTG 2419.

**DFTG 2428** Architectural Drafting-Commercial
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers architectural drafting procedures, practices, and symbols including the preparation of detailed working drawings for a commercial building, with emphasis on commercial construction methods. Emphasis will be placed on developing drawings to show the functionality of structures using specified building materials and following current building codes. Building types to be covered will be residential, commercial, industrial and institutional.
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in DFTG 2419.

**DFTG 2430** Civil Drafting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This is an in-depth study of drafting methods and principles used in civil engineering.
Prerequisite: SRVY 1413 and DFTG 2421.

**DFTG 2432** Capstone: Advanced Computer-Aided Drafting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course presents the application of advanced CADD techniques, including the use of a customized system. Presentation of advanced drawing applications, such as three-dimensional solids modeling and linking graphic entities to external non-graphic data will be covered.
Prerequisite: SRVY 1413, ARCE 1452.

**DFTG 2438** Capstone: Final Project—Advanced Drafting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This is a drafting course in which students participate in a comprehensive project from conception to conclusion.
Prerequisite: Completion of DFTG 1417 and DFTG 2428.

**DFTG 2440** Solid Modeling/Design
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This is a computer-aided modeling course. This course covers development of three-dimensional drawings and models from engineering sketches and orthographic drawings. The application of rendering and animation techniques in design work will also be discussed.
Prerequisite: DFTG 1409, ARTC 1402.

**GISC 1301** Cartography and Geography In GIS & GPS
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to the principles of cartography and geography. Emphasis will be placed on global reference systems and the use of satellites for measurements and navigation.
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in GISC 2320.

**GISC 1311** Introduction to Geographic Information Systems
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to the basic concepts of vector GIS using several industry specific software programs including nomenclature of cartography and geography.
Prerequisite: Completion of, or concurrent enrollment in DFTG 1409.

**GISC 1321** Introduction to Raster-Based GIS
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course provides instruction in GIS data sets including raster-based information such as images or photographs, acquisition of such data, and processing and merging with vector data.
Prerequisite: Completion of concurrent enrollment in GISC 1311.

**GISC 1364** Capstone: GIS Practicum
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:21
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: DFTG 2419 and GISC 1311.

**GISC 2303** Fundamentals of Logistics with GIS
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course focuses on multiple data sources and their location-based relationships. It incorporates exposure to modes of transportation, resources, and product distribution and the combination of these elements with time, distance, and GPS technology for support of GIS analysis as relating to logistics.
Prerequisite: GISC 1311 and GISC 1321.

**GISC 2311** Geographic Information Systems & Applications
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course provides application of GIS technology to real workplace applications from public and private sectors. Completion of Global Positioning System (GPS) fieldwork is required for lab exercises.
Prerequisite: GISC 1301, GISC 1321, and DFTG 2419.

**GISC 2320** Intermediate Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course focuses on the study of spatial data structures and the display, manipulation, and analysis of geographic information. Students will study the technical aspects involved in spatial data handling, analysis and modeling. Instruction will include theories and procedures associated with the implementation and management of GIS projects. A variety of GIS software packages will be used in the laboratory.
Prerequisite: Completion of GISC 1311 and DFTG 1409.

**GISC 2335** Programming for GIS
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course focuses on the use of programming languages to customize and expand the capability of GIS applications. Instruction will include object-oriented and component programming. Students will also design their own Graphical User Interface (GUI).
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in GISC 2359, ITSE 2409.

**GISC 2359** Web-Served Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course covers the delivery of geographic data via the Internet. It includes composition of the map features distributed and an introduction on the use of markup languages to customize web-based
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Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in GISC 2320, GISC 2303, ITSE 1411.

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<td>This course uses GIS as a problem solving tool from the first stages of designing an analysis project, through the data collection and manipulation phase, to the final phase of presenting the project.</td>
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<td>This course will provide career-related activities encountered in the student's area of specialization offered through an individualized agreement among the college, employer and student. Under the supervision of the college and the employer, the student combines classroom learning with work experience.</td>
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<td>This course places emphasis on preparation and enhancement of portfolio to meet professional standards, development of presentation skills, and improvement of job-seeking techniques.</td>
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<td>This course is an introduction to the elements and principles of design, the interior design profession, and the interior design problem-solving process.</td>
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<td>This course provides skill development in the inspection of the landscape visually and photographically utilizing various camera formats. Topics include exploration of historic, geographical, and cultural locations, and review of landscape photographers.</td>
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<td>This course is a study of the equipment, processes, and procedures necessary for the photography of building exteriors and interiors, dusk/night and night architectural landscapes, and construction progress.</td>
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<td>This course is an introduction to the mathematics used in surveying and mapping, eg., Algebra, plane trigonometry, and plane and solid analytical geometry.</td>
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<td>This course is a study of the measurement and determination of boundaries, areas, shapes, and location through traversing techniques. Instruction will be provided in a variety of adjustment methods using programmed and non-programmed hand-held calculators and computers. Methods of traversing and adjustment of errors according to prevailing and applicable professional standards will also be covered.</td>
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<td>Mapping</td>
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<td>This course is an introduction to Global Positioning System (GPS) in surveying and mapping activities. Major topics include structuring a GPS system; designing a GPS data collection project; using GPS data collection equipment; collecting and processing GPS data; and correcting data errors.</td>
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<td>This is an intermediate course with career-related activities encountered in the student’s specialization offered through an individualized agreement among the college, employer, and the student. Under supervision of the college and the employer, the student combines classroom learning with work experience. This course includes a lecture component.</td>
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<td>This course is an introductory overview of surveying equipment and measurement techniques used in mapping. Emphasis will be placed on leveling and traversing for preparing a map.</td>
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<td>This is an intermediate to advanced level course designed to teach the student how to produce a survey map using appropriate software and coordinate geometry. Production of survey maps and plats, civil engineering design drawings and topographical maps utilizing coordinate geometry will also be covered.</td>
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<td>Prerequisite: DFTG 2419, SRVY 1413, DFTG 2421 and concurrent enrollment in DFTG 2430.</td>
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<td>This course emphasizes field astronomy calculations, state plane coordinates and the reduction of information received from Global Positioning System receivers.</td>
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<td>This course is a study of the theory and field methods of surveying alignments, to include highway routes, pipelines, utility and waterway construction, transmission lines and site stakeout. It also includes the study of horizontal circular curves, parabolic curves, areas, and earthwork volumes.</td>
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ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING

RNSG 1140 Professional Nursing Skills for Articulating Students
CRT HRS.01 LEC HRS.00 LAB HRS.04
This course covers demonstration of professional nursing skills and procedures; and utilize critical thinking skills in a systematic problem-solving process. Content includes knowledge, judgment, skills, and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to either a blocked or integrated approach. Prerequisite: BIOL 2401 and BIOL 2402; or administrative approval.

RNSG 1144 Nursing Skills II
CRT HRS.01 LEC HRS.00 LAB HRS.03
This course is a study of the concepts and principles necessary to perform intermediate or advanced nursing skills for the adult patient; and demonstrate competence in the performance of nursing procedures. Topics that will be covered include knowledge, judgment, skills and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to a blocked approach. Prerequisite: RNSG 1140, RNSG 1162, RNSG 1330, or administrative approval.

RNSG 1162 Transitional Clinical
CRT HRS.01 LEC HRS.00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS.04
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized nursing theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional. Prerequisite: Admission to ADN Transition Option Track with an unencumbered LVN license.

RNSG 1205 Nursing Skills I
CRT HRS.02 LEC HRS.01 LAB HRS.04
This course is a study of the concepts and principles essential to perform basic nursing skills for the adult patient and to demonstrate competence in the performance of nursing procedures. Topics include knowledge, judgment, skills, and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to a blocked approach. Prerequisite: Admission to the Professional Nursing Program or administrative approval.

RNSG 1209 Introduction to Nursing
CRT HRS.02 LEC HRS.02 LAB HRS.00
This course offers an overview of nursing and the role of the professional nurse as a provider of patient-centered care, patient safety advocate, coordinator of care, member of the health care team, and member of the profession. Topics include knowledge, judgment, skills and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to a blocked approach. Prerequisite: TSI complete and an ACT composite score of 19 and approval of the ADN faculty only.

RNSG 1262 Clinical I
CRT HRS.02 LEC HRS.00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS.08
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional. Prerequisite: Admission to ADN Program and RNSG 1209.

RNSG 1300 Health Assessment Across the Lifespan
CRT HRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course covers development of skills and techniques required for a comprehensive nursing health assessment of patients across the lifespan. Includes assessment of patients' health promotion and maintenance, illness and injury prevention and restoration, and application of the nursing process within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to either a blocked or integrated approach. Prerequisite: TSI Complete, HESI A2 complete with required score; or administrative approval.

RNSG 1341 Common Concepts of Adult Health
CRT HRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course covers the basic integration of the role of the professional nurse as a provider of patient-centered care, patient safety advocate, member of the health care team, and member of the profession. Students will study the general principles of caring for selected adult patients and families in structured settings with common medical-surgical health care needs related to each body system. Emphasis will be on knowledge, judgment, skills, and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to a blocked approach. Prerequisite: RNSG 1300, RNSG 1513, RNSG 1262, RNSG 1205 or administrative approval.

RNSG 1343 Complex Concepts of Adult Health
CRT HRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course covers integration of previous knowledge and skills related to common adult health needs into the continued development of the professional nurse as a provider of patient-centered care, patient safety advocate, member of health care team, and member of the profession in the care of adult patients and families with complex medical-surgical health care needs associated with body systems. Emphasis on complex knowledge, judgments, skills, and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to a blocked approach. Prerequisite: RNSG 1144, RNSG 1341, RNSG 2161, PSYC 2301, RNSG 1417, RNSG 1410, RNSG 1162, RNSG 2213 and RNSG 2162; or administrative approval.

RNSG 1412 Nursing Care for the Childbearing and Childrearing Family
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.04 LAB HRS.00
Concepts and principles of professional nursing related to the provision of nursing care for childbearing and childrearing families. Application of systematic problem-solving processes and critical thinking skills, including a focus on the childbearing family during preconception, prenatal, antepartum, neonatal, and postpartum periods and the childrearing family from birth to adolescence. It includes competency in knowledge, judgment, skill, and professional
values within a legal/ethical framework is examined.
Prerequisite: Admission to the ADN program or administrative approval.
Clinical Co-requisite recommended.

RNSG 1417
Concepts of Professional Nursing Practice for Articulating Students
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:01
This course provides the articulating student paramedic the opportunity to examine the role of the professional nurse; make application of a systematic problem solving process and critical thinking skills which includes a focus on the adult population in selected settings; and competency in knowledge, judgment, nursing skills, and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to either a blocked or integrated approach.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Associate Degre Nursing Paramedic to RN Option Track with a non-encumbered paramedic license; administrative approval.

RNSG 1513
Foundations for Nursing Practice
CRT HRS:05 LEC HRS:05 LAB HRS:00
This course provides an introduction to the role of the professional nurse as a provider of patient-centered care, coordinator of care, patient safety advocate, member of the health care team, and member of the profession. Topics include but are not limited to the fundamental concepts of nursing practice, history of professional nursing, a systematic framework for decision making and critical thinking, mechanisms of disease, the needs and problems that nurses help patients manage, and basic psychomotor skills. Emphasis is placed on knowledge, judgment, skills, and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to a blocked approach.
Prerequisite: Admission to the ADN program and RNSG 1209.

RNSG 2161
Clinical - Medical/Surgical
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admission to the ADN program, RNSG 1300, RNSG 1513, RNSG 1262, RNSG 1205 or administrative approval.

RNSG 2162
Clinical - Mental Health
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admission to the ADN program; BIOL 2401, RNSG 1513, RNSG 1262, RNSG 1205 or administrative approval.

RNSG 2163
Clinical IV
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: RNSG 2260.

RNSG 2213
Mental Health Nursing
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:01
This course will cover the principles and concepts of mental health, psychopathology, and treatment modalities related to the nursing care of clients and their families. This course lends itself to a blocked approach.
Prerequisites: BIOL 2401, RNSG 1513, RNSG 1262, RNSG 1205 or administrative approval.

RNSG 2221
Professional Nursing: Leadership and Management
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course is an exploration of leadership and management principles applicable to the role of the professional nurse as a provider of care, coordinator of care, and member of the profession. It will include application of knowledge, judgment, skills, and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to a blocked approach.
Prerequisite: RNSG 2260 or administrative approval.

RNSG 2260
Clinical-Pediatrics/Maternal/Infant
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:08
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts to the care of childbearing families and children from infant to adolescent. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admission to the ADN program; BIOL 2402, RNSG 2213, RNSG 1341, RNSG 2162, RNSG 2161, RNSG 1144 or administrative approval.

RNSG 2331
Advanced Concepts of Adult Health
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course includes the application of advanced concepts and skills for the development of the professional nurse’s role in complex nursing situations with adult patients and families with complex health needs that involve multiple body systems alterations in intermediate and critical care settings. Emphasis will be placed on advanced knowledge, judgment, skills and professional values within a legal/ethical framework. This course lends itself to a blocked approach.
Prerequisite: RNSG 2260 or administrative approval.

RNSG 2361
Clinical - Complex Medical Surgical
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:09
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: RNSG 1144, RNSG 1341, RNSG 2161, PSYC 2301, RNSG 1417, RNSG 1140, RNSG 1162, RNSG 2213 and RNSG 2162; or administrative approval.

RNSG 2363
Clinical V
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: RNSG 1412, RNSG 2361, RNSG 1343 and RNSG 2260.

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

AUMT 1201
Introduction and Theory of Automotive Technology
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:01
This course is an introduction to the automobile industry including automotive history, safety practices, shop equipment and tools, vehicle subsystems, service
courses, fasteners, professional responsibilities, and automobile maintenance.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**AUMT 1266**

**Practicum I**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20

This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.

**Prerequisite:** Permission from the department.

**AUMT 1267**

**Practicum II**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20

This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.

**Prerequisite:** Permission from the department.

**AUMT 1316**

**Automotive Suspension and Steering Systems-GM ASEP**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04

This course covers the theory and operation as well as the diagnosis and repair of automotive suspension and steering systems including electronically controlled systems, tire and wheel problem diagnosis, component repair, and alignment procedures. This course also includes operational theory, practical skills, and accepted shop procedures reinforced by intensive practice during cooperative work experience periods in the GM sponsoring dealerships.

**Prerequisite:** Concurrent enrollment in AUMT 1407.

**AUMT 1345**

**Automotive Climate Control Systems**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04

This course covers the theory of automotive air conditioning and heating systems, including diagnosis and repair of manual/electronic climate control systems. Emphasis is placed on the basic refrigeration cycle and diagnosis and repair of system malfunctions. EPA guidelines for refrigerant handling and new refrigerant replacements are also covered.

**Prerequisite:** DEMR 1401 or AUMT 1407.

**AUMT 1391**

**Capstone: Ford YAATC Certification**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04

This course covers topics that address recently identified current events, skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes and behaviors pertinent to the technology or occupation and relevant to the professional development of the student. This course was designed to be repeated multiple times to improve student proficiency.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**AUMT 1407**

**Automotive Electrical Systems**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06

This course is an overview of automotive electrical systems including topics in operational theory, testing, diagnosis, and repair of batteries, charging and starting systems, and electrical accessories. Also to include electrical principles, semiconductor and integrated circuits, digital fundamentals, microcomputer systems, and electrical test equipment as applied to automotive technology. Emphasis is placed on electrical schematic diagrams and service manuals.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**AUMT 1410**

**Automotive Brake Systems**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:08

This course covers the operation and repair of drum/disc type brake systems. Emphasis is placed on safe use of modern equipment. Topics include brake theory, diagnosis, and repair of power, manual, anti-lock brake systems, and parking brakes.

**Prerequisite:** Concurrent enrollment in AUMT 1407.

**AUMT 1416**

**Automotive Suspension and Steering Systems**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:08

This course covers the theory and operation as well as the diagnosis and repair of automotive suspension and steering systems including electronically controlled systems, tire and wheel problem diagnosis, component repair, and alignment procedures.

**Prerequisite:** Concurrent enrollment in AUMT 1407.

**AUMT 1419**

**Automotive Engine Repair**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:06

This course explores the fundamentals of engine operation, diagnosis and repair including lubrication systems and cooling systems. Emphasis is placed on overhaul of selected engines, identification and inspection, measurements, and disassembly, repair, and re-assembly of the engine.

**Prerequisite:** AUMT 1407.

**AUMT 2266**

**Practicum III**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20

This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.

**Prerequisite:** Permission from the department.

**AUMT 2267**

**Capstone: Practicum IV**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20

This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.

**Prerequisite:** Permission from the department.

**AUMT 2313**

**Automotive Drive Train and Axles**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04

This course is a study of automotive clutches, clutch operation devices, standard transmission, transaxles, and differentials with emphasis on the diagnosis and repair of transmissions and drive lines.

**Prerequisite:** AUMT 1419.

**AUMT 2417**

**Automotive Engine Performance Analysis I**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06

This course includes theory, operation, diagnosis of drivability concerns, and repair of basic engine dynamics, ignition systems, and fuel delivery systems. Use of basic engine performance diagnostic equipment is emphasized.

**Prerequisite:** AUMT 1407; concurrent enrollment in AUMT 1419.

**AUMT 2421**

**Automotive Electrical Diagnosis and Repair**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06

This course covers the repair of automotive electrical subsystems, lighting, instrumentation, and accessories. Emphasis is placed on accurate diagnosis and proper repair methods using various troubleshooting skills and techniques.

**Prerequisite:** AUMT 1407.

**AUMT 2425**

**Automotive Automatic Transmission and Transaxle**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06

This course is a study of the operation, hydraulic circuits and electronic controls, and related circuits of modern automatic transmissions and automatic...
transaxles. Diagnosis, disassembly, and assembly procedures with emphasis on the use of special tools and proper repair techniques are covered.

Prerequisite: AUMT 1407.

AUMT 2434 Automotive Engine Performance Analysis II

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.02 LAB HRS.08
This course covers the diagnosis and repair of emission systems, computerized engine performance systems, and advanced ignition and fuel systems; and proper use of advanced engine performance diagnostic equipment.

Prerequisite: AUMT 2417.

CSIR 1355 Industry Certifications

CRT HRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course prepares the student for the certifications required by industry.

Prerequisite: None.

BIOLOGY

◆ BIOL 1322 Nutrition and Diet Therapy I

CRT HRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This is a study of the chemical, physical and sensory properties of food, nutritional quality, and food use and diet applications.

Prerequisite: None.

◆ BIOL 1406 Biology for Science Majors I

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is an in-depth study of the fundamental principles of living organisms including physical and chemical properties of life, cellular organization and function. Concepts of metabolic pathways, cellular respiration, photosynthesis, mitosis, meiosis, and molecular biology of the gene, genetics, biotechnology, evolutionary adaptation and the scientific method are included.

Prerequisite: TSI Complete in Reading.

◆ BIOL 1407 Biology for Science Majors II

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is a continuation of Biology 1406. It is an in-depth study of the fundamental principles of living organisms including classification and evolution. Topics include biodiversity of viruses, bacteria, archaea, protists, fungi, plants, and animals, comparison of their organization, function and reproduction with humans, and ecology of behavior, populations, communities, and the biosphere, including effects of human activities.

Prerequisite: TSI Complete in Reading.

◆ BIOL 1408 Biology for Non-Science Majors I

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is an overview of the fundamental principles of living organisms including physical and chemical properties of life, cellular organization and function. Concepts of metabolic pathways, cellular respiration, photosynthesis, mitosis, meiosis, and molecular biology of the gene, genetics, biotechnology, evolutionary adaptation and the scientific method are included.

Prerequisite: AUMT 2403 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ BIOL 1409 Biology for Non-Science Majors II

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is a continuation of Biology 1408. It is an overview of the fundamental principles of living organisms including classification and evolution. Topics include biodiversity of viruses, bacteria, archaea, protists, fungi, plants, and animals, comparison of their organization, function and reproduction with humans, and ecology of behavior, populations, communities, and the biosphere, including effects of human activities.

Prerequisite: TSI Complete in Reading.

◆ BIOL 2389 Academic Cooperative in the Biological Life Sciences

CRT HRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This is an instructional program designed to integrate on-campus study with practical hands-on work experience in the biological sciences/life sciences. In conjunction with class seminars, the individual student will set specific goals and objectives in the study of living organisms and their systems.

Prerequisite: Permission from the department.

◆ BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is a study of the structure and function of the human body including cells, tissues, and organs of the following systems: integumentary, skeletal, muscular and nervous systems.

Prerequisite: TSI Complete in Reading.

◆ BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is a continuation of the study of the structure and function of the human body including the circulatory, respiratory, digestive, urinary, reproductive, and endocrine systems. Consideration is given to metabolism, electrolyte and fluid balance, and human development.

Prerequisite: BIOL 2403 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ BIOL 2406 Environmental Biology

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.02
This is a study of human interaction and the effect upon plant and animal communities. Conservation, pollution, energy and other contemporary ecological problems will be discussed.

Prerequisite: None.

◆ BIOL 2416 Genetics

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is a study of the principles of molecular and classical genetics and the function and transmission of hereditary material. It includes population genetics and genetic engineering.

Prerequisite: BIOL 1406 and CHEM 1411 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ BIOL 2420 Microbiology for Non-Science Majors

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course is an introduction to the morphology, physiology and taxonomy of pathogenic and nonpathogenic microorganisms. The course includes study of disease transmission, resistance to infection and microbial control and a brief preview of food microbes, public health, and immunology. The laboratory will develop sound techniques in culturing, staining, and identifying microorganisms.

Prerequisite: BIOL 2402 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ BIOL 2421 Microbiology for Science Majors

CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is a study of principles of microbiology, including metabolism, structure, function, genetics, and phylogeny of microbes. The course will also examine the interactions of microbes with each other, hosts and the environment. Laboratory activities will reinforce principles of microbiology as well as the microbial interactions including all of the principles and microbial interactions covered in the lecture sessions.

Prerequisite: BIOL 1406, BIOL 1407 and CHEM 1411 with a grade of "C" or better.
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

**BMGT 1301 Supervision**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the role of the supervisor. Managerial functions as applied to leadership, counseling, motivation, and human skills are examined.
Prerequisite: None.

**BMGT 1305 Communications in Management**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course includes basic theory and process of communication skills necessary for the management of an organization’s workforce.
Prerequisite: ITSC 1409 or COSC 1301.

**BMGT 1309 Information and Project Management**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course explores critical path methods for planning and controlling projects. It includes time, cost tradeoffs, resource utilization, stochastic considerations, task determination, time management, scheduling management, status reports, budget management, customer service, professional attitude, and project supervision.
Prerequisite: None.

**BMGT 1391 Business Conduct**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the business code of conduct as it relates to management practices, employee relations, and organizational structure. Topics include employee performance, interpersonal relations, teamwork dynamics, resolving organizational problems, and dealing with ethical issues related to business.
Prerequisite: None.

**BMGT 2168 Capstone: Accounting Practicum**
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  OFF-CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: Approval of Practicum Coordinator.

**BMGT 2268 Capstone: Business Administration Practicum**
CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:00  OFF-CAMPUS LAB HRS:14
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: Approval of Practicum Coordinator.

**BMGT 2303 Problem Solving and Decision Making**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course emphasizes decision making and problem solving process in organizations, utilizing logical and creative problem solving techniques. Application of theory is provided by experimental activities such as small group discussions, case studies and the use of other managerial decision aids.
Prerequisite: None.

**BNKG 1340 Money and Financial Markets**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course is an overview of money and banking institutions and their role and functions in the economy. It includes study of Federal Reserve System, characteristics of financial intermediaries, and regulatory institutions. Topics include principles of monetary and fiscal policy, commercial banking structures, and financial markets.
Prerequisite: None.

**BUSG 1303 Principles of Finance**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course covers the financial dynamics of a business. It includes monetary and credit theory, cash inventory, capital management, and consumer and government finance. Emphasis is placed on the time value of money.
Prerequisite: None.

**BUSG 2309 Small Business Management/Entrepreneurship**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This is a course on how to start, operate, and grow a small business. Topics include facts about a small business, essential management skills, how to prepare a business plan, accounting, financial needs, staffing, marketing strategies, and legal issues.
Prerequisite: None.

**IBUS 1301 Principles of Exports**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of export management process and procedures. Topics include governmental controls and compliance, licensing of products, documentation, commercial invoices and transportation. Emphasizes human and public relations, management of personnel, finance, and accounting procedures are stressed.
Prerequisite: None.

**IBUS 1305 Introduction to International Business/Trade**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course covers the techniques for entering the international marketplace. Emphasis is on the impact and dynamics of socio-cultural, demographic, economic, technological, and political-legal factors in the foreign trade environment. Topics include patterns of world trade, internationalization of the firm, and operating procedures of the multinational enterprise.
Prerequisite: None.

**IBUS 2345 Import Customs Regulation I**
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This is a study of the duties and responsibilities of the licensed customs broker. Topics include...
process for customs clearance including appraisement, bonded warehouse entry, examination of goods, harmonized tariffs, fees, bonding, penalties, quotas, immediate delivery, consumption, liquidation, computerized systems, laws, and regulations.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**IBUS 2371 Import Customs Regulations II**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**02  **LAB HRS:**02

This course is a continuation of Import Customs Regulations I. Topics include the history and use of the U.S. Harmonized Tariffs schedule, fees, importation, general provisions, rules of origin, air regulations, export control, administrative foreign trade zones, export controls, and issues related to the import laws and regulations.

**Prerequisite:** IBUS 2345.

**LMGT 1319 Introduction to Business Logistics**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**00

This course provides a systems approach to managing activities associated with traffic, transportation, inventory management and control, warehousing, packaging, order processing, and materials handling.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**LMGT 1321 Principles of Material Management**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**00

This course introduces the principles of material management to include inventory control and forecasting activities.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**LMGT 1325 Warehouse and Distribution Center Management**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**00

This course emphasizes physical distribution and total supply chain management. It includes warehouse operations management, hardware and software operations, bar codes, organizational effectiveness, just-in-time manufacturing, continuous replenishment, and third party.

**Prerequisite:** LMGT 1319.

**MRKG 1301 Customer Relationship Management**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**00

Topics in this course address general principles of customer relationship management including skills, knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**MRKG 1311 Principles of Marketing**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**00

This course is an introduction to the marketing mix functions and process; identification of consumer and organizational needs; explanation of economic, psychological, sociological, environmental, and global issues. A description and analysis of the importance of marketing research is also provided.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**MRKG 1313 Public Relations**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**00

This course is an exploration of theories, techniques, and processes of public relations including means of influencing methods of building good will, analysis of media, obtaining publicity, and implementation of public relations programs.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**MRKG 2333 Principles of Selling**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**00

This course is an overview of the selling process. Identification of the elements of the communication process between buyers and sellers and examination of the legal and ethical issues of organizations which affect salespeople are included.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**MRKG 2349 Advertising and Sales Promotion**

**CRT HRS:**03  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**00

This course covers integrated marketing communications. It includes advertising principles and practices. Emphasis is on multimedia of persuasive communication including buyer behavior, budgeting, and regulatory constraints.

**Prerequisite:** None.

**CHEMISTRY**

**CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I**

**CRT HRS:**04  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**03

This course will cover fundamental principles of chemistry for majors in the sciences, health sciences and engineering; topics include measurements, fundamental properties of matter, states of matter, chemical reactions, chemical stoichiometry, periodicity of elemental properties, atomic structure, chemical bonding, molecular structure, solutions, property gasses, and an introduction to thermodynamics and descriptive chemistry. Basic laboratory experiments supporting theoretical principles presented in CHEM 1411 will be performed. Introduction of the scientific method, experimental design, data collection and analysis, and preparation of laboratory reports will be emphasized.

**Prerequisite:** TSI complete in Reading and completion of MATH 1414 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

**CHEM 1412 General Chemistry II**

**CRT HRS:**04  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**03

This course will cover chemical equilibrium; phase diagrams and spectrometry; acid-base concepts; thermodynamics; kinetics; electrochemistry; nuclear chemistry; an introduction to organic chemistry and descriptive inorganic chemistry. Basic laboratory experiments supporting theoretical principles presented in CHEM 1412 will be performed. Introduction of the scientific method, experimental design, chemical instrumentation, data collection and analysis, and preparation of laboratory reports will be emphasized.

**Prerequisite:** CHEM 1411 with a grade of “C” or better.

**CHEM 2423 Organic Chemistry I**

**CRT HRS:**04  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**03

This is a study of fundamental principles of organic chemistry will be studied, including the structure, bonding, properties, and reactivity of organic molecules; and properties and behavior of organic compounds and their derivatives. Emphasis is placed on organic synthesis and mechanisms. Includes study of covalent and ionic bonding, nomenclature, stereochemistry, structure and reactivity, reaction mechanisms, functional groups, and synthesis of simple molecules. Laboratory activities will reinforce fundamental principles presented in CHEM 2423. Lecture. Methods for the purification and identification of organic compounds will be examined. THIS COURSE IS INTENDED FOR STUDENTS IN SCIENCE OR PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS.

**Prerequisite:** CHEM 1412 with a grade of “C” or better.

**CHEM 2425 Organic Chemistry II**

**CRT HRS:**04  **LEC HRS:**03  **LAB HRS:**03

Advanced principles of organic chemistry will be studied, including the structure, properties, and reactivity of aliphatic and aromatic organic molecules; and properties and behavior of organic compounds and their derivatives. Emphasis is placed on organic synthesis and mechanisms. Includes study
of covalent and ionic bonding, nomenclature, stereochemistry, structure and reactivity, reaction mechanisms, functional groups, and synthesis of simple molecules. Laboratory activities reinforce advanced principles of organic chemistry presented in CHEM 2422 lecture. This COURSE IS INTENDED FOR STUDENTS IN SCIENCE OR PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS. Prerequisite: CHEM 2423 with a grade of "C" or better.

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT**

**CDEC 1167**
Field Study Infant/Toddler
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:00
This course provides practical, general workplace training in the Child Care field supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 1313**
Curriculum Resources for Early Childhood Programs
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of the fundamentals developmentally appropriate curriculum design and implementation in early care and education programs for young children. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 1319**
Child Guidance
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is an exploration of guidance strategies for promoting pro-social behaviors with individual and groups of children. Emphasis is placed on positive guidance principles and techniques, family involvement and cultural influences. It will include practical application through direct participation with children. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 1321**
The Infant and Toddler
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of appropriate infant and toddler (birth to 3 years) programs, including an overview of development, quality care giving routines, learning environments, materials and activities, and teaching/guiding techniques. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 1323**
Observation and Assessment
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of observation skills, assessment techniques, and documentation of children’s development. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 1341**
CDA Preparation for Assessment
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the preparation for the Child Development Associate (CDA) credential assessment includes writing CDA competency statements, completing a CDA professional resource file, and preparing for formal CDA observation and assessment. Prerequisite: TECA 1354, TECA 1318, TECA 1303 and TECA 1311.

**CDEC 1356**
Emergent Literacy for Early Childhood
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an exploration of principles, methods, and materials for teaching young children language and literacy through a play-based, integrated curriculum. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 1358**
Creative Arts for Early Childhood
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an exploration of principles, methods, and materials for teaching young children music, movement, visual arts, and dramatic play through process-oriented experiences to support divergent thinking. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 1359**
Children with Special Needs
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of information regarding children with special needs including possible causes and characteristics of exceptionalities, intervention strategies, available resources, referral processes, the advocacy role, and legislative issues. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 1417**
Child Development Associate Training I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00
This course is based on the requirements for the Child Development Associate credential (CDA). Topics include a CDA overview, general observation skills, and a child growth and development overview. The four functional areas of study covered in this course include creative, cognitive, physical, and communication. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 2166**
Field Study Preschool
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:07
This course provides practical, general workplace training in the Childcare field supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 2167**
Capstone: Administration
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:07
This course provides practical, general workplace training in the Childcare field supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. Prerequisite: CDEC 2166.

**CDEC 2307**
Math and Science for Early Childhood
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an exploration of principles, methods, and materials for teaching children math and science concepts and process skills through discovery and play. Prerequisite: None.

**CDEC 2326**
Administration of Programs for Children I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a practical application of management procedures for early child care and education programs, including a study of planning, operating, supervising, and evaluating programs. Course topics include philosophy, types of programs, policies, fiscal management, regulations, staffing, evaluation, and communication. Prerequisite: Six credits in Child Development courses or Program Chair approval.

**CDEC 2328**
Administration of Programs for Children II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an in-depth study of the skills and techniques in managing early care and education programs, including legal and ethical issues, personnel management, team building, leadership, conflict resolution, stress management, advocacy, professionalism, fiscal analysis, and planning parent education/partnerships. Prerequisite: CDEC 2326.
Children III
Administration of Programs for Children III

This course is an advanced study of the skills and techniques in administering early care and education programs including staff development, curriculum planning and delivery, and adult learning theory.

Prerequisite: CDEC 2326.

CDEC 2422
Child Development Associate Training II

This course is a continuation of the study of the requirements for the Child Development Associate credential (CDA). The six functional areas of study covered in this course include safety, health, learning environment, self, social, and guidance.

Prerequisite: Completion of CDEC 1417 with a grade of “C” or better.

◆TECA 1303
Family, School, and Community

This course is a study of the child, family, community, and schools, including parent education and involvement, family and community lifestyles, child abuse, and current family life issues. Course content must be aligned as applicable with State Board for Educator Certification regulations. Course content must be aligned with the National Association for the Education of Young Children position statement related to developmentally appropriate practices for children from birth through age eight. Requires students to participate in field experiences with children from infancy through age 12 in a variety of settings with varied and diverse populations; and the course includes a minimum of 16 hours of field experiences.

Prerequisite: None.

◆TECA 1318
Wellness of the Young Child

This is a study of the factors that impact the well-being of the young child including healthy behavior, food, nutrition, fitness, and safety practices. Focuses on local and national standards and legal implications of relevant policies and regulations. Course content must be aligned as applicable with State Board for Educator Certification Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities standards and coincide with the National Association for the Education of Young Children position statement related to developmentally appropriate practices for children from birth to age eight. Requires students to participate in field experiences with children from infancy through age 12 in a variety of settings with varied and diverse populations. Course includes a minimum of 16 hours of field experiences.

Prerequisite: None.

◆TECA 1354
Child Growth and Development

This is a study of the physical, emotional, social, language, and cognitive factors impacting growth and development of children through adolescence.

Prerequisite: None.

CSFH 0101
College Success for Healthcare

This course aids the healthcare student to perform successfully in healthcare by understanding his or her personal learning style, understanding and using college policies and procedures including clinical requirements, criminal background authorizations, vaccinations, drug and alcohol testing, managing time, memorizing information, reading textbooks for maximum learning, taking effective notes from lectures and books, maximizing test scores, thinking critically, communicating well both orally and in writing, by learning and applying library and technological healthcare research techniques, and by learning about each of the healthcare professions taught at South Texas College. Some healthcare programs award points toward selection for completion of CSFH with a grade of “A” or “B.” This course fulfills a requirement for all first-time developmental students who are not TSI complete, and for all students (including transfer students) with grade point averages below 2.0. It is not required for students enrolled in a certificate program (42 or fewer semester credit hours or equivalent) or for students who are TSI exempt.

Prerequisite: None.

EDCS 0101
Educational College Success

This course covers strategies for learning and success. Examine factors that underlie learning, success, and personal development in higher education. Topics covered include information processing, memory, strategic learning, self-regulation, goal setting, motivation, educational and career planning, and learning lifestyles. Techniques of study such as time management, listening and note taking, text marking, library and research skills, preparing for examinations, and utilizing learning resources are covered. This course develops students’ academic skills that apply to all disciplines. This course is a requirement for all first-time developmental students who are not TSI complete. This course is required of all students (including transfer students) with grade point averages below 2.0. It is not required for students enrolled in a certificate program (42 or fewer semester credit hours or equivalent) or for students who are TSI exempt.

Prerequisite: None.

COMM 1307
Introduction to Mass Communication

This course is a survey of basic content and structural elements of mass media and their functions and influences on society.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.
COMM 2305 Editing and Layout
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This is a course in the editing and layout processes, with emphasis on accuracy and fairness, including the principles and techniques of design.
Prerequisite: Completion of COMM 1307, COMM 2327, COMM 2330, and ENG 1301.

COMM 2311 Media Writing
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course focuses on the fundamentals of writing news for the mass media. This course includes instruction in professional methods and techniques for gathering, processing and delivering content.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent.

COMM 2315 News Reporting
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course focuses on advanced news-gathering and writing skills. It concentrates on the three-part process of producing news stories: discovering the news, reporting the news, and writing the news in different formats.
Prerequisite: COMM 2311.

COMM 2327 Introduction to Advertising
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers the fundamentals of advertising, including marketing theory and strategy, copy writing, design, and selection of media.
Prerequisite: Completion of ENGL 1301.

COMM 2330 Introduction to Public Relations
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course explores the history and development of public relations. Presentation of the theory behind and process of public relations, including the planning, implementation, and evaluation of PR campaigns.
Prerequisite: Completion of ENGL 1301.

COMM 2339 Writing for Radio, Television, and Film
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to basic script formats, terminology, and writing techniques, including the writing of commercials, public service announcements, promotions, news, documentary, and fictional materials.
Prerequisite: ENGL 1302 and completion of or concurrent enrollment in COMM 2305.

COMM 2389 Academic Cooperative
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an instructional program designed to integrate on-campus study with practical hands-on work experience. In conjunction with class seminars, the individual student will set specific goals and objectives in the study of communication.
Prerequisite: Completion of COMM 1307, COMM 2327, COMM 2330, COMM 2305, and COMM 2339.

COMPUTER AND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES

CETT 1409 DC/AC Circuits
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers the fundamentals of DC circuits and AC circuits operation including: Ohm’s law, Kirchhoff’s laws, networks, transformers, resonance, phasors, capacitive and inductive and circuit analysis techniques.
Prerequisite: None.

CETT 1421 Electronic Fabrication
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of electronic circuit fabrication techniques including printed circuit boards, wire wrapping, bread boarding, and various soldering techniques.
Prerequisite: None.

CETT 1425 Digital Fundamentals
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This is an entry level course in digital electronics covering number systems, binary mathematics, digital codes, logic gates, Boolean algebra, Karnaugh maps, and combinational logic. Emphasis is placed on circuit logic analysis and troubleshooting digital circuits.
Prerequisite: None.

CETT 2189 Capstone: Internship
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This is a work-based experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills and concepts. A learning plan is developed by the college and the employer.
Prerequisite: CETT 1425 and RBTC 1405.

CETT 2437 Microcomputer Control
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This is a study of microprocessors and microcomputers with an emphasis on embedded controllers for industrial and commercial applications. Topics include RAM, ROM and input/output (I/O) interfacing. An introduction to programming is included.
Prerequisite: CETT 1409.

CPMT 1166 Capstone: Computer Systems Technology Practicum
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1411 or concurrent enrollment in CPMT 1445.

CPMT 1167 Capstone: Practicum-Computer Installation
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1403.

CPMT 1403 Introduction to Computer Technology
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This is a fundamental computer course that provides in-depth explanation of the procedures to utilize hardware and software. Emphasis is placed on terminology, acronyms, and hands-on activities.
Prerequisite: None.

CPMT 1404 Microcomputer System Software
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course provides skill development in the installation, configuration, maintenance and troubleshooting of system software in microcomputers. Topics may include operating systems, utility software and other software affecting the basic operation of a microcomputer system.
Prerequisite: None.

CPMT 1411 Introduction to Computer Maintenance
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to the installation, configuration, and maintenance of a microcomputer system.
Prerequisite: None.
CPMT 1443
Microcomputer Architecture
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
Computer characteristics and subsystem operations, timing, control, circuitry, and internal input/output controls.
Prerequisite: None.

CPMT 1445
Computer Systems Maintenance
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is an examination of the functions of the components within a computer system. Development of skills in the use of test equipment, troubleshooting and maintenance aids is emphasized.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1403 or CPMT 1411.

CPMT 1447
Computer System Peripherals
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers theory and practices involved in computer peripherals, operation and maintenance techniques, and specialized test equipment.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1411 or CPMT 1445.

CPMT 1449
Computer Networking Technology
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers networking fundamentals, terminology, hardware, software, and network architecture. It includes local and wide area networking concepts and networking installations and operations.
Prerequisite: None.

CPMT 2166
Capstone: Computer Systems Technology Practicum
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: CPMT 2433.

CPMT 2288
Capstone: Internship-Computer Installation
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:12
This course is a work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills and concepts. A learning plan is developed by the college and the employer.
Prerequisite: CPMT 2433.

CPMT 2350
Industry Certification Preparation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course provides an overview of the objectives for the industry specific certification exam.
Prerequisite: CPMT 2433.

CPMT 2402
Home Technology Integration
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of integration and maintenance of various home technology subsystems. Topics include home automation, security and surveillance, home networks, video and audio networks, and structured wiring.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1445 and CPMT 1449.

CPMT 2433
Computer Integration
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This is an advanced course in integration of hardware, software, and applications. Customization of computer systems for specific applications such as engineering, multimedia, or data acquisition is covered.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1445 and CPMT 1449.

CPMT 2445
Computer System Troubleshooting
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course includes principles and practices involved in computer system troubleshooting techniques and repair procedures including advanced diagnostic test programs and the use of specialized test equipment.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1445.

CPMT 2449
Advanced Computer Networking Technology
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is an in-depth study of networking technology with emphasis on network operating systems, network connectivity, hardware, and software. It includes implementation, troubleshooting, and maintenance of LAN and/or WAN network environments.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1449.

EECT 1407
Convergence Technologies
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of telecommunications convergence technologies including telephone, LAN, WAN, wireless, voice, video, and internet protocol.
Prerequisite: None.

EECT 1440
Telecommunications Transmission Media
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers the fundamentals of telecommunications media, including installation, maintenance, and troubleshooting. Topics address media characteristics and connectorization.
Prerequisite: None.

EECT 2188
Capstone: Communication Engineering Technology
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:04
This course is a work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills and concepts. A learning plan is developed by the college and the employer.
Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EECT 1407.

EECT 2433
Telephone Systems
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of installation and maintenance systems including telephone set, public switched networks, local exchanges, networks, two and four wire systems, tip and ring requirements, and digital transmission techniques.
Prerequisite: EECT 1407.

EECT 2437
Wireless Telephony Systems
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers the principles of wireless/cellular telephony systems to include call processing, hand-off, site analysis, antenna radiation patterns, commonly used test/ maintenance equipment and access protocol.
Prerequisite: EECT 2433.

ITNW 1413
Computer Virtualization
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is designed to implement and support virtualization of clients of servers in a networked computing environment. This course explores installation, configuration,
and management of computer virtualization workstation and servers.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1403, CPMT 1449.

ITNW 1451 Fundamentals of Wireless LANs
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is designed to implement and support virtualization of clients of servers in a networked computing environment. This course explores installation, configuration, and management of computer virtualization workstation and servers.
Prerequisite: CPMT 1403, CPMT 1449.

RBTC 1401 Programmable Logic Controllers
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study in programmable logic controllers (PLC). Topics include processor units, numbering systems, memory organization, relay type devices, timers counters, data manipulators, and programming.
Prerequisite: None.

RBTC 1405 Robotic Fundamentals
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to flexible automation. Topics will include installation, repair, maintenance, and development of flexible robotic manufacturing systems.
Prerequisite: None.

RBTC 1447 Electromechanical Devices
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of electromechanical devices found in robotic systems. It includes transformers, switches, and solid state relays.
Prerequisite: RBTC 1405.

CITP 3305 System Analysis and Design
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course provides a systematic approach to developing computer-based information systems utilizing the system development life cycle (SDLC) with the emphasis on analysis and design. Students will participate in a real-world project that will enable them to implement certain facets of system development. Topics include feasibility study/project planning, requirements definition and analysis, and user interface design.
Prerequisite: None.

CITP 3306 Internet/Intranet Server Integration
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is an in-depth study in the designing, installing, and administration of Windows and Linux-based servers. Use of scripting languages to administer servers will be used.
Prerequisite: ITNW 1425 or CPMT 1449 with a grade of "C" or better.

CITP 3310 Survey of Programming Languages
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course introduces two languages. One language will be a common programming language and the other will be a common scripting language. The concepts covered in the programming language will include simple input and output, conditionals, and use of standard structures in the language. The concepts covered in the scripting language will include formatting, enhancements and error detection.
Prerequisite: ITSE 1431 or COSC 1430 and CITP 3305 with a grade of "C" or better.

CITP 3312 Fundamentals of Information Security
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course synthesizes technical material covered in prior courses to monitor, audit, analyze, and revise computer and network security systems to ensure appropriate levels of protection are in place.
Prerequisite: ITNW 2421.

CITP 3320 Database Management
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
In this course, the logical concept and physical organization of relational database management systems are studied. The SQL language will be used extensively in exploring and querying databases. Students will receive extensive hands-on skills for designing, analyzing and implementing a relational database using Oracle.
Prerequisite: CITP 3310 with a grade of "C" or better.

CITP 3360 Digital Image Processing and Presentation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course provides a basic competency in preparation and creation of photo quality images. Topics may include cropping, color adjustments, restoration of damage, adding and removing elements and animated images.
Prerequisite: None.

CITP 4301 Capstone: Computer and Information Technology Internship
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course presents a work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills and concepts. A learning plan is developed by the college and the employer.
Prerequisite: Senior standing and program chair approval.

CITP 4316 Advanced Web Design
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course will introduce the paradigm of web development by utilizing server-side technology. Data-driven web applications will be created by applying programming, security, and database management techniques. Topics include, but are not limited to, dynamic web page generation, basic web server configuration and database connectivity.
Prerequisite: CITP 3310 and ITSE 1411 or COSC 1315 with a grade of "C" or better.

CITP 4330 Advanced Network Security
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course prepares students to synthesize technical material covered in prior courses to perform a comprehensive security audit on a network infrastructure. Includes configuring secure hardware and software firewalls. Emphasis will be placed on overall network security processes and competencies covered on security certification exams.
Prerequisite: CITP 3312 with a grade of "C" or better.

CITP 4340 Special Topics Course-CIT
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
In this course, students will utilize knowledge from previous course
work to create a programming project. The programming project has to adhere to the given topic of study. The topic of study chosen by the instructor may change from semester to semester. 
Prerequisite: CITP 4350 with a grade of "C" or better.

CITP 4345 Data Communications - Convergent Technologies
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course focuses on a study of telecommunications convergent technologies including telephone, LAN, WAN, wireless, voice, video, and internet protocol.
Prerequisite: CITP 3302 with a grade of "C" or better.

CITP 4350 Advanced Computer Programming
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course will introduce students to more advanced concepts in computer programming languages. Topics may include Graphical User Interface, Database Connectivity, Threads, and Network Programming.
Prerequisite: CITP 3310 with a grade of "C" or better.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

◆BCIS 1305 Business Computer Applications
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
In this course, students will study computer terminology, hardware, and software related to the business environment. The focus of this course is on business productivity software applications and professional behavior in computing, including word processing (as needed), spreadsheets, databases, presentation graphics, and business-oriented utilization of the Internet.
Prerequisite: None.

◆COSC 1301 Introduction to Computing
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction and overview of computer information systems. Topics include computer hardware, software, procedures, systems, and human resources and the exploration of their integration and application in business and other segments in society. The fundamentals of computer problem solving and programming in a higher level programming language may be discussed and applied. Emphasis is placed on the familiarity and use of the Windows operating systems and personal software packages that include a word processor to process textual information, an electronic spreadsheet for manipulation of numerical data, and a database management system to create and manipulate a database. The Internet is introduced and used for educational purposes such as information search and retrieval by search engines and web browsers, e-mail utilization, and sharing of educational information. After course completion, students will be able to select correct hardware/software for application to a given problem. Lab exercises are designed to allow students to use reasoning abilities to solve problems and make decisions.
Prerequisite: None.

◆COSC 1315 Fundamentals of Programming
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to computer programming. Emphasis is on the fundamentals of structured design, development, testing, implementation, and documentation. It includes coverage of language syntax, data and file structures, input/output devices, and disks/files. Primary emphasis is on Java Script and XHTML Web design programming.
Prerequisite: COSC 1301 with a grade of "C" or better or BCIS 1305 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆COSC 1337 Programming Fundamentals II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course focuses on the object-oriented programming paradigm, emphasizing the definition and use of classes along with fundamentals of object-oriented design. The course includes basic analysis of algorithms, searching and sorting techniques, and an introduction to software engineering processes. Students will apply techniques for testing and debugging software.
Prerequisite: COSC 1436 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆COSC 1430 Computer Programming
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:02
This course is an introduction to computer programming using Visual Basic. Emphasis is placed on structured design, graphical user interfacing, and documentation. It includes coverage of language syntax, processing, elementary file processing and the access, manipulation and use of databases by Visual Basic .Net designed applications.
Prerequisite: COSC 1301 with a grade of "C" or better or BCIS 1305 with a grade of "C" or better. Recommended: COSC 1315 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:02
This course introduces the fundamental concepts of structured programming. Topics include software development methodology, data types, control structures, functions, arrays, and the mechanics of running, testing, and debugging. This course assumes computer literacy.
Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in MATH 0090 or completion of equivalent. Recommended: MATH 1414 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆COSC 2330 Advanced Structured Languages
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
In this course, students will become familiar with further applications of programming techniques. Topics may include file access methods, data structure and modular programming, program testing and documentation, and other topics not normally covered in an introductory computer programming course such as concepts of object-orientation using Java language, exploring the UNIX file system and file security, UNIX editors, UNIX file processing, advanced file processing, introduction to shell script programming, advanced shell programming, exploring UNIX utilities, Perl and CGI programming.
Prerequisite: COSC 2436 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆COSC 2425 Computer Organization
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:02
The organization of computer systems is introduced using assembly language. Topics include basic concepts of computer architecture and organization, memory hierarchy, data types, computer arithmetic, control structures, interrupt handling, instruction sets, performance metrics, and the mechanics of testing and debugging computer systems. Embedded systems and device interfacing are introduced.
Prerequisite: COSC 1436 with a grade of "C" or better.
CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION

CNBT 1166 Capstone: Practicum I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:07
This course is a practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, College and student. The student will be required to, as outlined in the learning plan, apply the theory, concept and skills involving specialized materials, tools, equipment, procedures, regulations, laws, and interactions within and among political, economic, environmental, social, and legal and ethical behavior, safety practices, interpersonal and teamwork skills, and appropriate written and verbal communication skills, using the terminology of the occupation and the business/industry. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in or completion of CNBT 1346.

CNBT 1300 Residential and Light Blueprint Reading & Sketching
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is an introduction to blueprint reading for residential and light commercial construction. Prerequisite: CNBT 1316, CNBT 1311, CNBT 1309.

CNBT 1302 Mechanical, Plumbing & Electrical Systems in Construction I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a presentation of the basic mechanical, plumbing, and electrical components in construction and their relationship to residential and light commercial buildings. Prerequisite: CNBT 2342, DFTG 1315, ARCE 1303.

CNBT 1309 Basic Construction Management
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course provides an integrated look at the practice of construction management on the job site to introduce the basic skills used in human resources management. Students will be able to identify the tools and techniques used by the job site manager in planning and scheduling a construction project; develop a basic site layout plan for equipment and materials delivery and erection process; develop a basic safety and loss control plan for a typical construction project; and explain the use of construction documents on the construction project. Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in CNBT 1316, CNBT 1311, CNBT 1309.

CNBT 1311 Construction Methods and Materials I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is an introduction to construction materials and methods and their applications. Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in CNBT 1316, CNBT 1300, CNBT 1309.

CNBT 1315 Field Engineering I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course covers surveying equipment, sketches, proper field note taking, methods of staking, layout of building site, and horizontal and vertical controls. Prerequisite: CNBT 1342, CNBT 1302.

CNBT 1316 Construction Technology I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to site preparation of foundations and form work, safety, tools, and equipment. Students will be required to explain safety practices and procedures; identify and demonstrate the use of tools and equipment; identify and estimate material requirements from blueprints; and demonstrate proper methods and techniques used in various types of site preparation and foundation. Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in ARCE 1303 and DFTG 1315.

CNBT 1342 Building Codes and Inspections
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to building codes and standards applicable to building construction and inspection processes. The student will be expected to identify various construction classifications and occupancy categories; cross-reference the guidelines, tables, charts, and specifications as presented in the building codes; and assess and determine if construction meets building code standards for site, foundation, rough, and final building structure inspection. Prerequisite: ARCE 1303, DFTG 1315.

CNBT 1346 Construction Estimating I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to the fundamentals of estimating materials and labor costs in construction. The student will be required to explain estimating procedures; estimate materials from blueprints; and calculate labor units and costs. Prerequisite: CNBT 2304.

CNBT 1350 Construction Technology II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to framing in residential and light commercial construction to include safety, tools and equipment used in floor, wall, ceiling, and roof framing methods and systems. Prerequisite: CNBT 1316, CNBT 2304.

CNBT 1359 Project Scheduling
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is a study of conventional scheduling using critical-path-method; precedence and arrow networks; car charts; monthly reports; and fast track scheduling. Prerequisite: CNBT 1309, CNBT 1346.

CNBT 1380 Capstone: Cooperative Education
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20
This course is a career-related activities encountered in the student’s area specialization offered through an individualized agreement among the College, employer and student. Under the supervision of the College and the employer, the student combines classroom learning with work experience in combination with a lecture component. The student will be required to, as outlined in the learning plan, apply the theory, concept and skills involving specialized materials, tools, equipment, procedures, regulations, laws, and interactions within and among political, economic, environmental, social, and legal and ethical behavior, safety practices, interpersonal and teamwork skills,
and appropriate written and verbal communication skills using the terminology of the occupation and the business/industry.

**Prerequisite:** CNBT 1342, CNBT 2344, CNBT 2337 and CNBT 1350.

**CNBT 2304 Construction Methods and Materials II**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:2 LAB HRS:4

This course is a continuation of the study of the properties of building materials, methods and equipment for their integrated use in completing construction projects. The student will be required to identify materials used in construction; identify and describe the basic characteristics, traditional uses for, and manner of assembly of common materials used in construction.

Prerequisite: ARCE 1303, DFTG 1315.

**CNBT 2305 Building and Contracting**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:2 LAB HRS:4

This course will present the basic process of organizing and operating a building or contracting business. The student will be expected to define the terms used in construction as they relate to building and contracting; describe the organizational structure of a successful construction business; list the duties of owner, accountant, estimator, salesman, superintendent, and other field personnel; define methods used in selecting, coordinating, and dealing with subcontractors; develop a marketing approach that includes methods used in determining local market needs, selecting building lots, determining sale prices, and advertising; develop financial controls for a construction business; and develop a scheduling system.

Prerequisite: CNBT 2315.

**CNBT 2315 Construction Specifications and Contracts**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0

This course is an introduction to legal aspects of written construction specifications including tax, insurance, and lien requirements as well as implementation, modification, and administration. The student will be required to describe the purpose of construction specifications; list and describe the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) divisions in contract documents; identify the typical legal documents required for construction; and explain the purpose of general and special conditions.

Prerequisite: CNBT 2342, CNBT 2344.

**CNBT 2317 Green Building**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:0 LAB HRS:4

This course is an introduction to methods and materials used for buildings that conserve energy, water and human resources. The student will be required to explain the concept of Green Building; select equipment to build rain water harvesting systems; and identify appropriate materials to build exterior and interior systems that reflect "Green by Design" concepts.

Prerequisite: CNBT 2304.

**CNBT 2323 Construction Estimating II**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:0 LAB HRS:4

This course is a continuation in advanced estimating concepts using computer software programs for construction and crafts. The student will be expected to identify and utilize various estimating resources; determine types of estimating needed in construction; calculate quantities, costs, and time units; and develop computerized reports for detailed construction estimates.

Prerequisite: CNBT 1346.

**CNBT 2324 Construction Management I**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:1 LAB HRS:0

This course is an introduction to human relations management skills in motivation on the job site. Topics include written and oral communications, leadership and motivation, problem solving, and decision making.

Prerequisite: None

**CNBT 2344 Construction Management II**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:0 LAB HRS:4

This course is a management course in contract documents, safety, planning, scheduling, production control, and law and labor. Topics include contracts, planning, cost and production peripheral documents, and cost and work analysis.

Prerequisite: CNBT 2342.

**CNBT 2346 Construction Management III**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:0 LAB HRS:0

This course is an advanced course in construction safety, project management, scheduling, material handling, layout, payment scheduling, and inspection. The student will be expected to apply knowledge of construction safety procedures; describe project layout, payment scheduling, and job inspection; and develop a schedule and material handling layout plan.

Prerequisite: CNBT 2344 and completion of or concurrent enrollment in CNBT 2335.

**OSHT 1313 Accident Prevention, Inspection and Investigation**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:0 LAB HRS:4

This course provides a basis for understanding the nature of occupational hazard recognition, accident prevention, loss reduction, inspection techniques, and accident investigation analysis. The student will be required to describe the components of an effective accident investigation; analyze factors which contributed to accidents; recommend appropriate changes to prevent further accidents; and explain the components of an effective safety inspection and make appropriate recommendations to correct hazards identified by the inspection.

Prerequisite: CNBT 1342, CNBT 2344.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**CRIJ 1301 Introduction to Criminal Justice**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0

This course is a multi-disciplinary overview and analysis of the major agencies, personnel and decision-making points which comprise the criminal justice system. Included are a survey of problems and issues confronting legislatures, police, courts, corrections and the community as they respond to crime in a free society. Legal precedents guiding the decisions of criminal justice agents are also discussed.

Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

**CRIJ 1306 Court Systems and Practices**

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0

This course is a study of procedural regulations that guide the processing of criminal cases through the criminal justice system with emphasis on the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure and rules of evidence. Included is a discussion...
Juvenile Justice System

Fundamentals of Criminal Law

This course is a study of the nature of criminal law; historical and philosophical development of law in society; major definitions and concepts; classifications of crime; elements of crime and penalties using the Texas statutes as illustrations, and criminal responsibility.

Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

CRU 1310

Juvenile Justice System

This is the study of the juvenile justice process to include specializing in juvenile law, the role of the juvenile courts, police agencies and correctional agencies, as well as a focus on the theories of juvenile delinquency.

Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

CRU 1313

Correctional Systems and Practices

This course is a study of corrections in the criminal justice system; organization of correctional systems; correctional role; institutional operations; alternatives to institutionalization; treatment and rehabilitation; and current and future issues in corrections.

Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

CRU 2313

Institutional and Operational Issues in Corrections

This course will focus on the many ways of conducting a criminal investigation; to include, but not limited to: collection and preservation of evidence, interviewing and interrogation techniques, sources of information, use of forensic science and trial preparation. This course will use investigative theories in achieving its goals.

Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

CRU 2314

Capstone: Practicum II

This course is a capstone experience for the certificate students. This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and the student.

Prerequisite: Second semester standing in the Commercial Cooking Certificate.

CHEF 1301

Basic Food Preparation

This course is a study of the fundamental principles of food preparation and cookery to include the Brigade System, cooking techniques material handling, heat transfer, sanitation, safety, nutrition, and professionalism.

Prerequisite: None.

CHEF 1305

Sanitation and Safety

This course is a study of personal cleanliness; sanitary practices in food preparation; causes, investigation, and control of illness caused by food contamination (Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points); and work place safety standards.

Prerequisite: None.

CHEF 1345

International Cuisine

This course explores classical cooking skills associated with the preparation and service of international and ethnic cuisines. Topics include similarities between food production systems used in the United States and other regions of the world.

Prerequisite: CHEF 1301, CHEF 1305.

CHEF 2264

Intermediate Food Preparation

This course reinforces the course material of Intermediate Food Preparation. Topics include the concept of pre-cooked food items, and the preparation of canapés, hors d’oeuvres, and breakfast items.

Prerequisite: Current Food Handlers Card or ServSafe Certified Food Protection Manager card, CHEF 1305, and RSTO 2307.

PSTR 1264

Capstone: Practicum I

This course is a capstone experience for the certificate students. This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and the student.

Prerequisite: Second semester standing in the Commercial Baking Certificate.

PSTR 1301

Fundamentals of Baking

This course explores the fundamentals of baking including dough, quick breads, pies, cakes, cookies, tarts, and doughnuts. Instruction in flours, fillings and ingredients is also included. Topics include baking terminology, tool and equipment use, formula conversions, functions of ingredients, and the evaluation of baked products.

Prerequisite: None.

PSTR 1305

Breads and Rolls

This course concentrates on fundamentals of chemically and yeast raised breads and rolls.
Instruction is on commercial preparation of a wide variety of products.
Prerequisite: CHEF 1305 and PSTR 1301.

PSTR 1306
Cake Decorating I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to skills, concepts and techniques of cake decorating.
Prerequisite: None.

PSTR 1310
Pies, Tarts, Teacakes and Cookies
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course focuses on preparation of American and European style pie and tart fillings and dough, cookies, teacakes, custard and batters. Instruction is on finishing and presentation techniques.
Prerequisite: None.

PSTR 2301
Chocolates and Confections
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a study of production and decoration of traditional truffles, marzipan, molded and hand-dipped chocolate, caramels, nougats, and pate de fruit.
Prerequisite: CHEF 1305 and PSTR 1301.

PSTR 2331
Advanced Pastry Shop
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is a study of classical desserts, French and international pastries, hot and cold desserts, ice creams and ices, chocolate work, and decorations. Emphasis is placed on advanced techniques.
Prerequisite: CHEF 1305, PSTR 1301.

RSTO 2301
Principles of Food and Beverage Controls
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of financial principles and controls of food service operation including review of operation policies and procedures. Topics will include financial budgeting and cost analysis emphasizing food and beverage labor costs, operational analysis, and international and regulatory reporting procedures.
Prerequisite: None.

RSTO 2307
Catering
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course instructs the student on the principles, techniques, and applications for both on-premises, off-premises, and group marketing of catering operations including food preparation, holding, and transporting techniques.
Prerequisite: Current Food Handlers Card or ServSafe Certified Food Protection Manager card and CHEF 1305.

Beverage Controls
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course introduces the principles, concepts and systems of professional table service. Topics will include dining room organization, scheduling and management of food service personnel.
Prerequisite: Current Food Handlers Card or ServSafe Certified Food Protection Manager card and CHEF 1305.

DANCE

DANC 1241
Ballet I
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:02
This course offers knowledge and skill development in the basics of classical Russian ballet technique. Emphasis will be placed on correct alignment, basic barre work, simple center floor work, and ballet vocabulary.
Prerequisite: None.

DANC 2303
Dance Appreciation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course focuses on an Introduction to the theory of Western dance performance forms, including ballet, modern dance, jazz, post-modern dance, and Spanish Folkloric dance. Emphasis is placed on how to understand, enjoy, and appreciate the complexities of dance terminology, history, evolution, symbolism, and cultural applications, as pertaining to the various forms of dance.
Prerequisite: TS1 complete in Reading, or equivalent.

DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY

DMSO 1166
Practicum I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:07
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and student.
Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program; DMSO 1260 with a “B” or better, DMSO 1210, DMSO 1302, DMSO 1341 and DMSO 2305 with a “C” or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 2357.

DMSO 1167
Practicum II
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:07
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and student.
Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program; DMSO 1166 with a “B” or better, DMSO 2351 with a “C” or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 2353.

DMSO 1210
Introduction to Sonography
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to the profession of sonography and the role of the sonographer. Emphasis is on medical terminology, ethical/legal aspects, written and verbal communication, and professional issues relating to registry, accreditation, professional organizations and history of the profession.
Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program; an AAS degree in Radiologic Technology and a current ARRT certification.

DMSO 1260
Clinical
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:12
This course provides a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program and current enrollment in DMSO 1210, DMSO 1302, DMSO 1341 and DMSO 2305.

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**DMSO 1302**
**Basic Ultrasound Physics**

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<td>This course is about the basic acoustical physics and acoustical waves in human tissue. Emphasis is on ultrasound transmission in soft tissues, attenuation of sound energy, parameters affecting sound transmission and resolution of sound beams.</td>
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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program and current enrollment in the following: DMSO 1210, DMSO 1260, DMSO 2366 and DMSO 2305.

**DMSO 1341**
**Abdominopelvic Sonography**

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**DMSO 1342**
**Intermediate Ultrasound Physics**

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<td>This course offers a continuation of Basic Ultrasound Physics, which includes interaction of ultrasound with tissues, mechanics of ultrasound production and display, various transducer designs and construction, quality assurance, bioeffects, and image artifacts. It may introduce methods of Doppler flow analysis.</td>
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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program: DMSO 1167 with a "B" or better, DMSO 2353 with a "C" or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 2366, DMSO 2342 and DMSO 2441.

**DMSO 2230**
**Advanced Ultrasound and Review**

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<td>This course covers knowledge, skills and professional values within a legal and ethical framework addressing emerging technologies and professional development.</td>
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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program: DMSO 2366 with a "B" or better, DMSO 2342, DMSO 1342 and DMSO 2441 with a "C" or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 2367.

**DMSO 2305**
**Sonography of Obstetrics/Gynecology**

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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program and current enrollment in the following: DMSO 1210, DMSO 1260, DMSO 1302 and DMSO 1341.

**DMSO 2342**
**Sonography of High Risk Obstetrics**

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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program; DMSO 1167 with a "B" or better, DMSO 2353 with a "C" or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 2366, DMSO 1342 and DMSO 2441.

**DMSO 2351**
**Doppler Physics**

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<td>This course provides an overview of the Doppler and hemodynamic principles relating to arterial and venous imaging and testing.</td>
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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program: DMSO 1260 with a "B" or better, DMSO 1210, DMSO 1302, DMSO 1341 and DMSO 2353 with a "C" or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 1166.

**DMSO 2353**
**Sonography of Superficial Structures**

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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program; DMSO 1166 with a "B" or better, DMSO 2351 with a "C" or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 1167.

**DMSO 2366**
**Practicum III**

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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program; DMSO 1167 with a "B" or better, DMSO 2353 with a "C" or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 2342, DMSO 1342 and DMSO 2441.

**DMSO 2367**
**Practicum IV**

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**DMSO 2441**
**Sonography of Abdominopelvic Pathology**

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<td>This course provides an overview of the pathologies and disease states of the abdomen and pelvis as related to scanning techniques, patient history and laboratory data, transducer selection, and scanning protocols. Emphasis in the endocavity sonographic anatomy and procedures including pregnancy.</td>
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Prerequisite: Admissions to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program; DMSO 1167 with a "B" or better, DMSO 2353 with a "C" or better and concurrent enrollment in DMSO 2366, DMSO 2342 and DMSO 1342.

**DEMR 1229**
**Preventative Maintenance**

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Prerequisite: None.

**DEMR 1230**
**Steering & Suspension I**

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<td>This course is a study of design, function, maintenance, and repair of steering and suspension systems. Emphasis is on troubleshooting and repair of failed components.</td>
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Prerequisite: None.

**DEMR 1266**
**Capstone: Practicum**

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Prerequisite: Permission from the department.

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DEM R 1303 Basic Driving Skills
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to the use of a Class B combination vehicle. Emphasis will be placed on preparation to obtain a Texas Commercial Drivers License (CDL).
Prerequisite: None.

DEM R 1233 Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Troubleshooting and Repair
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to heating, ventilation, and air conditioning theory, testing, and repair. Emphasis is placed on refrigerant reclamation, safety procedures, specialized tools, and repairs.
Prerequisite: None.

DEM R 1401 Diesel Shop Safety and Procedures
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a study of diesel shop safety, rules, basic shop tools, and test equipment.
Prerequisite: None.

DEM R 1405 Basic Electrical Systems
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is an introduction to the basic principles of electrical systems of diesel powered equipment with emphasis on starters, alternators, and batteries.
Prerequisite: None.

DEM R 1410 Diesel Engine Testing and Repair I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is an introduction to testing and repairing diesel engines including related systems specialized tools.
Prerequisite: None.

DEM R 1416 Basic Hydraulics
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course covers the fundamentals of hydraulics including components and related systems.
Prerequisite: None.

DEM R 1417 Basic Brake Systems
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is an introduction to the basic principles of brake systems of diesel powered equipment. Emphasis is placed on maintenance, repairs, and troubleshooting.
Prerequisite: None.

DEM R 1442 Power Train Applications I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course provides in-depth coverage of the mechanics and theory of power trains. Emphasis is placed on disassembly, inspection, and repair of power train components.
Prerequisite: None.

DEM R 2432 Electronic Controls
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course covers advanced skills in diagnostic and programming techniques of electronic control systems.
Prerequisite: None.

DRAMA

◆ DRAM 1120 Theater Practicum I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course is a practicum in theater open to all students with emphasis on technique and procedures with experience gained in play productions.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ DRAM 1121 Theater Practicum II
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course is a practicum in theater open to all students with emphasis on technique and procedures with experience gained in play productions.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ DRAM 1130 Introduction to Theater
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of theater including its history, dramatic works, stage techniques, production procedures, and relation to other art forms. Participation in productions may be required.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

◆ DRAM 1330 Stagecraft I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study and application of the methods and components of theatrical production which may include one or more of the following: theater facilities, scenery construction and painting, properties, lighting, costume, makeup, sound, and theatrical management.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ DRAM 1341 Makeup
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This is a course in design and execution of makeup for the purpose of developing believable characters. It includes discussion of basic makeup principles and the practical experience of makeup application.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ DRAM 1342 Introduction to Costume
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of the principles and techniques of costume design and construction for theatrical productions.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ DRAM 1351 Acting I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to the fundamental principles and tools of acting as used in auditions, rehearsals, and performances. This may include ensemble performing, character and script analysis, and basic theater terminology. This exploration will emphasize the development of the actor's instrument: voice, body and imagination.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ DRAM 1352 Acting II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides exploration and further training within the basic principles and tools of acting, including an emphasis on critical analysis of oneself and others. The tools include ensemble performing, character and script analysis, and basic theater terminology. This will continue the exploration of the development of the actor's instrument: voice, body and imagination.
Prerequisite: DRAM 1351.

◆ DRAM 2120 Theater Practicum III
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course is a practicum in theater open to all students with emphasis on technique and procedures with experience gained in play productions.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ DRAM 2366 Introduction to Cinema
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course will survey and analyze cinema including history, film techniques, production procedures, selected motion pictures, and cinema's impact on and reflection of society.
Prerequisite: None.
### ECONOMICS

**ECON 2301 Principles of Economics I - Macro**
CRHRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course covers analysis of the economy as a whole including measurement and determination of Aggregate Demand and Aggregate Supply, national income, inflation, and unemployment. Other topics include international trade, economic growth, business cycles, and fiscal policy and monetary policy.
Prerequisite: Completion of MATH 0085 or equivalent, or BNKG 1340.

**ECON 2302 Principles of Economics II - Micro**
CRHRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course covers analysis of the behavior of individual economic agents, including consumer behavior and demand, producer behavior and supply, price and output decisions by firms under various market structures, factor markets, market failures, and international trade.
Prerequisite: Successful completion of MATH 0085 or satisfactory score on placement test.

### EDUCATION

**EDUC 1300 Learning Framework**
CRHRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course is a study of the research and theory in the psychology of learning, cognition, and motivation, factors that impact learning, and application of learning strategies. Theoretical models of strategic learning, cognition, and motivation serve as the conceptual basis for the introduction of college-level student academic strategies. Students use assessment instruments (e.g., learning inventories) to help them identify their own strengths and weaknesses as strategic learners. Students are ultimately expected to integrate and apply the learning skills discussed across their own academic programs and become effective and efficient learners. Students developing these skills should be able to continually draw from the theoretical models they have learned.
Prerequisite: None.

**EDUC 1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession**
CRHRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.01
This is an enriched, integrated pre-service course and content experience that provides active recruitment and institutional support of students interested in a teaching career, especially in high need fields. This course provides students with opportunities to participate in early field observations at all levels of P-12 schools with varied and diverse student populations and provides students with support from college and school faculty, preferably in small cohort groups, for the purpose of introduction to and analysis of the culture of schooling and classrooms. Course content should be aligned as applicable with State Board for Educator Certification Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities standards; and the course must include a minimum of 16 contact hours of field experience in P-12 classrooms.
Prerequisite: None.

**EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations**
CRHRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.01
This is an enriched, integrated pre-service course and content experience that provides an overview of schooling and classrooms from the perspectives of language, gender, socioeconomic status, ethnic and academic diversity, and equity with an emphasis on factors that facilitate learning. The course provides students with opportunities to participate in early field observations of P-12 special populations and should be aligned as applicable with State Board for Educator Certification Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities standards. Must include a minimum of 16 contact hours of field experience in P-12 classrooms with special populations.
Prerequisite: EDUC 1301.

### ELECTRICIAN TECHNOLOGY

**ELMT 1402 Solar Photovoltaic Systems**
CRHRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course is a study in design and installation of solar photovoltaic systems and their applications. Students will be required to design a solar photovoltaic array, define industry terms, investigate certification requirements, and install and troubleshoot systems.
Prerequisite: ELMT 1357, ELMT 2319.

**ELMT 1405 Basic Fluid Power**
CRHRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is a basic fluid power course covering pneumatic and hydraulic systems, fluid power symbols, operating theory, components, and basic electrical and manual controls.
Prerequisite: None.

**ELMT 1411 Solar Fundamentals**
CRHRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course is a study of heat transference, motors, pumps and other mechanical devices; solid state switches; photovoltaic plates and energy conversion; thermal dynamics; and solar energy.
Prerequisite: None.

**ELPT 1325 National Electrical Code I**
CRHRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course is an introductory study of the National Electric Code (NEC) for those employed in fields requiring knowledge of the Code. Emphasis is on wiring design, protection, methods, and materials; equipment for general use; and basic calculations.
Prerequisite: None.

**ELPT 1357 Industrial Wiring**
CRHRS.03 LEC HRS.02 LAB HRS.04
This course provides instruction in wiring methods used for industrial installations. It includes motor circuits, raceway and busway installations, proper grounding techniques, and associated safety procedures.
Prerequisites: ELPT 1419, ELPT 1445.

**ELPT 1411 Basic Electric Theory**
CRHRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course covers basic theory and practice of electrical circuits. It also includes calculations as applied to alternating and direct current.
Prerequisite: None.

**ELPT 1419 Fundamentals of Electricity I**
CRHRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course is an introduction to basic direct current (DC) theory including electron theory and direct current applications.
Prerequisite: None.
ELPT 1420 Fundamentals of Electricity II
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course introduces alternating current (AC). Includes AC voltage, frequency, mechanical and electrical degrees, waveforms, resistors, capacitors, and inductors.
Prerequisites: ELPT 1411, ELPT 1419, ELPT 1325, and ELPT 1429.

ELPT 1429 Residential Wiring
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers wiring methods, for single family and multi-family dwellings. It includes load calculations, service entrance sizing, proper grounding techniques, and associated safety procedures.
Prerequisites: None.

ELPT 1445 Commercial Wiring
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course provides instruction in commercial wiring methods. It includes over current protection, raceway panel board installation, proper grounding techniques, and associated safety procedures.
Prerequisites: ELPT 1411, ELPT 1419, ELPT 1325, and ELPT 1428.

ELPT 2264 Practicum Field Experience
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20
This course is a practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and student. The student will be required to, as outlined in the learning plan, apply the theory, concept and skills involving specialized materials, tools, equipment, procedures, regulations, laws and interactions.
Prerequisites: ELPT 1387, ELPT 2319.

ELPT 2319 Programmable Logic Controllers I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course covers the fundamental concepts of programmable logic controllers, principles of operation, and numbering systems as applied to electrical controls.
Prerequisites: ELPT 1419, ELPT 1445.

ELPT 2325 National Electrical Code II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides in-depth coverage of the National Electrical Code (NEC) for those employed in fields requiring knowledge of the Code. Emphasis is placed on wiring protection and methods, special conditions, and advanced calculations.
Prerequisites: ELPT 1417, ELPT 1419, ELPT 1325, and ELPT 1429.

ELPT 2437 Electrical Planning and Estimating
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study in planning and estimating for residential, commercial and industrial wiring systems to include a variety of electrical techniques. The student will be expected to list estimating procedures, formulate material and labor costs, identify types of bids, calculate cost adjustments and job costs and demonstrate the use of estimating forms.
Prerequisites: ELPT 1357, ELPT 2319.

Elpt 2447 Electrical Testing and Maintenance
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers proper and safe use of electrical power equipment test devices and the interpretation of test results. It includes protective relay testing and calibration, direct current (DC) testing, insulation power factor testing, and medium voltage switchgear.
Prerequisites: ELPT 1411, ELPT 1419, ELPT 1325, and ELPT 1429.

WIND 2359 Wind Power Delivery System
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:01
This course is an in-depth study of the components, equipment, and infrastructure used in the production and transmission of electricity as related to wind turbine power and the input and output of electrical power delivery systems for wind generation.
Prerequisites: None.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

EMSP 1160 EMT-Basic Clinical
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts in a hospital clinical setting. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional. This is an unpaid clinical experience.
Prerequisite: Admission to the program; concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1501.

EMSP 1161 EMT-Intermediate Hospital Clinical
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts in a hospital clinical setting. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional. This is an unpaid intermediate level clinical experience.
Prerequisite: Admission to the program; Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1338.

EMSP 1166 EMT-Basic Practicum
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:07
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. This course is an experience on an ambulance unit that helps students gain practical experience in the discipline, enhance skills, and integrate knowledge. Direct supervision is provided by a clinical professional, generally a clinical preceptor. This is an unpaid basic practicum experience.
Prerequisite: Admission to the program; concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1501.

EMSP 1167 EMT-Intermediate Hospital Practicum
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:07
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and the student. This course is an experience in an ambulance unit that helps students gain practical experience in the discipline, enhance skills, and integrate knowledge. Direct supervision is provided by a clinical professional, generally a clinical preceptor. This is an unpaid intermediate level practicum experience at the EMT-Intermediate level.
Prerequisite: Admission to the program; concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1338.

EMSP 1208 Emergency Vehicle Operations
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course provides the student with instruction, discussion, demonstration, and driving range practice to prepare drivers of emergency vehicles to operate their vehicles safely in the emergency and non-emergency mode.
Prerequisite: Admission to the program; concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1501.
EMSP 1338 Introduction to Advanced Practice
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is an exploration of the fundamental elements associated with emergency medical services to include preparatory practices, pathophysiology, medication administration, and related topics. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1161 and EMSP 1167, current 7DM EMT-Basic certification.

EMSP 1355 Trauma Management
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is a detailed study of the knowledge and skills necessary to reach competence in the assessment and management of patients with traumatic injuries. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1338.

EMSP 1356 Patient Assessment and Airway Management
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a detailed study of the knowledge and skills required for performing patient assessment, airway management, and artificial ventilation. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1338.

EMSP 1371 EMS Documentation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course is designed to develop the student’s documentation skills with regard to rendering emergency medical care. Both written and oral reports will be reviewed as well as the legal implications associated with report writing. Prerequisite: Admission to the program; concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1501.

EMSP 1472 Emergency Issues in EMT
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:02
The purpose of this course is to demonstrate a working knowledge of clinical information and related topics relevant to the practice of prehospital emergency medical care at the Emergency Medical Technician -Basic (EMT-B) level. The student will research new/upcoming issues and prepare written and oral presentations. The student will be evaluated on presentation as well as content. Prerequisite: Admission to the program; concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1501.

EMSP 1501 Emergency Medical Technician
CRT HRS:05 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:04
This course is preparation for certification as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). The student will learn all the skills necessary to provide emergency medical care at a basic life support level with an ambulance service or other specialized services. Prerequisite: Admission to the program; concurrent enrollment in EMSP 1160 and EMSP 1166.

EMSP 2143 Assessment Based Management
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:04
This course is a capstone experience covering comprehensive, assessment-based patient care management. It includes specific care when dealing with pediatric, adult, geriatric, and special needs patients. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 2444.

EMSP 2160 Paramedic Clinical I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills and concepts in a hospital clinical setting. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional. This is an unpaid paramedic level one clinical experience. Prerequisite: Admission to the program.

EMSP 2166 Capstone: Paramedic Practicum
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and the student. This course is an experience on an ambulance unit that helps students gain practical experience in the discipline, enhance skills, and integrated knowledge. Direct supervision is provided by a clinical professional, generally a clinical preceptor. This is an unpaid practicum experience at the EMT-Paramedic level. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 2434 and successful completion of EMSP 2143, and permission from the department.

EMSP 2205 EMS Operations
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:01
This course is a detailed study of the knowledge and skills necessary to reach competence to safely manage multi-casualty incidents and rescue situations; utilize air medical resources; identify hazardous materials and other specialized incidents. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 2444.

EMSP 2330 Special Populations
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is a detailed study of the knowledge and skills necessary to reach competence in the assessment and management of ill or injured patients in diverse populations to include neonatology, pediatrics, geriatrics, and other related topics. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 2434.

EMSP 2434 Medical Emergencies
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:04
This course is a detailed study of the knowledge and skills necessary to reach competence in the assessment and management of patients with medical emergencies, including medical overview, neurology, gastroenterology, immunology, pulmonology, urology, hematology, endocrinology, toxicology, and other related topics. Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in EMSP 2330, successful completion of EMSP 2444 and EMSP 2205.

EMSP 2444 Cardiology
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:04
This course is a detailed study of the knowledge and skills necessary to reach competence in the assessment and management of patients with cardiac emergencies. This includes basic dysrhythmia interpretation, recognition of 12-lead EKGs for field diagnosis, and electrical and pharmacological interventions. Prerequisite: None.

ENGINEERING
◆ ENGR 1201 Introduction to Engineering
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to engineering as a discipline and a profession. It includes instruction in the application of mathematical and scientific principles to the solution of practical problems for the benefit of society. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and completion of MATH 1414 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆ ENGR 1304 Engineering Graphics
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to computer-aided drafting using CAD software (Solid Works) and
sketching to generate two- and three-dimensional drawings based on the conventions of engineering graphical communication; topics include spatial relationships, multiview, projections and sectioning, dimensional, graphical presentation of data, and fundamentals of computer graphics. If time permits, rapid prototyping via 3D printing and/or CNC milling will be introduced.

Prerequisite: PHYS 2425 and MATH 2413 with a grade of "C" or better or permission from the instructor.

◆ENGR 2405 Electrical Circuits I

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01 This course covers principles of electrical circuits and systems, including basic circuit elements (resistance, inductance, mutual inductance, capacitance, independent and dependent controlled voltage, and current sources). Topology of electrical networks; Kirchhoff's laws; node and mesh analysis; DC circuit analysis; operational amplifiers; transient and sinusoidal steady-state analysis; AC circuit analysis; first- and second-order circuits; Bode plots; and use of computer simulation software to solve circuit problems. Laboratory experiments supporting theoretical principles involving DC and AC circuit theory, network theorems, time, and frequency domain circuit analysis. Introduction to principles and operation of basic laboratory equipment; laboratory report preparation.

Prerequisites: PHYS 2425 and MATH 2414 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ENGR 2406 Digital Systems Engineering I

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01 This course is an introduction to theory and design of digital logic, circuits, and systems. Number systems, operations and codes; logic gates; Boolean Algebra and logic simplification; Karnaugh maps; combinational logic; functions of combinational logic; flip-flops and related devices; counters; shift registers; sequential logic; memory and storage are covered. Laboratory experiments supporting theoretical principles involving design, construction, and analysis of combinational and sequential digital circuits and systems, including logic gates, adders, multiplexers, encoders, decoders, arithmetic logic units, latches, flip-flops, registers, and counters; and preparation of laboratory reports.

Prerequisites: ENGR 2301 and MATH 2414 with a grade of "C" or better or permission from the instructor.

ENGLISH

ENGL 0100 Developmental English I

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:00 This English course is designed to advance the students’ writing skills. The aim of this course is to prepare the students for college readiness assessment tests and academic writing. The students will study professional and peer writing samples; the composing techniques of different and integrated rhetorical modes of writing, and grammar, usage, and mechanics. Curriculum will contextualize writing in projects based on college level courses. Special emphasis is placed on paragraph construction in the context of essay writing. This course has a required one-hour lab.

Prerequisite: Placement based on TSI score: Essay 1-3 with Multiple Choice 350-351, and ABE score levels 5 and 6.

NCBW 0300 Non-Course Based Developmental Writing II

CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:00 The development of college-level writing focusing on idea generation, drafting, organization, revision, and utilization of standard English will be covered.


◆ENGL 1301 Composition I

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This course focuses on the development of effective communication through written discourse. Emphasis is placed on the process of writing, including pre-writing, writing, stages of revision, and editing. Students will learn to employ various organizational strategies to expository essays and will analyze style, tone, and point of view in different literary genres.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing; or completion of INRW 0304 with a grade of "C" or better; or TSI Reading score of 349-50 and co-enrollment in NCBW 0300 and TSI complete in Writing; or TSI Writing score of E4/MC361-362 and co-enrollment in NCBW 0300 and TSI complete in Reading; or TSI Reading score of 349-350 and TSI Writing score of E4/MC 361-362 and co-enrollment in NCBW 0300 and NCBW 0300.

◆ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 Students will examine and employ rhetorical strategies and techniques of argumentation in written discourse, principles of logic will be discussed, and research and documentation techniques will be applied in the process of completing a research project.

Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or higher in ENGL 1301.

◆ENGL 2307 Creative Writing I

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This course is for students who want to explore, discover, and develop their writing talents. The focus of this course is on the techniques and skills necessary in writing fiction, nonfiction, poetry, drama or screenwriting.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing; or completion of INRW
This course emphasizes selected readings of British literature. It encompasses the study of three literary genres which may include short stories, poetry and drama, novel or novella, and essay. English 2326 is also designed to introduce students to the study of literary periods, terms and criticism.
Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or higher in both ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302.

ENGL 2326 American Literature
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course emphasizes selected readings of American literature. It encompasses the study of three literary genres which may include short stories, poetry and drama, novel or novella, and essay. English 2326 is also designed to introduce students to the study of literary periods, terms and criticism.
Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or higher in both ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302.

ENGL 2331 World Literature
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course emphasizes selected readings of world literature. It will include the study of three literary genres which may include short stories, poetry and drama, novel or novella, and essay. English 2331 is also designed to introduce students to the study of literary periods, terms and criticism.
Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or higher in both ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302.

ENGL 2341 Introduction to Forms of Literature
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides an introduction to the study of a minimum of three literary genres which may include short stories, poetry and drama, novel or novella, and essay. English 2341 is also designed to introduce students to the study of literary periods, terms and criticism.
Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or higher in both ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302.

ENGL 2351 Mexican American Literature
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course emphasizes selected readings in Mexican American Literature, as well as some other Hispanic American readings. It encompasses the study of three literary genres which may include short stories, poetry and drama, novel or novella, and essay. English 2351 is also designed to introduce students to the study of literary periods, terms, and criticism.
Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or higher in both ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302.

ENGL 2389 Academic Cooperative
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This class will include practical, hands-on work in areas related to English language and literature. In conjunction with class seminars, the academic capstone will provide opportunities for greater understanding and exposure to English through the applied study of the written word.
Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or higher in both ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

ESOL 0031 ESOL Oral Communication I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course prepares speakers of other languages at the beginning or low intermediate level for oral communication in both public and academic settings. Emphasis is placed on developing listening and speaking skills through listening to natural speeches or prose in sustained length and through engagement in conversations in various communicative situations. This course does not apply toward the Associate Degree.
Prerequisite: Placement is based on student's interview with the ESOL coordinator, or passing ESOL 0032 or ESOL 0042 with a grade of "C" or better.

ESOL 0041 ESOL Composition for Non-Native Speakers I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course focuses on assisting speakers of other languages at the beginning and low intermediate levels in acquiring English proficiency in reading and writing. Emphasis is placed on building vocabulary and sentence skills in the context of readings. Instruction will also focus on reading comprehension strategies such as finding the main idea and the details. Training in writing strategies will focus on writing in response to reading and will also focus on paragraph construction. This course does not apply toward the Associate Degree.
Prerequisite: None.

ESOL 0042 ESOL Composition for Non-Native Speakers II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course focuses on assisting speakers of other languages at the intermediate and high intermediate levels in acquiring English proficiency in reading and writing. Emphasis is placed on building vocabulary and sentence skills in the context of readings. Instruction will also focus on additional reading comprehension strategies such as generalization, inference, prediction and drawing conclusions. Training in writing strategies will focus on writing in response to reading and will also focus on essay construction. This course does not apply toward the Associate Degree.
Prerequisite: None.
ESOL 0051  ESOL Reading and Vocabulary
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:01
This course develops English reading proficiency and vocabulary for academic, career, or personal purposes in speakers of languages other than English and prepares them to function in a multicultural, multilingual society. Upon successful completion of this course, students will: comprehend and summarize texts, including the identification main idea, supporting details, audience, and purpose of text; interpret and critically analyze author's bias, purpose, and perspective in academic materials; make inferences and draw conclusions from a variety of college level texts; respond critically, orally and in writing, to various kinds of college level texts; understand and use academic vocabulary and linguistically complex structures across a variety of disciplines and genres; and demonstrate knowledge of cultural and historical references to American society in written materials.
Prerequisite: Placement based on an English as a Second Language proficiency exam.

ESOL 0052  ESOL Grammar for Non-Native Speakers
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:01
This course focuses on Standard English grammar usage for academic purposes. Open only to non-native speakers. Upon successful completion of this course, students will: Use verb tenses and voice with proficiency; use simple, compound, and complex sentences structures including phrases and clauses with proficiency; use parts of speech (nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions, interjections, conjunctions) and determiners (quantifiers, articles, demonstratives, possessives) appropriately and with proficiency; use appropriate word choice, word form, and word order with proficiency; respond critically, orally and in writing, to various kinds of college level texts; and understand and use academic vocabulary and linguistically complex structures, orally and in writing, across a variety of disciplines and genres.
Prerequisite: Placement based on an English as a Second Language proficiency exam.

FIRE SCIENCE
FIRS 1203  Firefighter Agility/Fitness Preparation
CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:05
This course focuses on physical ability testing methods. It includes rigorous training in skills and techniques needed in typical fire department physical ability tests. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a Fire Academy by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.
Prerequisite: None.

FIRS 1301  Firefighter Certification I
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to firefighter safety and development. Topics include Texas Commission on Fire Protection Rules and Regulations, firefighter safety, fire science, personal protective equipment, self-contained breathing apparatus, and fire reports and records. Lab required. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a Fire Academy by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.
Prerequisite: None.

FIRS 1313  Firefighter Certification III
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02
This course is a study of fire streams and pump operations as they relate to fundamental development of basic firefighter skills. Lab required. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a Fire Academy by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.
Prerequisite: FIRS 1407.

FIRS 1319  Firefighter Certification IV
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of equipment, tactics, and procedures used in forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, and overhaul. Preparation for certification as a basic firefighter. Lab required. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a Fire Academy by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.
Prerequisite: FIRS 1313.

FIRS 1329  Firefighter Certification VI
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02
This course is an overview of Fire Inspection techniques and practices. Emphasis is on fire cause determination. Includes fire protection systems, wild land fire, and pre-incident planning. Preparation for certification as a basic firefighter. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a Fire Academy by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.
Prerequisite: FIRS 1423.

FIRS 1407  Firefighter Certification II
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:06
This course is a study of the basic principles and skill development in handling fire service hose and ladders. Topics include the distribution system of water supply, basic building construction, and emergency service communication, procedures, and equipment. Lab required. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a Fire Academy by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.
Prerequisite: FIRS 1301.

FIRS 1423  Firefighter Certification V
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:04
This course is a study of ropes and knots, rescue procedures and techniques, and hazardous materials. Preparation for certification as a basic firefighter. Lab required. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a Fire Academy by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.
Prerequisite: FIRS 1319.

FIRS 1433  Firefighter Certification VII
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:05
This course is an in-depth study and practice of simulated emergency operations and hands-on fire training exercises, incident command procedures, and combined operations using proper extinguishing methods. Emphasis is on safety. Lab required. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a Fire Academy by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.
Prerequisite: FIRS 1329.

FIRT 1301  Fundamentals of Fire Protection
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course covers orientation to the fire service, career opportunities, and related fields. This course meets Fire and Emergency Services Higher Education (FESHE) Model Curriculum core requirements.
Prerequisite: None.

FIRT 1309  Fire Administration I
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to the organization and management of a fire department and the relationship of government agencies to the fire service.
Prerequisite: None.
**Health and Medical Administrative Services**

**HITT 1166 Coding Practicum**
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. Prerequisite: Permission from the department and completion of all course work within the specialty with a grade of "C" or better.

**HITT 1167 Capstone: Practicum**
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:08
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. Prerequisite: Permission from the department and completion of all course work within the specialty with a grade of "C" or better.

**HITT 1211 Health Information Systems**
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to health IT standards, health-related data structures, software applications and enterprise architecture in health care and public health. Prerequisite: None.

**HITT 1253 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Information**
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course teaches concepts of confidentiality, ethics, health care legislation, and regulations relating to the maintenance and use of health information. Prerequisite: None.

**HITT 1255 Health Care Statistics**
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:02
This course focuses on general principles of health care statistics with emphasis in hospital statistics. Also included is skill development in computation and calculation of health data. Prerequisite: HITT 1301.

**HITT 1301 Health Data Content and Structure**
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is an introduction to systems and processes for collecting, maintaining, and disseminating primary and secondary health related information. Instruction in delivery and organizational structure to include content of health record, documentation requirements, registries, indices, licensing, regulatory agencies, forms, and screens. Prerequisite: None.

**HITT 1305 Medical Terminology I**
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of medical terms through word origin and structure through the introduction of prefixes, suffixes, root words, plurals, abbreviations and symbols, surgical procedures, medical specialties, and diagnostic procedures. Prerequisite: None.

**HITT 1341 Coding and Classification Systems**
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course focuses on the fundamentals of coding rules, principles, guidelines, and conventions using clinical classification systems. Prerequisite: HITT 1301 and HITT 1305, or MDCA 1321 and MDCA 1343.

**HITT 1345 Health Care Delivery Systems**
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is an examination of delivery systems including organization, financing, accreditation, licensure, and regulatory agencies. Prerequisite: HITT 1301.

**HITT 1349 Pharmacology**
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an overview of the basic concepts of the pharmacological treatment of various diseases affecting major body systems. Prerequisite: HITT 1305 and completion of, or concurrent enrollment in, HPRS 2301.

**HITT 2166 Practicum I**
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. Prerequisite: Permission from the Department; HITT 1301 and HITT 1253.
Current Procedural Organization and Supervision
Health Information Methodologies
Coding and Reimbursement

Capstone: Practicum II
This course covers principles of ambulatory coding using CPT-4 procedures and the use of HCPSCS (Health Care Financing Administration: Common Procedure Coding System).
Prerequisite: HITT 1301, HITT 1305, and completion of or concurrent enrollment in HPRS 2301.

HITT 2372 Advanced CPT Coding-CPT4
This course focuses on the development of advanced CPT coding techniques with an emphasis on case studies, health records, and methods of reimbursement.
Prerequisite: HITT 2371.

HPRS 2301 Pathophysiology
This course is a study of the pathology and general health management of diseases and injuries across the life span. Topics include etiology, symptoms, and the physical and psychological reactions to diseases and injuries.
Prerequisite: HITT 1305 or Program Chair approval.

MRMT 1307 Medical Transcription I
This course focuses on the fundamentals of medical transcription with hands-on experience in transcribing physician dictation including basic reports such as history and physicals, discharge summaries, consultations, operative reports, and other medical reports. Utilizes technology compatible with industry standards. Designed to develop speed and accuracy.
Prerequisite: HITT 1305 or concurrent enrollment, and word processing skills.

MRMT 2166 Practicum
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: Permission from the department and completion of all course work within the specialty with a grade of "C" or better.

MRMT 2333 Medical Transcription II
This course focuses on transcription of medical reports with increasing speed and accuracy including history and physicals, consultations, discharge summaries, operative reports, and other medical reports.
Prerequisite: MRMT 1307 and concurrent enrollment in HITT 1349.

POFM 1317 Medical Administrative Support
This course is instruction in medical office procedures including appointment scheduling, medical records creation and maintenance, telephone communications, coding, billing, collecting, and third party reimbursement.
Prerequisite: None.

HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION TECHNOLOGY

HART 1401 Basic Electricity for HVAC
This course covers principles of electricity as required by HVAC, including proper use of test equipment, electrical circuits, and component theory and operation.
Prerequisite: None.

HART 1407 Refrigeration Principles
This course is an introduction to the refrigeration cycle, heat transfer theory, temperature/pressure relationship, refrigerant handling, refrigeration components and safety.
Prerequisite: None.

HART 1410 HVAC Shop Practices and Tools
This course covers tools and instruments used in the HVAC industry. It includes proper application, use and care of these tools, and tubing and piping practices.
Prerequisite: None.

HART 1445 Gas and Electrical Heating
This course is the study of the procedures and principles used in servicing heating systems including gas fired furnaces and electric heating systems.
Prerequisite: HART 1401, HART 1407, HART 1410.

HART 2421 Advanced Electricity
This course is advanced electrical instruction and skill building in installation and servicing of air conditioning and refrigeration equipment, including detailed
HART 2434 Advanced Air Conditioning Controls
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:04
This course is a study in the theory and application of automation controls, electrical control devices, electromechanical controls, and/or pneumatic controls.
Prerequisite: HART 1401, HART 1407, HART 1445, HART 2431, HART 2445.

HART 2441 Commercial Air Conditioning
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:04
This is a study of components, applications, and installation of air conditioning systems with capacities of 25 tons or less.
Prerequisite: HART 1401, HART 1407, HART 1445, HART 2431, HART 2445.

HART 2442 Commercial Refrigeration
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:04
Theory of and practical application in the maintenance of commercial refrigeration; medium and low temperature applications and ice machines are introduced in this course.
Prerequisite: HART 1401, HART 1407, HART 1445, HART 2431, HART 2445.

HART 2443 Industrial Air Conditioning
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:04
A study of components, accessories, applications, and installation of air conditioning systems above 25 tons capacity will be presented.
Prerequisite: HART 1401, HART 1407, HART 1445, HART 2431, HART 2445, HART 2434, HART 2444, HART 2441, HART 2442.

HART 2445 Air Conditioning Systems Design
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:04
This course is a study of the properties of air and results of cooling, heating, humidifying or dehumidifying; heat gain and heat loss calculations including equipment selection, duct fabrication, and balancing the air system.
Prerequisite: HART 1401, HART 1407, HART 1445.

HIST 1301 United States History I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of the United States from the pre-Columbian era to the Civil War/Reconstruction period. United States History I includes the study of pre-Columbian, colonial, revolutionary, early national, slavery and sectionalism, and the Civil War/Reconstruction eras. Themes that may be addressed in United States History I include: American settlement and diversity, American culture, religion, civil and human rights, technological change, economic change, immigration and migration, and creation of the federal government.
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

HIST 1302 United States History II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of the United States from the Civil War/Reconstruction era to the present. United States History II examines industrialization, immigration, world wars, the Great Depression, Cold War and post-Cold War eras. Themes that may be addressed in United States History II include: American culture, religion, civil and human rights, technological change, economic change, immigration and migration, urbanization and suburbanization, the expansion of the federal government, and the study of U.S. foreign policy.
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

HIST 2301 Texas History
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of the political, social, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of Texas from the pre-Columbian era to the present. Themes that may be addressed in Texas History include: Spanish colonization and Spanish Texas; Mexican Texas; the Republic of Texas; statehood and secession; oil, industrialization, and urbanization; civil rights; and modern Texas.
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

HIST 2311 Western Civilization I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides a survey of the major political, economic, cultural and intellectual history of Europe through the Reformation. Emphasis will be placed on the contributions of Ancient Mesopotamia, Egypt, Greece and Rome to the Western world, the fall of Rome, the Byzantine Empire, the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. Students will be expected to show an understanding of the knowledge presented in the course, as well as proficiency in thinking critically about historical issues.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

HIST 2312 Western Civilization II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is the continuation of Western Civilization I to the present. This will include momentous economic, political, social and intellectual issues and events such as the Renaissance and Reformation, European expansion, the Enlightenment, the age of democratic revolutions, the height of Western Civilization prior to World War I, and the gradual decline of western hegemony in the world in the 20th century. Students will be expected to show an understanding of the knowledge presented in the course, as well as proficiency in thinking critically about historical issues.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

HIST 2321 World Civilizations I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of ancient and medieval history with emphasis on Asian, African, American and European cultures.
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

HIST 2322 World Civilizations II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, religious, and intellectual history of the world from the 15th century to the present. The course examines major cultural regions of the world in Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe,
HUMANITIES I - Western Introduction to Academic Cooperative

This stand-alone course is an interdisciplinary survey of cultures focusing on the philosophical and aesthetic factors in human values with an emphasis on the historical development of the individual and society and the need to create. The emphasis of this course will be on the historical development and interplay of the arts, literature, philosophy, and religion in selected western cultures. Prerequisite: TSI Exempt or TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent.

**HUMA 1302 Introduction to Humanities II - Non-Western**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This stand-alone course is an interdisciplinary survey of cultures focusing on the philosophical and aesthetic factors in human values with an emphasis on the historical development of the individual and society and the need to create. The emphasis of this course will be on the historical development and interplay of the arts, literature, philosophy, and religion in selected non-western cultures. Prerequisite: HUMA 1301.

**HUMA 1305 Introduction to Mexican-American Studies**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This course is an interdisciplinary survey which examines the different cultural, artistic, economic, historical, political, and social aspects of the Mexican-American/Chicano/a communities. It also covers issues such as dispossession, immigration, transnationalism, and other topics that have shaped the Mexican-American experience. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**HUMA 1311 Mexican-American Fine Arts Appreciation**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This course is an exploration of the purposes and processes in the visual and performing arts (such as music, painting, drama, and dance) and the ways in which they express the values of the Mexican-American/Chicano/a experience. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**HUMA 1315 Fine Arts Appreciation**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This course is an exploration of the purposes and processes in the visual and performing arts (such as music, painting, architecture, drama, and dance) and the ways in which they express the values of cultures and human experience. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**HUMA 2319 American Minority Studies**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This interdisciplinary survey examines the diverse cultural, artistic, economic, historical, political, and social aspects of American minority communities. Topics may include race/ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic class, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, and religion. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**HUMA 2323 World Cultures**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This course is a general study of diverse world cultures. Topics include cultural practices, social structures, religions, arts, and languages. Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

**HRPO 1280 Human Resource Coop**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:10 This is a work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills and concepts. A learning plan is developed by the College and the employer. Prerequisite: Approval of Internship Coordinator.

**HRPO 1302 Human Resources Training and Development**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This course provides an overview of the human resource development function specifically concentrating on the training and development component. Topics include training as related to organizational missions and goals: budgeting, assessment, design, delivery, evaluation, and justification of training, including distance and virtual education. Prerequisite: None.

**HRPO 1305 Management and Labor Relations**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 This course covers the development and structure of the labor movement including labor legislation, collective bargaining, societal impact, labor/management relationships, and international aspects. Prerequisite: None.

**HRPO 1306 Basic Mediator Training**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00 Topics in this course include history of mediation, Alternative Dispute Resolution legislation in Texas, conflict resolution theory, mediation theory and practice, mediation
process and techniques, self-awareness and ethics.  
Prerequisite: None.

HRPO 1311 Human Relations  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course provides practical application of the principles and concepts of the behavioral sciences to interpersonal relationships in the business and industrial environment.  
Prerequisite: None.

HRPO 2188 Internship Human Resource Management  
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:08  
This is a work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills and concepts. A learning plan is developed by the College and the employer.  
Prerequisite: Approval of Internship Coordinator.

HRPO 2301 Human Resources Management  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
Behavioral and legal approaches to the management of human resources in organizations are studied in this course.  
Prerequisite: None.

HRPO 2303 Employment Practices  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is a study of employment issues including techniques for human resource forecasting, selection, and placement including interview techniques, pre-employment testing, and other predictors. Topics include recruitment methods, the selection process, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), EEO record keeping and Affirmative Action Plans.  
Prerequisite: None.

HRPO 2304 Employee Relations  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is an examination of employee relations, policies, practices, and issues required to build strong employee relations. Topics include communications, employee conduct rules, performance appraisal methods, Title VII, Federal Medical Leave Act, Fair Labor Standards Act, and Americans with Disabilities Act updates.  
Prerequisite: HRPO 1305.

HRPO 2306 Benefits and Compensation  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is an overview of employee compensation systems. Topics include compensation systems, direct and indirect compensation, internal and external determination of compensation, benefits administration, managing and evaluating for effectiveness, legal and regulatory issues, pay equity, job analysis affecting job compensation and competencies.  
Prerequisite: HRPO 2301.

HRPO 2307 Organizational Behavior  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course includes the analysis and application of organizational theory, group dynamics, motivation theory, leadership concepts and the integration of interdisciplinary concepts from the behavioral sciences.  
Prerequisite: HRPO 2301.

HRPO 2331 International Human Resource Management  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is a study of the effects of globalization on human resource management.  
Prerequisite: HRPO 2301, HRPO 2303.

HRPO 2371 Human Resources Laws  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course includes an in depth view of laws and legal issues related to employment practices.  
Prerequisite: HRPO 2301, HRPO 2303.

HRPO 2372 Risk Management  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is an overview of issues related to identification, assessment and prioritization of risks in the workplace.  
Prerequisite: HRPO 2301, HRPO 2303.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

ARTC 1413 Digital Publishing I  
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03  
This course is the study of the fundamentals of using digital layout as a primary publishing tool and the basic concepts and terminology associated with typography and page layout.  
Prerequisite: ITSC 1409.

IMED 1445 Interactive Digital Media I  
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03  
This course is the exploration of the use of graphics and sound to create interactive digital media applications and/or animations using industry standard authoring software.  
Prerequisite: ITSC 1409.

ITDF 1400 Introduction to Digital Forensics  
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03  
This course is a study of the application of digital forensic technology to collect, analyze, document, and present information while maintaining a documented chain of custody. It contains an overview of ethics, crime, and other legal guidelines/regulations/laws and includes an overview of tools used for forensic analysis of digital devices in investigations.  
Prerequisite: None.

ITDF 1405 Digital Data Storage Forensics  
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03  
This course covers the exploration, examination, and assessment of the characteristics and details of digital storage media used in computers systems and small-scale digital devices. It includes experimenting with various tools to reinforce identification of evidentiary data.  
Prerequisite: ITSY 1400.

ITDF 2420 Digital Forensics Collection  
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03  
This course is a study of acquiring digital evidence from devices, networks and logs while preserving the evidentiary chain. It includes the legal aspects of the search and seizure of computers and related equipment/information.  
Prerequisite: ITDF 1405, ITNW 1454 and ITNW 2421.

ITDF 2425 Digital Forensics Tools  
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03  
This course is a skills-based course in the applications of forensic analysis software. Tools used in this course may include EnCase, iLook, Forensic Tool Kit, write blockers, StegAwaySS, “X-Ways”, ProDiscover Basic, and others.  
Prerequisite: ITDF 1405, ITNW 1454 and ITNW 2421.

ITDF 2430 Digital Forensics Analysis  
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03  
This course covers digital forensic analysis, report preparation, and evidence presentation. It emphasizes balancing legal and technical aspects of cases where digital forensics is employed.  
Prerequisite: ITDF 2420 and ITDF 2425.
ITNW 1425 Fundamentals of Networking Technologies
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course provides instruction in networking technologies and their implementation. Topics will include the OSI reference model, network protocols, transmission media, and networking hardware and software.
Prerequisite: None.

ITNW 1454 Implementing and Supporting Servers
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This is a course in the development of skills necessary to implement, administer, and troubleshoot information systems that incorporate servers in a networked computing environment.
Prerequisite: ITSY 1400 or ITNW 1425.

ITNW 2164 Capstone: Network Practicum
CRT HRS.01 LEC HRS.00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS.10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: ITSY 1400, ITNW 2435, and ITSY 1442.

ITNW 2421 Networking with TCP/IP
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course will prepare the student to set up, configure, use, and support Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) on networking operating systems.
Prerequisite: ITNW 1425.

ITNW 2435 Network Troubleshooting and Support
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
In this course the student is provided instruction in the techniques used to troubleshoot and support networks with emphasis on solving real world problems in a hands-on environment. Topics will include troubleshooting and research techniques, available resources, and network management hardware/software.
Prerequisite: ITNW 2421 and ITNW 1454.

ITNW 2453 Advanced Routing and Switching
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
The focus of this course is on advanced concepts for the implementation, operation, and troubleshooting of switched and routed environments. It emphasizes advanced routing protocols, Multi-Protocol Label Switching (MPLS), and advanced security.
Prerequisite: ITSY 1442.

ITSC 1405 Introduction to PC Operating Systems
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course is a study of personal computer operating systems. Topics include installation and configuration, file management, memory and storage management, control of peripheral devices, and use of utilities.
Prerequisite: None.

ITSC 1407 Unix Operating System I
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.04
This course is the study of the UNIX operating system including multi-user concepts, terminal emulation, use of system editor, basic UNIX commands, and writing script files. Topics include introductory systems management concepts.
Prerequisite: ITNW 1425.

ITSC 1409 Integrated Software Applications I
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
In this course the student will learn integration of applications from popular business productivity software suites. There will also be instruction in embedding data, linking and combining documents using word processing, spreadsheets, databases, and/or presentation media software.
Prerequisite: None.

ITSC 1425 Personal Computer Hardware
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course is a study of current personal computer hardware including personal computer assembly and upgrade, setup and configuration, and troubleshooting.
Prerequisite: None.

ITSC 2164 Capstone: Digital Forensics Practicum
CRT HRS.01 LEC HRS.00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS.10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: ITDF 2425 and ITDF 2420.

ITSC 2165 Capstone: Systems Administration Practicum
CRT HRS.01 LEC HRS.00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS.10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: ITNW 1454 and ITNW 2421.

ITSC 2346 Computer Center Management
CRT HRS.03 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.00
This course instructs the student in assessing the needs of a computing center as well as the general principles of hardware and software acquisition, maintenance, licensing, and improving usage scheduling. Emphasis is placed on interpersonal communication and management skills.
Prerequisite: ITNW 2435 or ITSY 2441.

ITSC 2349 Personal Computer Help Desk
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course instructs the student in the diagnosis and solution of user hardware and software related problems with on-the-job and/or simulated projects.
Prerequisite: ITNW 1454.

ITSE 1411 Beginning Web Page Programming
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course provides skill development in web page programming including mark-up and scripting languages.
Prerequisite: None.

ITSE 1431 Introduction to Visual Basic Programming
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course is an introduction to computer programming using Visual BASIC. Emphasis is placed on the fundamentals of structured design, development, testing, implementation, and documentation. Topics will also include language syntax, data and file structures, input/output devices, and files.
Prerequisite: ITSC 1409.

ITSE 2409 Database Programming
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
In this course the student will learn database development using database programming techniques emphasizing database structures, modeling, and database access.
Prerequisite: ITSC 1409.

ITSW 1410 Introduction to Presentation Graphics Software
CRT HRS.04 LEC HRS.03 LAB HRS.03
This course provides instruction in the utilization of presentation software to produce multimedia presentations. Graphics, text,
Students will learn to gather and evaluate evidence to perform postmortem analysis of a security breach.

Prerequisite: ITSY 1400 and ITNW 1425.

POFI 2431
Desktop Publishing
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course includes in-depth coverage of desktop publishing terminology, text editing, and the use of design principles. Emphasis is placed on layout techniques, graphics, multiple page displays, and business applications.

Prerequisite: ITSC 1409.

KINESIOLOGY

◆ KINE 1100
Fitness Walking
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This introductory physical activity course focuses on the aerobic sport of brisk, rhythmic, vigorous walking, intended to improve cardiovascular efficiency, strengthen the heart, control weight, and reduce stress.

Prerequisite: None.

◆ KINE 1105
Badminton
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This introductory physical activity course focuses on the basic principles, concepts, fundamental skills and applications of cardiovascular training and conditioning. Students are introduced to individual aerobic fitness activities, including walking, jogging, running, biking, etc. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing a basic cognitive understanding of the related aspects of exercise science, enhancing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.

Prerequisite: KINE 1103 or permission from the Instructor.

◆ KINE 1107
Basketball I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This introductory physical activity course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies of the (team) sport of basketball. Students are introduced to basketball history, terminology, rules, individual skills (dribbling, passing, shooting, guarding, etc.) and half-court team play (offense & defense). Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.

Prerequisite: None.
Course Descriptions

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**KINE 1109**  
Bowling I  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This introductory physical activity course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies of the sport of bowling. Students are introduced to bowling history, terminology, rules, scoring, basic individual skills (ball selection, the grip, arm/foot positioning, the approach, arm back swing, forward arm swing, release, follow through, etc.) and competitive play. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: None.

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**KINE 1110**  
Bowling II  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This physical activity course focuses on the advanced knowledge and applications of the sport of bowling, including team play and competition. Emphasis is placed on safety, enhanced skill development, advanced training/conditioning drills, sport/fitness assessments, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: KINE 1109 or permission from the Instructor.

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**KINE 1111**  
Flag Football I  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This introductory physical activity course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies of the sport of flag football. Students are introduced to flag football history, terminology, rules, scoring, basic individual skills (passing, receiving, running plays, blocking, defending, kicking, punting, etc.) and team play. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: KINE 1109 or permission from the Instructor.

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**KINE 1112**  
Flag Football II  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This physical activity course focuses on the advanced knowledge and applications of the sport of flag football. Students are introduced to flag football history, terminology, rules, scoring, basic individual skills (passing, receiving, running plays, blocking, defending, kicking, punting, etc.) and team play. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: KINE 1111 or permission from the Instructor.

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**KINE 1113**  
Golf I  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This introductory physical activity course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies of the sport of golf. Basic golf skills will be addressed (proper grip, stance, posture, full swing, putting and approach shots). The course is conducted at the driving range.  
Prerequisite: None.

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**KINE 1114**  
Golf II  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This physical activity course focuses on the advanced knowledge and applications of the sport of golf, including special shots/conditions, sand/rough play, strategies to improve the golf score/handicap, playing 18 holes of golf, and competitive play. Emphasis is placed on safety, enhanced skill development, advanced training/conditioning drills, selection of equipment, club play, sport/fitness assessments, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: KINE 1113 or permission from the Instructor.

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**KINE 1115**  
Karate I  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This introductory physical activity course focuses on the basic principles, concepts, fundamental skills, and applications of the discipline of karate. Students are introduced to karate history, terminology, customs, basic skills (breathing, stances, blocks, falls, roles, punches, strikes, kicks, smashes, etc.) fundamental strategies/tactics, and kata. Emphasis is placed on safety, conditioning, enhancing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: None.

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**KINE 1116**  
Karate II  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This physical activity course focuses on the advanced knowledge and applications of the discipline of karate training, including kata, sparring, weapons, conditioning, etc. Emphasis is placed on safety, enhanced cognitive/skill development, advanced training/conditioning regimens, fitness evaluations, belt ranking requirements, and kumite competitions. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: KINE 1115 or permission from the Instructor.

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**KINE 1119**  
Racquetball I  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This introductory physical activity course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies of the sport of racquetball. Students are introduced to racquetball history, terminology, rules, scoring, basic individual skills (strokes, serves, returns, smash, kill shot, wall/multi-wall shots, etc.)—while playing singles. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: None.

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**KINE 1120**  
Racquetball II  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This physical activity course focuses on the advanced knowledge and applications of the sport of racquetball, including advanced shots, doubles play/strategies, cut throat play, and competitive (tournament) play. Emphasis is placed on safety, enhanced skill development, advanced training/conditioning drills, sport/fitness assessments, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: KINE 1119 or permission from the Instructor.

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**KINE 1121**  
Soccer I  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This introductory physical activity course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies of the sport of soccer. Students are introduced to soccer history, terminology, rules, scoring, basic individual skills (dribbling, shielding, turning, kicking, juggling, receiving, heading, goal keeping, throwing, catching, etc.) and team play. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: KINE 1120 or permission from the Instructor.

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**KINE 1122**  
Soccer II  
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  LAB HRS:03  
This physical activity course focuses on advanced knowledge and applications of the sport of soccer. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.  
Prerequisite: KINE 1121 or permission from the Instructor.
and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1123** Softball I
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This introductory physical activity focuses on fundamental knowledge and skills of softball. Students are introduced to softball history, terminology, rules, scoring, basic individual skills (throwing, catching, hitting, fielding, etc.) and team play. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1125** Swimming I
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This introductory physical activity course focuses on the basic principles, concepts, fundamental skills, and applications of swimming. Students are introduced to basic individual skills, including various strokes and kicks, breathing, turning, etc. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing a basic cognitive understanding of the related aspects of exercise science, enhancing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1126** Swimming II
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This physical activity course focuses on the advanced knowledge and applications of swimming. Emphasis is placed on safety, enhanced cognitive/skill development, advanced training/conditioning regimens, fitness evaluations, and comprehensive fitness program development. Promoting the activity as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed. Prerequisite: KINE 1125 or permission from the Instructor.

- **KINE 1127** Tennis I
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This introductory physical activity course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies of the (team) sport of tennis. Students are introduced to tennis history, terminology, rules, individual skills (foot positioning, strokes, serves, returns, volleys, etc.), and singles play. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1128** Tennis II
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This physical activity course focuses on the advanced knowledge and applications of the (team) sport of tennis, including backhand strokes, smash, drop shot, power shot, power serve, doubles play, etc. Emphasis is placed on safety, enhanced skill development, advanced training/conditioning drills, sport/fitness assessments, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed. Prerequisite: KINE 1127 or permission from the Instructor.

- **KINE 1129** Volleyball I
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This introductory physical activity course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies of the sport of volleyball. Students are introduced to volleyball history, terminology, rules, scoring, basic individual skills (serving, passing, setting, blocking, hitting, etc.) and team play. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1130** Outdoor Adventure Training
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This introductory physical activity and adventure training course focuses on the basic principles, concepts, fundamental skills, and applications of outdoor adventure training. Students are introduced to various outdoor adventure training activities, such as backpacking, hiking, orienteering, camping, survival skills, competitive adventure activities, etc. Emphasis is placed on physical conditioning, exploring associated educational resources, and promoting the activities as enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavors. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1131** Yoga and Flexibility Training
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This introductory physical activity course focuses on the basic principles, concepts, fundamental skills, and applications of the discipline of yoga. Students are introduced to yoga history, terminology, philosophy, flexibility training, basic yoga postures, breathing/relaxation techniques, musculoskeletal anatomy/physiology, etc. Emphasis is placed on exploring associated educational resources and promoting the activity as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1132** Self Defense and Personal Safety
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This introductory physical activity course focuses on the basic principles, concepts, fundamental skills, and applications of the discipline of self-defense. Students are introduced to self-defense history, terminology, applicable statistics, basic self-defense skills, fundamental strategies/tactics, physical conditioning techniques/applications, and first aid techniques, etc. Emphasis is placed on the exploration and identification of associated self-defense resources. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1133** Outdoor Adventure Training
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This introductory physical activity and adventure training course focuses on the basic principles, concepts, fundamental skills, and applications of outdoor adventure training. Students are introduced to various outdoor adventure training activities, such as backpacking, hiking, orienteering, camping, survival skills, competitive adventure activities, etc. Emphasis is placed on physical conditioning, exploring associated educational resources, and promoting the activities as enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavors. Prerequisite: None.

- **KINE 1149** Team Sports I
  CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
  This specialized physical activity course focuses on advanced knowledge, skills, and strategies of competitive team sports. Emphasis is placed on teamwork, leadership development, cultural growth, moral growth, physical development, social development and intellectual development. Promoting the competitive activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed. Prerequisite: None.
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**Aerobic Dance I**
This specialized physical activity course focuses on advanced knowledge, skills, and strategies of competitive team sports. Emphasis is placed on teamwork, leadership development, cultural growth, moral growth, physical development, social development and intellectual development. Promoting the competitive activity (sport) as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.
Prerequisite: None.

**KINE 1164 Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness**
This course is an orientation to the field of physical fitness and sport. It includes the study and practice of activities and principles that promote physical fitness.
Prerequisite: None.

**KINE 1210 Aerobic Dance I**
This introductory physical activity course focuses on the fundamental skills and applications of aerobic dance. Students are introduced to various forms of aerobic dance, including low impact step, low impact slide, etc. Emphasis is placed on safety, developing psychomotor skills, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. Promoting the activity as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.
Prerequisite: None.

**KINE 1211 Aerobic Dance II**
This physical activity course focuses on the advanced knowledge and applications of aerobic dance training, including a combination of advanced moves and the integration of various types of aerobic dance. Emphasis is placed on safety, enhanced skill development, advanced training/conditioning regimens, fitness evaluations, exploring associated educational resources, and developing choreographed routines. Promoting the activity as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor is stressed.
Prerequisite: KINE 1210 or permission from the instructor.

**KINE 1249 Ballet Folklorico I**
This introductory dance course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skill and applications of Mexican Folklorico dance. Students are introduced to Mexican Folklorico dance techniques, individual skills, and movement fundamentals. The course offers attainment of vocabulary, knowledge and skill development in classical Cecchetti ballet technique at the beginning level. It is designed to develop posture, hand positioning, feet positioning, body isolations and overall coordination. These ballet skills will be incorporated in Mexican Folklorico dance. Emphasis is placed on safety, cognitive, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. The course promotes the discipline as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor.
Prerequisite: None.

**KINE 1250 Ballet Folklorico II**
This course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skill and applications of Mexican Folklorico dance. Students are introduced to Mexican Folklorico dance terminology, techniques, individual skills, movement fundamentals, improvisation, and choreography. The course will continue to offer knowledge and skill development in the basics of classical Cecchetti ballet technique at the beginning and intermediate levels. Emphasis will be placed on correct alignment, basic barre work, simple center floor work and ballet vocabulary which will be incorporated into Mexican Folklorico dance. Emphasis is placed on safety, cognitive, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. The course promotes the discipline as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor.
Prerequisite: KINE 1249 or permission from the instructor.

**KINE 1301 Foundations of Kinesiology**
This course provides an orientation to the field of kinesiology, its scope, organization of professional activities, vocational opportunities and professional qualifications.
Prerequisite: None.

**KINE 1304 Personal/Community Health I**
This course is a survey of factors involved in human physical and psychological wellness. Disorders arising from mutagenic, teratogenic infections, environment and lifestyle behaviors will be studied.
Prerequisite: None.

**KINE 1306 First Aid**
This course provides basic knowledge for safe and effective living. The essential aspects of home, work, motor vehicle and public safety will be covered. Both theoretical and practical aspects of emergency care will be included. Standard First Aid, Personal Safety and Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) are covered. Certification upon completion of the course is based upon American Red Cross standards.
Prerequisite: None.

**KINE 1307 Coaching/Sports/Athletics I**
This course provides an introduction to the theory, strategy, terminology, rules and applications of sports officiating for team sports with certification as the intended outcome. Emphasis is placed on the importance of physical conditioning and increasing student knowledge/appreciation of basketball, football, baseball, softball, and other appropriate sports. Promoting the course as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational avocation is stressed.
Prerequisite: None.

**KINE 1321 Physical Education for Elementary Education Majors**
This course covers physical education for elementary education majors. It includes an orientation to the field of kinesiology, physical fitness and sport, vocational opportunities, and a detailed...
analysis of fundamental principles, content, and curriculum of the elementary school kinesiology program.

Prerequisite: None.

KINE 1336 Introduction to Recreation I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the fundamental theory and concepts of recreational activities with an emphasis on skill development, programs, planning, fitness and leadership. Emphasis will be on backpacking, cycling, orienteering, swimming, and rock climbing.

Prerequisite: Kinesiology majors only.

KINE 1338 Concepts of Physical Fitness
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the concepts and use of selected physiological variables of fitness, individual testing and consultation and the organization of sports and fitness programs.

Prerequisite: Kinesiology majors only.

KINE 1346 Drug Use & Abuse
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course focuses on the study of the use and abuse of drugs and other harmful substances in today’s society from historical and contemporary perspectives. Emphasis is placed on the physiological, sociological, economic, psychological, medical, ethical, and legal factors associated with substance abuse. Particular attention and study will be devoted to the impact of alcohol, tobacco, narcotics, and sports enhancement drugs on various segments of society. An overview of intervention and treatment programs will also be explored.

Prerequisite: None.

KINE 2249 Ballet Folklorico III
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:02
This course focuses on fundamental knowledge, skill and applications of Mexican Folklorico dance. Students are introduced to Mexican Folklorico dance history, terminology, theory, criticism, techniques, individual skills, movement fundamentals, improvisation, choreography, and music selection. The course offers continued attainment of knowledge and skill development in classical Cecchetti ballet technique at the intermediate level. It is designed to develop control, balance, strength, quality of movement and ballet vocabulary which will be incorporated in Mexican Folklorico dance. Emphasis is placed on safety, cognitive, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. The course promotes the discipline as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor.

Prerequisite: KINE 1250 or permission from the instructor.

KINE 2250 Ballet Folklorico IV
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:02
This course is a continuation of the study of Mexican Folklorico dance technique with a strong emphasis on performing skills and styles. This course is an advanced Ballet Folklorico performing class. Students taking this course are members of the South Texas College Ballet Folklorico. Membership is obtained by taking the Ballet Folklorico sequence or by invitation of the instructor. This course emphasizes Ballet Folklorico dance concert performances, as well as public and private performances. Students continue to study Mexican Folklorico theory, criticism, techniques, individual skills, improvisation, choreography, and music selection. The Cecchetti ballet technique is incorporated in the repertoire of the South Texas College Ballet Folklorico. Emphasis is placed on safety, cognitive, reinforcing and integrating the components of fitness/wellness, and exploring associated educational resources. The course promotes the discipline as an enjoyable, practical and viable life-long fitness or recreational endeavor.

Prerequisite: KINE 2249 or invitation from the instructor.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

CJLE 1194 Current Events in Law Enforcement
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:00
This course discusses topics recently identified as current events in addition to skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes and behaviors pertinent to the technology or occupation and relevant to the professional development of the student. This course was designed to be repeated multiple times to improve student proficiencies.

Prerequisite: None.

CJLE 1249 Intermediate Arrest, Search, and Seizure
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course discusses probable cause; detention and arrest; exceptions to search warrant requirements; principles of preparing valid search warrants; pretrial suppression hearings; and civil liability for improper arrests, searches, and seizures.

Prerequisite: CRJ 1306 or CJSA 1313.

CJLE 1259 Intermediate Spanish for Law Enforcement
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:04
This course covers practical Spanish communication skills for law enforcement. It meets the requirements as established by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCLEOSE) Course #2110.

Prerequisite: None.

CJLE 1303 Basic Telecommunication Certification
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides information about Law Enforcement functions, history of public safety communications, federal laws regulating public safety communications, radio communication systems, radio operations, fire and EMS dispatch considerations, telephone operations, law enforcement information systems, communication records, logs and documentation, legal issues, emergency management, police emergency situations, 9-1-1/computer aided dispatch, media relations, stress management, and crisis intervention. This is also a required course for law enforcement telecommunication personnel prior to completion of 12 months of service.

Prerequisite: None.

CJLE 1325 Criminal Justice Survey
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides an overview of criminal justice agencies with an emphasis on preparation for law enforcement licensure.

Prerequisite: None.

CJLE 1327 Interviewing and Report Writing for Criminal Justice Professionals
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course provides instruction and skill development in interviewing, note-taking, and report writing in the criminal justice context. It also includes the development of skills to conduct investigations by interviewing witnesses, victims, and suspects properly. This course also focuses on the organization of
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**MATHEMATICS**

MATH 0100 Developmental Mathematics I
- CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
- This course is a study of fundamental mathematics principles and concepts. Topics include performing basic arithmetic operations on integers, fractions, and decimals; performing calculations involving exponents and order of operations; solving

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**CJLE 1333 Traffic Law and Investigation**
- CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
- This course covers the investigation of traffic violations, traffic law enforcement, court procedures, and traffic law enforcement with an emphasis on the need for a professional approach in dealing with traffic law violators and the role of accident investigation and traffic supervision.

Prerequisite: CJLE 1301 MATH Elective.

**CJLE 1345 Intermediate Crime Scene Investigation**
- CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
- The topics in this course include: objectives, preparations, procedures, and methods of crime scene search; value of crime scene sketches and their relationship to crime scene photographs; fingerprints as physical evidence, fingerprint identification and classification, types of impressions, and techniques for locating and classifying fingerprints as physical evidence, sketching and their relationship to the field of criminalistics. This course should be taken in conjunction with Basic Peace Officer Courses I, II, III, and IV (supplement) to satisfy the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCLEOSE) approved Basic Peace Officer Training Academy. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a police academy by TCLEOSE.

Prerequisite: CJLE 1506.

**CJLE 1518 Basic Peace Officer III**
- CRT HRS:05 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:07
- This course provides basic preparation for a new peace officer. This course should be taken in conjunction with Basic Peace Officer Course I, II, III, and IV (supplement) to satisfy the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCLEOSE) approved Basic Peace Officer Training Academy. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a police academy by TCLEOSE.

Prerequisite: CJLE 1512.

**CJLE 1524 Basic Peace Officer IV**
- CRT HRS:05 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:07
- This course provides basic preparation for a new peace officer. This course should be taken in conjunction with Basic Peace Officer Courses I, II, III, and IV (supplement) to satisfy the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCLEOSE) approved Basic Peace Officer Training Academy. This course may be offered only by institutions licensed as a police academy by TCLEOSE.

Prerequisite: CJLE 1518.

**CJLE 2168 Practicum**
- CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:07
- This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and student.

Prerequisite: CJLE 1345, CJLE 2345.

**CJLE 2345 Vice and Narcotics Investigation**
- CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
- This course provides classifications of commonly used narcotics, dangerous drugs, gambling, sex crimes, fraud, gangs, and investigative techniques. It includes proper interdiction procedures and techniques.

Prerequisite: CRIM 1310 or CJSA 1327, CJLE 1345.

**CJSA 1308 Criminalistics I**
- CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
- This course covers an introduction to the field of criminalistics. Topics include the application of scientific and technical methods in the investigation of crime including location, identification, and handling of evidence for scientific analysis.

Prerequisite: None.

**CJSA 1312 Crime in America**
- CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
- This course covers American crime problems in historical perspective; social and public policy factors affecting crime; impact and crime trends; social characteristics of specific crimes; and prevention of crime.

Prerequisite: None.

**CJSA 1348 Ethics in Criminal Justice**
- CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
- This course discusses ethical philosophies and issues pertaining to the various professions in the criminal justice system. It includes ethical issues emanating from constitutional conflict with public protection and individual rights, civil liberties, and correctional policies.

Prerequisite: None.

**CJSA 1400 Death Investigation I**
- CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
- This course covers concepts, investigations process, scene management, required documentation, and case management for incidences of natural, accidental, and suicidal deaths. Follows the Department of Justice National Guidelines for Death Investigations and meets the criteria for academic credit recognition from the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators.

Prerequisite: None.

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MATH 0100 Developmental Mathematics I
- CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
- This course is a study of fundamental mathematics principles and concepts. Topics include performing basic arithmetic operations on integers, fractions, and decimals; performing calculations involving exponents and order of operations; solving
application problems involving proportions, percent, and fractions; simplifying algebraic expressions and solving linear equations; application problems involving linear models; applying rules of exponents, calculations involving scientific notation, and operations on polynomials. The focus of lab instruction is content reinforcement.

Prerequisite: Placement based on assessment scores or TSI score 336-341. Students see an advisor for special assessment if the TSI score is below 336.

**MATH 0200 Developmental Mathematics II**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03

This course is a study of introductory and intermediate algebra concepts. Topics include graphs of linear equations, in two variables, factorization of polynomials, operations on rational expressions, solving rational equations, radical expressions, rational exponents, quadratic equations and inequalities and their graphs, application problems involving quadratic models, functional notation, and application problems in geometry. The focus of lab instruction is content reinforcement.

Prerequisite: A score of 342+ on the Math portions of the TSI exam or MATH 0080 or MATH 0100 with a grade of "P" or "C" or better, or equivalent.

**MATH 0442 Foundations for Mathematical Reasoning**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03

This course surveys a variety of mathematical topics needed to prepare students for college-level Statistics or Quantitative Reasoning courses. Topics include: numeracy with an emphasis on estimation and fluency with large numbers, operations on fractions, operations on real numbers, evaluating expressions and formulas, rates, ratios, and proportions, percentages, solving equations, inequalities involving fractions and decimals; rules of exponents including scientific notation, graphing equations, linear models; data interpretations including graphs and tables; verbal, algebraic and graphical representations of functions; and exponential models. This course is not for college-level credit. Students in this course are required to take a co-requisite student success course (EDUC 1300-Frameworks for Mathematical and Collegiate Learning).

Prerequisite: None.

**MATH 1316 Plane Trigonometry**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course covers trigonometric functions, identities, equations and applications.

Prerequisite: MATH 1414 with a grade of "C" or better; or a score of 360+ on the Math portion of the TSI exam.

**MATH 1324 Mathematics for Business & Social Sciences**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01

This course covers the application of common algebraic functions, including polynomial, exponential, logarithmic, and rational, to problems in business, economics, and the social sciences are addressed. The applications include mathematics of finance, including simple and compound interest and annuities; systems of linear equations; matrices; linear programming; and probability, including expected value.

Pre-requisite: Meet TSI college-readiness standard for Mathematics; or completion of MATH 0090 or MATH 0200 or MATH 0020 with a grade of "P" or "C" or better, or equivalent.

**MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01

This course covers modern algebra and geometry. Topics include sets, logic, number systems, functions, measurement, geometric concepts, and an introduction to probability and statistics. This course emphasizes real life applications of math.

Pre-requisite: Meet TSI college-readiness standard for Mathematics; or completion of MATH 0090 or MATH 0200 or MATH 0020 with a grade of "P" or "C" or better, or equivalent.

**MATH 1350 Fundamentals of Mathematics I**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course includes concepts of sets, functions, number systems, number theory, and properties of the natural numbers, integers, rational and real number systems with an emphasis on problem solving and critical thinking. This course is designed specifically for students who seek middle grade (4-8) teacher certification.

Prerequisite: MATH 1414 or MATH 1332 with a grade of "C" or better.

**MATH 1351 Fundamentals of Mathematics II**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course includes concepts of geometry, probability, and statistics, as well as applications of algebraic properties of real numbers to concepts of measurement with an emphasis on problem solving and critical thinking. This course is designed specifically for students who seek middle grade (4-8) teacher certification.

Prerequisite: MATH 1350 with a grade of "C" or better.

**MATH 1414 College Algebra**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00

This course is the study of quadratic, polynomial, rational, exponential and logarithmic and exponential functions and includes the study of systems of equations and matrices. The focus of the course is the discovery and application of algebraic techniques, including graphing, to solve related equations. Additional topics may include sequences and series.

Pre-requisite: Meet TSI college-readiness standard for Mathematics; or completion of MATH 0090 or MATH 0200 or MATH 0020 with a grade of "P" or "C" or better, or equivalent.

**MATH 1425 Calculus for Business & Social Sciences**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00

This course is the basic study of limits and continuity, differentiation, optimization and graphing, and integration of elementary functions, with emphasis on applications in business, economics, and social sciences. This course is not a substitute for MATH 2413, Calculus I.

Prerequisite: MATH 1414 or MATH 1324, with a grade of "C" or better; or a score of 360+ on the math portion of the TSI assessment.

**MATH 1442 Elementary Statistical Methods**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00

This course is a presentation and interpretation of data, probability, sampling, correlation and regression, analysis of variance, and use of statistical software.

Pre-requisite: Meet TSI college-readiness standard for Mathematics; or completion of MATH 0090 or MATH 0200 or MATH 0020 with a grade of "P" or "C" or better, or equivalent.

**MATH 2412 Pre-Calculus Math**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:01

This course is the combined study of algebra, trigonometry and other topics needed to prepare students for the study of calculus. Topics include trigonometric functions, inverses, graphs, and identities; vectors; polar and parametric equations; conic sections; partial fractions; linear programming; applications of systems and matrices and may include additional topics such as: sequences and
series, mathematical induction and/or probability.
Prerequisite: MATH 1414 or MATH 1324, with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ MATH 2413
Calculus I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:01
This course covers functions, limits, continuity, differentiation, anti-derivatives, and the definite integral and its applications.
Prerequisite: MATH 1316 or MATH 2412 with a grade of "C" or better; or a 100+ on the College Level Mathematics ACCUPLACER.

◆ MATH 2414
Calculus II
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:01
This course covers derivatives and integrals of transcendental functions, integration methods and applications, infinite sequences and series.
Prerequisite: MATH 2413 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ MATH 2415
Calculus III
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:01
This course covers the study of vectors, calculus of several variables, partial derivatives, multiple integrals and vector calculus, Divergence Theorem and Stokes' Theorem.
Prerequisite: MATH 2414 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ MATH 2418
Linear Algebra
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00
This course introduces and provides models for application of the concepts of vector algebra. Topics include finite dimensional vector spaces and their geometric significance; representing and solving systems of linear equations using multiple methods, including Gaussian elimination and matrix inversion; matrices; determinants; linear transformations; quadratic forms; eigenvalues and eigenvector; and applications in science and engineering.
Prerequisite: MATH 2414 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆ MATH 2420
Differential Equations
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to ordinary differential equations, emphasizing solution techniques to first order and special higher order differential equations, initial value problems, boundary value problems, Laplace transforms, series solutions, and applications.
Prerequisite: MATH 2414 with a grade of "C" or better.

MATL 0020
Math Supplementary Lab
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course is designed as a co-requisite for freshman-level math courses taken by students who are not yet college-ready in mathematics according to Texas Success Initiative guidelines. The topics include: factoring, rational expressions, roots, and rational exponents. The topics are integrated in the college-level math course.
Prerequisite: A score of 342+ on the Math portions of the TSI exam or MATH 0085 or MATH 0100 with a grade of "P" or "C" or better or equivalent.

NCBM 0001
Non-Course Based
Mathematics
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
The focus of this course is content reinforcement with review of Introductory and intermediate algebra concepts. Topics include graphs of linear equations in two variables, factorization of polynomials, operations on rational expressions, solving rational equations, radical expressions, rational exponents, quadratic equations and inequalities and their graphs, application problems involving quadratic models, functional notation, and application problems on geometry. This is a self-paced two week course to prepare for the TSI exam.
Prerequisite: Placement based on TSI score of 347-349.

TECM 1303
Technical Calculations
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course is a review of specific mathematical calculations involving fractions, decimals, proportions, perimeters, areas, volumes of geometric figures, and certain algebraic/trigonometric functions, as required by specific businesses, health occupations and industries for successful on-the-job performance.
Prerequisite: None.

TECM 1371
Mathematics for Allied Health
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
Topics in this course include common fractions, decimal numbers, percentages, ratios and proportions, systems of measurements and equivalents, drugs measured in units, intravenous drug administration, and pediatric dosages.
Prerequisite: None.

MHS 3310
Legal Issues in Health Care
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course examines the various federal, state and local laws and regulations affecting health care delivery in the United States. It also covers public and private regulatory agencies, issues associated with professional malpractice, and business liability for health care products and services.
Prerequisite: Junior standing.

MHS 3335
Financial Management for Health Care Managers
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers various health care revenue sources, commonly used health care accounting

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MHSM 3411  Health Care Information Technology

This course introduces the different types of information maintained by health care organizations, commonly used health care software systems, robotic and automation interfaces, basic health care information security system standards, privacy laws, and record archival.

Prerequisite: Senior standing.

MHSM 4304  Risk Management for Health Professionals

This course explores quality assurance measures including Total Quality Management, Continuous Quality Improvement, and Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations standards. Methods and applications for outcomes measures, benchmarking, and utilization management in the health care setting are explored.

Prerequisite: Senior standing.

MHSM 4310  Human Resources in Health Care Management

This course provides an overview of the special considerations of human resources in the health care industry, including job requirements, professional licensure, staffing ratios, job descriptions, traditional and nontraditional labor sources, legal issues and wages, and benefits management.

Prerequisite: Senior standing. MHSM 3310.

MHSM 4348  Ethics for Health Care Professionals

This course is a survey on ethical issues and wages, and nontraditional labor sources, ratios, job descriptions, traditional and nontraditional labor sources, legal issues and wages, and benefits management.

Prerequisite: Senior standing. MHSM 3310.

MHSM 4351  Public and Community Health Management

This course introduces the basic principles of public health, including epidemiology, wellness promotion, vaccination programs, community health education programs, and funding resources.

Prerequisite: Senior standing.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT TECHNOLOGY

MDCA 1166  Practicum I

This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and the student.

Prerequisite: Admission to the program or Program Chair Approval.

MDCA 1167  Practicum II

This course is a continuation of MDCA 1166- Practicum I. It provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and the student.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better and permission from the department.

MDCA 1205  Medical Law & Ethics

This course provides instruction in principles, procedures, and regulations involving legal and ethical relationships among physicians, patients, and medical assistants in ambulatory care settings.

Prerequisite: Admission to the program or Program Chair Approval.

MDCA 1254  Medical Assisting Credentialing Exam Review

This course provides preparation for the Certified Medical Assistant (American Association of Medical Assistants), Registered Medical Assistant (American Medical Technologists) or National Certified Medical Assistant (National Center for Competency Testing) credentialing exam.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better. Note: This course may be taken by students currently enrolled in a CAAHEP (Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs) accredited Medical Assisting Program who are preparing for the Certification exam by the American Association of Medical Assistants. See the Program Chair for details.

MDCA 1317  Procedures in a Clinical Setting

This course places emphasis on patient assessment, examination and treatment as directed by a
physician. It includes vital signs, collection and documentation of patient information, asepsis, office clinical procedures, and other treatments as appropriate for ambulatory care settings.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

**MDCA 1321 Administrative Procedures**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04

This is a course in medical office procedures including appointment scheduling, medical records creation and maintenance, interpersonal communications, bookkeeping tasks, coding, billing, collecting, third party reimbursement, credit arrangements, and computer use in the medical office.

Prerequisite: Admission to the program or Program Chair approval.

**MDCA 1343 Medical Insurance**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04

This course emphasizes medical office coding procedures for payment and reimbursement by patient or third party payers for ambulatory care settings.

Prerequisite: Admission to the program or Program Chair approval.

**MDCA 1348 Pharmacology and Administration of Medications**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04

Instruction in concepts and application of pharmacological principles. Focuses on drug classifications, principles and procedures of medication administration, mathematical systems and conversions, calculation of drug problems, and medico-legal responsibilities of the medical assistant.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

**MDCA 1352 Medical Assistant Laboratory Procedures**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04

Emphasis in this course is on application of governmental health care guidelines and includes specimen collection and handling, quality assurance, and quality control.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

**MDCA 1409 Anatomy and Physiology for Medical Assistants**

CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00

This course places emphasis on normal human anatomy and physiology of cells, tissues, organs, and systems with an overview of common pathophysiology.

Prerequisite: Admission to the program or Program Chair approval.

**MDCA 2266 Capstone: Practicum III**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:16

This course provides advanced practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better and permission from the department.

**PLAB 1223 Phlebotomy for Medical Assistants**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:03

This course provides instruction in the development of skills in the performance of a variety of blood collection methods using proper techniques and universal precautions. Skills and techniques include vacuum collection devices, syringes, capillary skin puncture, butterfly needles and blood culture, and specimen collection on adults, children, and infants. The emphasis is placed on infection prevention, proper patient identification, labeling of specimens and quality assurance, specimen handling, processing, and accessioning. Topics include professionalism, ethics, and medical terminology.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

**MUSIC**

**MUAP 1203 Applied Cello**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02

This course offers private instruction in cello for Music majors. Credit is based on one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1223, 2203 and 2223.

Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

**MUAP 1204 Applied Double Bass**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02

This course offers private instruction in double bass for Music majors. Credit is based on one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1224, 2204 and 2224.

Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

**MUAP 1205 Applied Flute**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02

This course offers private instruction in flute for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1225, 2205 and 2225.

Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

**MUAP 1206 Applied Clarinet**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02

This course offers private instruction in clarinet for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1226, 2206 and 2226.

Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

**MUAP 1207 Applied Saxophone**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02

This course offers private instruction in saxophone for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1227, 2207 and 2227.

Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

**MUAP 1208 Applied Trumpet**

CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02

This course offers private instruction in trumpet for Music majors. Credit
is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1228, 2209 and 2228.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1209
Applied French Horn
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in French horn for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1229, 2209 and 2229.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1210
Applied Trombone
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in trombone for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1230, 2210 and 2230.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1211
Applied Euphonium
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in baritone for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1231, 2211 and 2231.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1212
Applied Oboe
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in oboe for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1232, 2212 and 2232.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1213
Applied Bassoon
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in bassoon for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1233, 2213 and 2233.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1214
Applied Tuba
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in tuba for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1234, 2214 and 2234.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1215
Applied Percussion
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in percussion for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1235, 2215 and 2235.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1216
Applied Guitar
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in guitar for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1236, 2216 and 2236.
Prerequisite: Declared music major or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1217
Applied Piano
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in piano for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1237, 2217 and 2237.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUAP 1218
Applied Voice
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:02
This course offers private instruction in voice for Music majors. Credit is based upon one 50 minute lesson per week and one hour of required daily practice. This course may be repeated as MUAP 1238, 2218 and 2238.
Prerequisite: Declared music majors or by special permission from the program chair.

◆MUEN 1121
Band Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
This is an instrumental music course open to all who play an appropriate instrument. This course may be repeated for a maximum of four credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUEN 1122
Brass Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
This is an instrumental music course open to all who play an appropriate instrument. This course may be repeated for a maximum of four credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUEN 1131
Mariachi Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
This course is open to anyone who can sing and/or play an instrument traditionally used in a Mariachi ensemble. Performances on and off campus are a part of this course. This course may be repeated for a maximum of four credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUEN 1132
Jazz Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
Jazz Ensemble is an instrumental music course open to all students who play an appropriate instrument and who qualify after a simple audition. This course may be repeated for a maximum of four credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUEN 1133
Guitar Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
Guitar Ensemble is a high-level performing ensemble open to all students who qualify after a simple audition. This course may be repeated for a maximum of four credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUEN 1134
String Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
String Ensemble is an instrumental music course open to all students who play an appropriate instrument and who qualify after a simple audition. This course may be repeated for a maximum of four credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUEN 1135
Percussion Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
This is an instrumental music course open to all who play an appropriate instrument. This course
may be repeated for a maximum of
four credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUEN 1136
Woodwind Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
Woodwind Ensemble is an
instrumental music course open to
all students who play an appropriate
instrument and who qualify after a
simple audition. This course may
be repeated for a maximum of four
credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUEN 1141
Choir Ensemble
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
This vocal music course is open
to all who have prior choral
experience or who qualify after a
simple audition. This course may
be repeated for a maximum of four
credit hours.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUSI 1116
Sight Singing and Ear Training I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course involves singing tonal
music in treble, bass, also, and
tenor clefs. Aural study, including
diction of rhythm, melody, and
diatonic harmony is also covered.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading,
or equivalent.
Corequisite: MUSI 1211.

◆MUSI 1117
Sight Singing and Ear Training II
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course is an extension of
the tonal music and aural studies
employed in Sight Singing and Ear
Training I.
Prerequisite: MUSI 1116, TSI complete
in Reading, or equivalent.
Corequisite: MUSI 1212.

◆MUSI 1181
Piano Class I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course provides instruction in
the fundamentals of keyboard
technique for beginning piano
students. No prior instrument skills
are required.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUSI 1182
Piano Class II
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This applied music course
continues exploring the fundamental
techniques of playing the piano.
Prerequisite: MUSI 1181.

◆MUSI 1183
Voice Class I
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course offers class instruction in
the fundamentals of singing
including breathing, tone production,
and diction. It is designed for
students with little or no previous
vocal training.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUSI 1192
Guitar Class
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This applied music course explores
the fundamental techniques of
playing the guitar. No prior skills
are required.
Prerequisite: None.

◆MUSI 1211
Music Theory I
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course involves the analysis
and writing of tonal melody and
diatonic harmony up to and
including 7th chords. Analysis
and writing of small compositional
forms and correlated study at the
keyboard is also included.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading,
or equivalent.
Corequisite: MUSI 1116.

◆MUSI 1212
Music Theory II
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course is an extension of the
analysis and writing of tonal melody
and diatonic harmony employed in
Music Theory I.
Prerequisite: MUSI 1211, TSI complete
in Reading, or equivalent.
Corequisite: MUSI 1117.

◆MUSI 1306
Music Appreciation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course introduces the student
to the elements, forms, and stylistic
eras in music through the study of
cultural periods, major composers,
and music elements.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading,
or equivalent.

◆MUSI 1307
Music Literature
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of the
principal musical forms and cultural
periods as illustrated in the literature
of major composers.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading,
or equivalent.

◆MUSI 1310
American Music
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a general survey of
various styles of music in America.
Topics may include jazz, ragtime,
folk, rock, and contemporary art
music.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading,
or equivalent.

◆MUSI 2116
Sight Singing and Ear Training III
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course involves singing more
difficult tonal music including modal,
ethnic, and 20th century materials.
Aural study, including dictate of
more complex rhythm, melody,
chromatic harmony, and extended
tertian structures is also covered.
Prerequisite: MUSI 1117, TSI complete
In Reading, or equivalent.
Corequisite: MUSI 2211.

◆MUSI 2117
Sight Singing and Ear Training IV
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course is an extension of the
more advanced tonal music and
aural studies employed in Sight
Singing and Ear Training III.
Prerequisite: MUSI 2116, TSI complete
In Reading, or equivalent.
Corequisite: MUSI 2212.

◆MUSI 2181
Piano Class III
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course continues to build more
advanced keyboard techniques for
piano students.
Prerequisite: MUSI 1182.

◆MUSI 2182
Piano Class IV
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:03
This course builds upon the
keyboard techniques learned in the
first three semesters of piano class.
Prerequisite: MUSI 2181.

◆MUSI 2211
Music Theory III
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course contains advanced
harmony part writing and keyboard
analysis and writing of more
advanced tonal harmony,
including chromatics and extended
terterian structures. It includes
an introduction to 20th century
compositional procedures, survey of
the traditional large forms of
compositional and correlated study
at the keyboard.
Prerequisite: MUSI 1212, TSI complete
in Reading, or equivalent.
Corequisite: MUSI 2216.

◆MUSI 2212
Music Theory IV
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course is an extension of the
study of advanced harmony and
compositional procedures employed
in Music Theory III.
Prerequisite: MUSI 2211, TSI complete
in Reading, or equivalent.
Corequisite: MUSI 2217.
Human Structure and Function

Emphasis is placed on the biomechanics of human motion. This course is a study of the musculoskeletal system including skeletal structure, muscles and nerves, and biomechanical assessment procedures. Prerequisite: Acceptance to the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program.

Therapeutic Use of Occupations or Activities I

This course covers various occupations or activities used as therapeutic interventions in occupational therapy. Emphasis is placed on awareness of activity demands, contexts, adapting, grading, and safe implementation of occupations or activities. Prerequisite: Acceptance to the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program.

Therapeutic Interventions I

This course offers instruction in concepts, techniques, and assessments leading to proficiency in skills and activities used as treatment interventions in occupational therapy (OT). Special emphasis is placed on the Occupational Therapy Assistant's role in the OT process. Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.

Clinical-OTA

This course is an introduction to occupational therapy including the historical development and philosophy. Emphasis is placed on the roles of the occupational therapy assistant. Topics include occupation in daily life, education and functions, occupational therapy personnel, current health care environment, and moral, legal and ethical issues. Prerequisite: Completion of and/or concurrent enrollment in all other OTA pre-requisite coursework and permission from the department.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT

OTHA 1253 Occupational Performance for Elders

This course covers occupational performance of elders. It includes frames of reference, assessment/evaluation tools and techniques, and intervention strategies specific to this population. Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.

OTHA 1305 Principles of Occupational Therapy

This course is an introduction to occupational therapy including the historical development and philosophy. Emphasis is placed on the roles of the occupational therapy assistant. Topics include occupation in daily life, education and functions, occupational therapy personnel, current health care environment, and moral, legal and ethical issues. Prerequisite: Completion of and/or concurrent enrollment in all other OTA pre-requisite coursework and permission from the department.

OTHA 1341 Occupational Performance from Birth to Adolescence

This course covers occupational performance of newborns through adolescents. It includes frames of reference, assessment/evaluation tools and techniques, and intervention strategies specific to this population. Prerequisite: Acceptance to the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program.

OTHA 1349 Occupational Performance of Adulthood

This course is a study of occupational performance of adults. It includes frames of reference, assessment/evaluation tools and techniques, and intervention strategies specific to this population. Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.

OTHA 1409 Human Structure and Function in Occupational Therapy

This course is a study of the biomechanics of human motion. Emphasis is placed on the musculoskeletal system including and the client’s physical and psychological reactions to disease and injury. Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.

OTHA 2209 Mental Health in Occupational Therapy

This course is a study of the promotion of mental health through occupational therapy. Emphasis is placed on theory and intervention strategies to enhance occupational performance. Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.

OTHA 2330 Workplace Skills for the OTA

This seminar based course is designed to complement Level II fieldwork by creating a discussion forum addressing events, skills, knowledge, and/or behaviors related to the practice environment. It will include application of didactic coursework to the clinic and test-taking strategies for certification exams. Prerequisite: Completion of all coursework within the program with a grade of "C" or better.

OTHA 2335 Health Care Management in Occupational Therapy

This course explores the roles of the occupational therapy assistant in health care delivery. Emphasis is placed on documentation, reimbursement, credentialing, occupational therapy standards and ethics, health care team role delineation, and management. Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.

OTHA 2366 Capstone: Practicum-OTA (A)

This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and the student. This course is an advanced Level II Fieldwork experience that offers intensive training and experience at the workplace leading to entry-level skills. The emphasis is on practical work experience for which the student has already acquired the theoretical knowledge and basic skills in the classroom setting. The clinical educator provides direct
supervision and learning objectives are established in collaboration with College faculty.
Prerequisite: Completion of all OTHA courses from the previous semester with a grade of "C" or better and permission from the department.

OTHA 2367
Capstone: Practicum-OTA (B)
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:21
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college and the student. This course is an advanced Level II Fieldwork experience that offers intensive training and experience at the workplace leading to entry-level skills. The emphasis is on practical work experience for which the student has already acquired the theoretical knowledge and basic skills in the classroom setting. The clinical educator provides direct supervision and learning objectives are established in collaboration with College Faculty.
Prerequisite: Completion of all OTHA courses from the previous semester with a grade of "C" or better and permission from the department.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

POFI 1340
Spreadsheets
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course provides skill development in concepts, procedures, and application of spreadsheets for business applications.
Prerequisite: None.

POFI 2301
Word Processing
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course provides in-depth coverage of word processing software focusing on business applications.
Prerequisite: POFI 1227 or permission from the department.

POFI 2340
Advanced Word Processing
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is a continuation of the study of word processing including advanced techniques in merging, macros, graphics, and desktop publishing. It includes extensive formatting for technical documents. Emphasis is on business applications.
Prerequisite: POFI 2301.

POFL 1303
Legal Office Procedures I
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of the fundamental administrative duties of the legal administrative assistant, including issues involved in understanding and using social, organizational and technological systems.
Prerequisite: None.

POFL 1340
Legal Office Procedures II
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is a continuation of Legal Office Procedures I that will include legal terminology, theory, forms and procedures, and advanced concepts of administrative duties of the legal administrative assistant in selected areas of law, with applications designed to require students to use critical thinking skills.
Prerequisite: POFL 1303.

POFL 1355
Legal Issues and Medical Records
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course covers the identification of legal issues within medical documents for the legal administrative assistant.
Prerequisite: POFT 1329.

POFL 1359
Legal Transcription
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course covers comprehensive legal vocabulary and the conversion of spoken words into printed format for use in legal documents. It includes organizing and transcribing documents in a law office.
Prerequisite: POFT 1329 and POFT 1301.

POFT 1227
Introduction to Keyboarding
CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:01  LAB HRS:03
This course will teach the student skill development in keyboarding with emphasis on alphabet, number, acceptable speed and accuracy, and symbol keys by touch. Skills can be applied to computers, typewriters, and other equipment with keyboards.
Prerequisite: None.

POFT 1301
Business English
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to a practical application of basic language usage skills with emphasis on fundamentals of writing and editing for business.
Prerequisite: None.

POFT 1309
Administrative Office Procedures I
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of current office procedures including telephone skills, time management, travel and meeting arrangements, mail processing, and other duties and responsibilities in an office environment.
Prerequisite: None.

POFT 1319
Records and Information Management I
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to basic records and information management. It includes the life cycle of a record, manual and electronic records management, and basic filing procedures and rules.
Prerequisite: None.

POFT 1321
Business Math
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course provides the student instruction in the fundamentals of business mathematics including analytical and problem-solving skills for critical thinking in business applications.
Prerequisite: None.
POFT 1328 Business Presentations
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course provides skill development in planning and conducting business presentations in an individual and/or group basis including communication and media skills.
Prerequisite: POFT 1227 or permission from the department.

POFT 1329 Beginning Keyboarding
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course will teach the student skill development in the operation of the keyboard by touch applying proper keyboarding techniques. Emphasis is placed on the development of acceptable speed and accuracy levels and formatting basic documents.
Prerequisite: POFT 1227 or permission from the department.

POFT 1349 Administrative Office Procedures II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course explores advanced office application with a special emphasis on decision making, goal setting, management theories, and critical thinking.
Prerequisite: POFT 1309, POFT 1319, POFT 1349, POFI 2340, and POFT 1328.

POFT 2264 Capstone: Practicum
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:16
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: Students enrolled in the certificate program must have completed 30 semester credit hours. Students enrolled in the Associate Degree program must have completed 46 semester credit hours.

POFT 2303 Speed and Accuracy Building
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course teaches how to review, correct, improve, and/or perfect touch keyboarding techniques for the purpose of increasing speed and improving accuracy.
Prerequisite: POFT 1329.

POFT 2312 Business Correspondence and Communication
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course teaches the development of writing and presentation skills required to produce effective business documents.
Prerequisite: POFT 1301.

POFT 2331 Administrative Systems
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course covers advanced concepts of project management and office procedures utilizing integration of previously learned office skills and software applications.
Prerequisite: POFT 1349 or POFI 1340.

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

ORGL 3311 Issues in Organizational Leadership
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This competency module is an overview of issues facing organizational leaders. The module will discuss aspects of leadership as they pertain to internal and external elements facing leaders. Internal elements such as organizational change and organizational development and external elements such as dealing with external stakeholders, the global environment, and competitors will be covered as well. Students will utilize the knowledge gained in the course to develop a personal leadership theory.
Prerequisite: Core Curriculum complete and Junior Standing.

ORGL 3321 Data Driven Decision-Making I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This competency module is a survey of important and commonly used quantifiable concepts and methods. The module content is of an interdisciplinary nature; it reviews basic measurable concepts and quantitative methodologies in statistics, economics, accounting, and finance. The purpose of the module is to provide the student understanding of concepts, their measurability, and the analytical meaning of the quantitative data.
Prerequisite: Core Curriculum complete and Junior Standing.

ORGL 3322 Behavior/Ethics/Leadership I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This competency module is an examination of behavior and leadership in the workplace and the role of organizational leaders in fostering behaviors within organizations. Case studies, discussion, self-assessment exercises and reading assignments explore the basic frameworks of organizational and leadership behaviors. Students will demonstrate a competency in developing strategies for driving behavior within organizations that align with organizational goals and objectives.
Prerequisite: Junior Standing and ORGL 3321.

ORGL 4341 Management Theory I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This competency module focuses on the principles and practice of management in an organizational setting. The learner demonstrates knowledge of the functions of management, the skill to analyze organizational processes and the ability to apply management theory to workplace situations. The learner can characterize organizations by their purpose, structure and activities. The learner can recognize, describe and apply common methods of operations and project management.
Prerequisite: Senior Standing and ORGL 3322.

ORGL 4342 Organizational Change
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
In this competency module students will analyze the nature and dynamics of organizational change and the roles that individuals, technologies, and circumstances/forces play in organizational change, including being able to determine the level at
which organizational change should take place.
Prerequisite: Senior Standing and ORGL 4341.

ORGL 4351
Management Theory II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This competency module is a continuation of Management Theory I. Material for this module will emphasize applied aspects of knowledge accumulated in the first module. This module also introduces aspects of managing operations. Students will utilize this knowledge to demonstrate leadership competence in areas related to managing aspects of organizational operations.
Prerequisite: Senior Standing and ORGL 4341.

ORGL 4352
Capstone I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This competency module showcases the student's professionalism. The work implies the construction of a professional profile drawing upon the compilation of student academic performance, teamwork experience, and workplace experience. Students work on a real project management case and on constructing their professional profile that culminates in a public presentation. A main factor in evaluating student performance is the input from local and global organizations and faculty.
Prerequisite: Senior Standing and ORGL 3331 and ORGL 3332.

ORGL 4361
Capstone II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This competency module is a continuation of Capstone I. Material for this module will emphasize applied aspects of knowledge accumulated in the first module.
Students will collect and document all evidence of competence and professionalism throughout the degree plan in their e-portfolio. The e-portfolio will contribute to the student's grade in Capstone II.
Prerequisite: Senior Standing and ORGL 4351, ORGL 4352 and ORGL 4342.

**PARALEGAL**

LGLA 1305
Legal Writing
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course provides a working knowledge of the fundamentals of effective legal writing techniques. Topics include briefs, legal memoranda, case and fact analysis, citation formats, and legal writing styles emphasizing the paralegal's role in legal writing.
Prerequisite: None.

LGLA 1342
Federal Civil Litigation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course provides an overview of the federal civil litigation process, including pretrial, trial, and post-trial phases of litigation emphasizing the paralegal's role in the federal civil litigation process.
Prerequisite: LGLA 1307.

LGLA 1344
Texas Civil Litigation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course presents fundamental concepts and procedures of Texas civil litigation including pretrial, trial, and post-trial phases of litigation emphasizing the paralegal's role in the Texas civil litigation process.
Prerequisite: LGLA 1307 and LGLA 1342.

LGLA 1351
Contracts
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course presents fundamental concepts of contract law including formation, performance, and enforcement of contracts under the common law and the Uniform Commercial Code with emphasis on the paralegal's role in contract law.
Prerequisite: None.

LGLA 1353
Wills, Trusts and Probate Administration
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course presents fundamental concepts of the law of wills, trusts, and probate administration with emphasis on the paralegal's role.
Prerequisite: LGLA 1307.

LGLA 1355
Family Law
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course presents fundamental concepts of family law with emphasis on the paralegal's role. Topics include formal and informal marriages, divorce, annulment, marital property, and the parent-child relationship.
Prerequisite: LGLA 1307.

LGLA 2266
Practicum: Paralegal
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:16
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.
Prerequisite: Students enrolled in the Associate Degree program must have completed 46 semester credit hours.

LGLA 2303
TORTS & Personal Injury Law
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course presents fundamental concepts of tort and personal injury law with emphasis on the paralegal's role. Topics include intentional torts, negligence, and strict liability.
Prerequisite: LGLA 1307.

LGLA 2309
Real Property
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course presents fundamental concepts of real property law with emphasis on the paralegal's role. Topics include the nature of real property, rights and duties of ownership, land use, voluntary and involuntary conveyances, and the recording of and searching for real estate documents.
Prerequisite: LGLA 1307.

LGLA 2311
Business Organizations
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course presents basic concepts of business organizations with emphasis on the paralegal's role. Topics include law of agency, sole proprietorships, forms of partnerships, corporations and other emerging business entities.
Prerequisite: LGLA 1307.

LGLA 2313
Criminal Law and Procedures
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course covers fundamental concepts of criminal law and procedures from arrest to final disposition including principles
of federal and state law, and the preparation of pleadings and motions as applied to the role of the paralegal in the criminal justice system.

Prerequisite: LG 1A 1307.

**PATIENT CARE ASSISTANT**

**ECRD 1211**

Electrocardiography

CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:01

This course covers the fundamentals of cardiovascular anatomy and physiology. It includes basic electrocardiography procedures, interpretation of basic dysrhythmias, and appropriate treatment modalities.

Prerequisite: Completion of NURA 1401, NURA 1160 and a current registration with Texas Department of Aging In good standing (current CNA); and Concurrent enrollment in NUPC 1360 and NUPC 1320.

**NUPC 1320**

Patient Care Technician/Assistant

CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02

This course is designed to provide the student with the necessary training, skills, and knowledge needed to gain employment as a Patient Care Technician in a hospital setting.

Prerequisite: Completion of NURA 1401 and NURA 1160 and a current registration with Texas Department of Aging In good standing (current CNA).

**NUPC 1360**

Capstone: Clinical II

CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:14

This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.

Prerequisite: Completion of NURA 1401, NURA 1160 and a current registration with Texas Department of Aging In good standing (current CNA); and Concurrent enrollment in NUPC 1360.

**NURA 1160**

Clinical I

CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:00  OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06

This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.

Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in NURA 1401 and permission from the department.

**NURA 1401**

Nurse Aide for Health Care

CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:04

This course is designed to prepare entry level nursing assistants to achieve a level of knowledge, skills, and abilities essential to provide basic care to residents of long-term care facilities. Topics include resident’s rights, communication, safety, observation, reporting and assisting residents in maintaining basic comfort and safety. Emphasis is placed on effective interaction with members of the health care team.

Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in NURA 1160.

**NURA 1407**

Body Systems

CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:02

This course is a basic study of the structures and functions of the human body.

Prerequisite: None.

**PLAB 1323**

Phlebotomy

CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02

This course provides instruction in the development of skills in the performance of a variety of blood collection methods using proper techniques and universal precautions. Skills and techniques include vacuum collection devices, syringes, capillary skin puncture, butterfly needles and blood culture, and specimen collection on adults, children, and infants. The emphasis is placed on infection prevention, proper patient identification, labeling of specimens and quality assurance, specimen handling, processing, and accessioning. Topics include professionalism, ethics, and medical terminology.

Prerequisite: Completion of NURA 1401, NURA 1160 and a current registration with Texas Department of Aging In good standing (current CNA); and concurrent enrollment in NUPC 1360 and NUPC 1320.

**PHARMACY TECHNOLOGY**

**PHRA 1202**

Pharmacy Law

CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:00

This course is a survey of federal and state laws governing the practice of pharmacy. The legal and ethical constraints governing pharmacy technicians and pharmacists’ responsibilities in practice settings will be described.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

**PHRA 1243**

Capstone: Pharmacy Technician Certification Review

CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:00

This is an overview of major topics covered on the National Pharmacy Technician Certification Examination.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a “C” or better.

**PHRA 1268**

Capstone: Practicum

CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:00  OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20

This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student.

Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better and permission from the department.

**PHRA 1301**

Introduction to Pharmacy

CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00

This course is an overview of the qualifications, operational guidelines, and job duties of a pharmacy technician. Topics include definitions of a pharmacy environment, the profile of a pharmacy technician, legal and ethical guidelines, job skills and duties, verbal and written communication skills, professional resources, safety techniques, and supply and inventory techniques.

Prerequisite: None.

**PHRA 1305**

Drug Classification

CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00

This course is an introduction to the study of disease processes, pharmaceutical drugs, abbreviations, classifications, dosages, actions in the body, and routes of administration.

Prerequisite: Admission to the Pharmacy Technology Program.

**PHRA 1309**

Pharmaceutical Mathematics I

CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02

This course covers pharmaceutical mathematics including reading, interpreting, and solving calculation problems encountered in the preparation and distribution of drugs, conversion of measurement within the apothecary, avoirdupois, and metric system with emphasis on the metric system of weight and volume. Topics will include ratio and proportion, percentage, dilution and concentration, millequivalent, units, intravenous flow rates, and solving dosage problems.

Prerequisite: None.
PHRA 1315 Pharmacy Terminology  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00  
This course is a study of origins and structure through the introduction of prefixes, suffixes, and root words as it relates to a pharmaceutical setting. It focuses on translation and recognition of commonly used pharmacy abbreviations.  
Prerequisite: Admission to the Pharmacy Technology Program.

PHRA 1340 Pharmacy Third Party Payment  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:01  
This course is an overview of the third party payment systems and its impact on health care and the impact of managed care on pharmacy reimbursements. It includes the principles and practices of managed care pharmacy, Medicaid and Medicare, payment plans, reimbursement methods, and formularies.  
Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.

PHRA 1347 Pharmaceutical Mathematics II  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:02  
This course will cover solving basic math problems and demonstrating conversion between various systems of measurement; perform advanced dosage calculations including alligations, body surface area, formula enlargement/reduction, and IV flow rate calculations.  
Prerequisite: Admission to the Pharmacy Technology Program.

PHRA 1404 Pharmacotherapy & Disease Process  
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:04  LAB HRS:00  
This course is the study of disease state and the therapeutic properties of the drugs used in pharmaceutical therapy.  
Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with a "C" or better.

PHRA 1413 Community Pharmacy Practice  
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:04  
This course is an introduction to the skills necessary to process, prepare, label, and maintain records of physicians' medication orders and prescriptions in a community pharmacy. It is designed to train individuals in supply, inventory, and data entry. Topics include customer service, count and pour techniques, prescription calculations, drug selection and preparation, over-the-counter drugs, inventory management, record keeping, stock level adjustment, data input, editing, and legal parameters.  
Prerequisite: Admission to the Pharmacy Technology Program.

PHRA 1441 Pharmacy Drug Therapy and Treatment  
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:04  LAB HRS:00  
This is a study of therapeutic agents, their classifications, properties, actions, and effects on the human body and their role in the management of disease. It provides detailed information regarding drug dosages, side effects, interactions, toxicities, and incompatibilities.  
Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester courses with "C" or better.

PHRA 1449 Institutional Pharmacy Practice  
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:06  
This is an exploration of the fundamentals of the diverse roles and practice of pharmacy technicians in an institutional pharmacy with emphasis on daily pharmacy operation. Topics include in-depth coverage of hospital pharmacy organization, work flow and personnel, and pharmaceutical terminology, safety techniques, data entry, packaging and labeling operations, pharmaceutical compounding, inpatient drug distribution system, unit dose chart fills, continuous quality assurance, drug storage, and inventory control.  
Prerequisite: Completion of the previous semester with a "C" or better.

PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00  
This is a study of major issues in philosophy and/or the work of major philosophical figures in philosophy. Topics in philosophy may include theories of reality, theories of knowledge, theories of value, and their practical applications.  
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

PHIL 1304 Introduction to World Religions  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00  
This course is a comparative study of world religions, including but not limited to Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.  
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

PHIL 2303 Introduction to Logic  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00  
The purpose of the course is to introduce the student to symbolic logic, including syllogisms, propositional and predicate logic, and logical proofs in a system of rules.  
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

PHIL 2306 Introduction to Ethics  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00  
This course is a systematic evaluation of classical and/or contemporary ethical theories concerning the good life, human conduct in society, morals, and standards of value.  
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

PHIL 2307 Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00  
This course is a study of major issues in social and political theory and/or the work of major philosophical figures in this area.  
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

PHIL 2316 Classical Philosophy  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00  
This course is a study of major philosophers and philosophical systems from the ancient through medieval periods.  
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

PHIL 2321 Philosophy of Religion  
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:00  
This course is a study of the major issues in the philosophy of religion such as the existence and nature of God, the relationships between faith and reason, the nature of religious language, religious experience, and the problem of evil.  
Prerequisite: Eligible for ENGL 1301.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE

GEOL 1403 Physical Geology  
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:03  
This course is an introduction to the study of the materials and processes that have modified and shaped the surface and interior of Earth over time. These processes are described by theories based on experimental data and geologic data gathered from field observations. Laboratory activities will cover methods used to collect and analyze earth science data.  
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading or equivalent.

GEOL 1404 Historical Geology  
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:03  
This course is a comprehensive survey of the history of life and major events in the physical development of Earth as interpreted from rocks and fossils. Laboratory
activities will introduce methods used by scientists to interpret the history of life and major events in the physical development of Earth from rocks and fossils.

Prerequisite: GEOL 1403 with a grade of "C" or better.

◆GEOL 1445 Oceanography
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a survey of oceanography and related sciences and will explore the physical, chemical, geological, and biological processes operating in the marine environment. The dynamic processes that affect the ocean water, sea floor, and abundant life forms will be studied, as well as the methods and techniques scientists use to investigate the ocean. Topics for discussion will include, but will not be limited to, the origin of ocean basins, properties of sea water, wind circulation, waves and tides, coastal and ocean habitats, ocean resources, and human presence in the ocean and related environmental challenges. It is recommended, but not required, that students take this course in sequence with Meteorology (GEOL 1447).

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and in Math or equivalent.

◆GEOL 1447 Meteorology
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a survey of oceanography and related sciences and an introductory study of energy, temperature moisture, precipitation, and winds that combine to create weather. Topics include, but are not limited to, the causes of the seasons, forms of moisture, barometric stability, cloud development, precipitation process, pressure, storm systems, thunderstorms, lightning, tornadoes, hurricanes, and world climate. Labs include, but are not limited to, reading and preparing weather maps, and interpreting weather measurements. It is recommended; but not required, that students take this course in sequence with Oceanography (GEOL 1445).

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and in Math or equivalent.

◆PHYS 1403 Stars & Galaxies
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is the study of stars, galaxies, and the universe outside our solar system. This course covers modern astronomical topics including: spectroscopy; telescopes and other astronomical instrumentation; stellar properties, formation and evolution; large scale structure of the universe; and theories on the origin of the universe.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and in Math or equivalent.

◆PHYS 1404 Solar System
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
Study of the sun and its solar system, including its origin. This course covers classical and modern topics including: naked eye observation; classical views of the Solar System; planetary exploration tools (spacecraft and landers); origins of the Solar System; planetary geology; planetary atmospheres; moons; comets; asteroids; meteories; extra-solar planets; and the search for life beyond the earth and Solar System.

Prerequisite: PHYS 1403.

◆PHYS 1415 Physical Science I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course, designed for non-science majors, surveys topics from physics, chemistry, geology, astronomy, and meteorology. These topics are covered in two courses; PHYS 1415 will concentrate on surveying astronomy, meteorology and physics. PHYS 1416 will concentrate on physics, chemistry, and geology.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and in Math or equivalent.

◆PHYS 1417 Physical Science II
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course, designed for non-science majors, surveys topics from physics, chemistry, geology, astronomy, and meteorology. This course will survey topics in chemistry, geology and physics not discussed in PHYS 1415.

Prerequisite: PHYS 1415 with a grade of "C" or better.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

PTHA 1266 Practicum I
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF-CAMPUS LAB HRS:14
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. This course is a basic type of health professions work-based instruction that helps students gain practical experience in physical therapy, enhance skills and integrate knowledge. The emphasis is on practical work experience in acute or outpatient settings for which the student has already acquired the necessary theoretical knowledge and skills in basic patient care and physical agents. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical instructor. A health practicum is an unpaid learning experience.

Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.

PTHA 1321 Pathophysiology for the PTA
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
This course is a study of the pathogenesis, prognosis, and therapeutic management of diseases/conditions commonly encountered in physical therapy.

Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a "C" or better.

PTHA 1405 Basic Patient Care Skills
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to the theory and application of basic patient handling, communication and functional skills. It includes selected data collection techniques.

Prerequisite: Acceptance to PTA Program.

PTHA 1409 Introduction to Physical Therapy
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:02
This course is an introduction to the profession of physical therapy and the role of the physical therapist assistant. It includes the application of basic patient handling, functional skills, communication, and selected data collection techniques.

Prerequisite: Departmental Approval Required.

PTHA 1413 Functional Anatomy
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of the musculoskeletal and neuromuscular systems and their relationship to normal and abnormal movement.

Prerequisite: Acceptance to PTA Program.

PTHA 1531 Physical Agents
CRT HRS:05 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:06
This course is a study of the biophysical principles, and application of therapeutic physical agents with specific emphasis on indications, contraindications, medical efficacy and physiological effects.

Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of "C" or better.
PTHA 2201 Essentials of Data Collection
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:04
This course is a study of data collection techniques used to prepare the physical therapist assistant to assist in patient/client management.
Prerequisite: Acceptance to PTA Program.

PTHA 2205 Neurology
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of neuroanatomy and neurophysiology as it relates to commonly encountered neurological conditions.
Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

PTHA 2266 Practicum II (6 weeks)
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:15
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. This course is an intermediate level of health professions work-based instruction that helps students gain practical experience in physical therapy, enhance skills and integrate knowledge. The emphasis is on practical work experience in rehabilitation or inpatient settings for which the student has already acquired the necessary theoretical knowledge and basic skills in orthopedic, neurological, or general medical management. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical instructor. A health practicum is an unpaid learning experience.
Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

PTHA 2267 Practicum III (6 weeks)
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:15
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. This course is an advanced type of health professions work-based instruction that helps students gain practical experience in physical therapy, enhance skills and integrate knowledge. The emphasis is on practical work experience in rehabilitation or outpatient settings for which the student has already acquired the necessary theoretical knowledge and basic skills in neurological, sport medicine, geriatric, or pediatric management. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical instructor. A health practicum is an unpaid learning experience.
Prerequisite: Completion of PTHA 2266 with a grade of “C” or better.

PTHA 2339 Capstone: Professional Issues
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:00 LAB HRS:00
This is a capstone course which engages the student in the discussion of professional issues and behaviors related to clinical practice. It prepares the student for transition into the workforce.
Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

PTHA 2431 Management of Neurological Disorders
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This is an advanced course integrating previously learned and new skills/techniques into the comprehensive rehabilitation of selected neurological disorders.
Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

PTHA 2435 Rehabilitation Techniques
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This is an advanced course integrating previously learned and new skills/techniques into the comprehensive rehabilitation of selected long-term pathologies/diseases such as musculoskeletal, neuromuscular, cardiopulmonary, and integumentary disorders.
Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

PTHA 2509 Therapeutic Exercise
CRT HRS:05 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:06
This course will offer critical examination of concepts, principles, and application of techniques related to therapeutic exercise and functional training.
Prerequisite: Completion of previous semester courses with a grade of “C” or better.

PHYSICS

PHYS 1401 College Physics I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers fundamental principles of physics, using algebra and trigonometry; the principles and applications of classical mechanics and thermodynamics, including harmonic motion, mechanical waves and sound, physical systems, Newton’s Laws of Motion and gravitation and other fundamental forces; with emphasis on problem solving. Laboratory activities will reinforce concepts presented in PHYS 1401 lecture.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and completion of MATH 1414 and MATH 1316 with a “C” or better; or completion of MATH 2412 with a grade of “C” or better; or equivalent.

PHYS 1402 College Physics II
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers fundamental principles of physics, using algebra and trigonometry; the principles and applications of electricity and magnetism, including circuits, electrostatics, electromagnetism, waves, sound, light, optics, and modern physics topics; with emphasis on problem solving. Laboratory activities will reinforce concepts presented in PHYS 1402 lecture.
Prerequisite: PHYS 1401 with a grade of “C” or better.

PHYS 2425 University Physics I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers fundamental principles of physics, using calculus, for science, computer science, and engineering majors; the principles and applications of classical mechanics, including harmonic motion, physical systems and thermodynamics; and emphasis on problem solving. Basic laboratory experiments supporting theoretical principles presented in PHYS 2425 will be performed. Experimental design, data collection and analysis, and preparation of laboratory reports will be emphasized.
Prerequisite: MATH 2413 with a grade of “C” or better.

PHYS 2426 University Physics II
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:03
This course covers principles of physics for science, computer science, and engineering majors, using calculus, involving the principles of electricity and magnetism, including circuits, electromagnetism, waves, sound, light, and optics. Laboratory experiments supporting theoretical principles presented in PHYS 2426 will be performed. Experimental design, data collection and analysis, and preparation of laboratory reports will be emphasized.
Prerequisite: PHYS 2425 with a grade of “C” or better.
POLITICAL SCIENCE

◆GOVT 2304 Introduction to Political Science
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is an introductory survey of the discipline of political science focusing on the history, theory, scope and methods of the field, and the substantive topics in the discipline.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

◆GOVT 2305 Federal Government
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the origin and development of the U.S. Constitution, structure and powers of the national government including the legislative, executive, and judicial branches, federalism, political participation, the national election process, public policy, civil liberties, and civil rights.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent; or TSI Reading score of 349-50 and co-enrollment in NCBR 0300.

◆GOVT 2306 Texas Government
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the origin and development of the Texas Constitution, structure and powers of state and local government, federalism and inter-governmental relations, political participation, the election process, public policy, and the political culture of Texas.
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent; or TSI Reading score of 349-50 and co-enrollment in NCBR 0300.

◆GOVT 2311 Mexican-American Politics
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course provides a study of Mexican-American/Chicano politics within the American political experience. It presents both a historical and a topic-based approach to the Mexican-American political experience. Topics to be studied include the Mexican-American civil rights movement, Mexican-American political participation, Mexican-Americans and political parties, Mexican-American interests groups, Mexican-Americans in the executive and legislative branches and Mexican-Americans and the courts.
Prerequisite: Completion of GOVT 2305 with a grade of “C” or better and TSI complete in Writing or equivalent.

◆GOVT 2389 Academic Cooperative
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an instructional program designed to integrate on-campus study with practical hands-on experience in government. In conjunction with class seminars, the individual student will set specific goals and objectives in the study of human social behavior and/or social institutions.
Prerequisites: GOVT 2304, GOVT 2305 and GOVT 2306.

PSYCHOLOGY

◆PSYC 1300 Learning Framework
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the research and theory in the psychology of learning, cognition, and motivation, factors that impact learning, and application of learning strategies. Theoretical models of strategic learning, cognition, and motivation serve as the conceptual basis for the introduction of college-level student academic strategies. Students use assessment instruments (e.g., learning inventories) to help them identify their own strengths and weaknesses as strategic learners. Students are ultimately expected to integrate and apply the learning skills discussed across their own academic programs and become effective and efficient learners. Students developing these skills should be able to continually draw from the theoretical models they have learned.
Prerequisite: None.

◆PSYC 2301 General Psychology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a survey of the major topics in psychology. It introduces the study of behavior and the factors that determine and affect behavior.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆PSYC 2305 Human Sexuality
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is a social behavioral science course in which topics will include the genesis of sexuality, psychosexual development, role identity, sexual behavior and physiology.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆PSYC 2307 Adolescent Psychology I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the physical, emotional, social and cognitive factors affecting growth and development of adolescents.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆PSYC 2308 Child Psychology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of physical, cognitive, emotional and social growth from conception through childhood.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the relationship of the physical, emotional, social and cognitive factors affecting growth and development throughout the life span.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆PSYC 2315 Psychology of Adjustment
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is an examination of the psychological dynamics underlying personal and social adjustment and maladjustments; including frustration, conflict, anxiety, adjustment mechanisms and psychotherapy.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆PSYC 2316 Psychology of Personality
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the development of personality. It focuses on contributions of various theorists and their work on the understanding of personality and techniques for measuring personality.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of “C” or better or equivalent.

◆PSYC 2317 Statistical Methods in Psychology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of statistical methods used in psychological research, assessment and testing. It includes the study of measures of central tendency and variability, statistical inference, correlation
and regression as they apply to psychology.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

◆PSYC 2319 Social Psychology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the effect of society on the individual, with emphasis on the interaction between the individual and the various groups of which she or he is a member. Emphasis is placed on group dynamics.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

PBAD 1301 Principles of Transportation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a comprehensive study of the principles, organization, and other major functions of transportation management. Topics include all aspects of import-export transportation including methods and follow-up production status.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 1311 Municipal Management
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the skill development in managing municipal government, coordination of services, organizational structure, and relationships with other local governments. Topics include transportation, public safety, and public utilities.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 1321 Public Administration
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to the organization and management of the public sector. Topics include intergovernmental relations, overview of different levels of government program management, and management of non-profit agencies.
Prerequisite: None.

PBAD 1341 Governmental Agencies
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an overview of governmental agencies and their interrelationships; goals and objectives; and organizational structure of each agency. Topics include grants-in-aid, revenue and expenditure patterns, and global influence on governmental agencies.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2301 Public Relations for the Public Sector
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the skill development in dealing with the public and the media for public sector employees, managers, and public relations specialists. Topics include maintaining positive public image, relating organizational policies to the public interest, and conducting public information programs.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2305 Public Sector Management
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers general principles of public management and strategies of dealing with internal and external systems. Topics include planning, decision-making and leadership models, organizational behavior, and resource management.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2311 Public Sector Supervision
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers skill development in supervisory techniques in public management. Topics include organizational structure, motivation, planning, control, delegation, and leadership. Instructional techniques may include case studies, role playing, and teamwork.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2331 Budgeting in the Public Sector
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the examination of revenue-producing activities and sources of funds; construction and implementation of budgets; and basic terminology, concepts, and mechanics as they relate to fiscal factors. Topics include budget cycle, taxation, bonds, indebtedness, and fund accounting.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2335 Ethics in the Public Sector
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the examination of reconciling the practice of public administration with provisions of law. Topics include codes of conduct, financial disclosure, conflict of interest, nepotism, and ethical dilemmas.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2339 Human Resource Management in the Public Sector
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers an examination of human resource management in the public sector with an emphasis on civil service, merit systems, and labor law. Topics include recruiting, selecting, training, compensating, and appraising employees.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2341 Legal Aspects of the Public Management
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the organizational structure of the judicial systems, conducting legal research, and interpreting legal decisions. Topics include administrative law, contract law, civil procedures, and the regulatory process.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2347 Urban Planning
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers an examination of urban and regional planning. Topics include environmental analysis, growth and redevelopment strategies, planning, zoning, and subdividing.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.

PBAD 2380 Capstone: Co-op in Public Service Administration
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:01 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:14
This course covers career-related activities encountered in the student's area of specialization offered through an individualized agreement among the college, employer, and student. Under the supervision of the college and the employer, the student combines classroom learning with work experience. Includes a lecture component.
Prerequisite: PBAD 1321 with a minimum of "C" or better.
RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY

RA DR 1213 Principles of Radiographic Imaging I
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:04
This course is an introduction to radiographic image qualities and the effects of exposure variables upon those qualities. Photographic versus geometric properties, radiographic film types and development, film construction, section and systems of the processor and quality control are also included.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program and concurrent enrollment in RADR 1311 and RADR 1360.

RA DR 1267 Practicum II
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:16
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. The emphasis is to build upon acquired clinical skills and is simultaneously related to theory in the classroom.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program; RADR 2301 and RADR 2205 with a minimum of “C” or better and RADR 1366 with a minimum of “B” or better.

RA DR 1309 Introduction to Radiography and Patient Care
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course includes an overview of the historical development of radiography, basic radiation protection, an introduction to medical terminology, ethical and legal issues for health care professionals, and an orientation to the program and to the health care system. Patient assessment, infection control procedures, emergency and safety procedures, communication and patient interaction skills, and basic pharmacology are also included.
Prerequisite: Must be ACT complete; preferred ACT of 19 composite; 16 in all sections and Departmental Approval Required.

RA DR 1311 Basic Radiographic Procedures
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course includes an introduction to radiographic positioning terminology, the proper manipulation of equipment, positioning and alignment of the anatomical structure and equipment, and evaluation of images for proper demonstration of basic anatomy.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program and concurrent enrollment in RADR 1213 and RADR 1360.

RA DR 1360 Clinical
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:18
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional. This course includes basic fundamental clinical instruction performed in the Diagnostic Radiology Department at the clinical education centers, and is simultaneously related to theory presented in the classroom.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program and concurrent enrollment in RADR 1213 and RADR 1361.

RA DR 1366 Practicum I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:28
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. The emphasis is to build upon acquired clinical skills and is simultaneously related to theory in the classroom.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program; RADR 1213 and RADR 1311 with a minimum of “C” or better, RADR 1360 with a minimum of “B” or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2301 and RADR 2205.

RA DR 2117 Radiographic Pathology
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:01
This course is a presentation of the disease process and common diseases and their appearance on medical images. Special image procedures and modalities used for diagnosis and treatment are also included.
Prerequisite: RADR 2431 and RADR 2399 with a minimum of “C” or better, RADR 2366 with a minimum of “B” or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2213 and RADR 2367.

RA DR 2166 Capstone: Practicum V
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:10
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. The emphasis is to build upon acquired clinical skills and is simultaneously related to theory in the classroom.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program; RADR 2117 and RADR 2213 with a minimum of “C” or better, RADR 2367 with a minimum of “B” or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2301 and RADR 2235.

RA DR 2205 Principles of Radiographic Imaging II
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:04
This course covers Radiographic image quality and the effects of exposure variables, and the synthesis of all variables in image production.
Prerequisite: RADR 1311 and RADR 1213 with a minimum of “C” or better, RADR 1360 with a minimum of “B” or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2301 and RADR 1366.

RA DR 2213 Radiation Biology and Protection
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:01
This course is a study of the effects of radiation exposure on biological systems, typical medical exposure levels, methods for measuring and monitoring radiation, and methods for protecting personnel and patients from excessive exposure.
Prerequisite: RADR 2309 and RADR 2431 with a minimum of “C” or better, RADR 2366 with a “B” or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2117 and RADR 2367.

RA DR 2235 Capstone: Radiologic Technology Seminar
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:02
This capstone course focuses on the synthesis of professional knowledge, skills, and attitudes in preparation for professional employment and lifelong learning.
Prerequisite: RADR 2117 and RADR 2213 with a minimum of “C” or better, RADR 2367 with a minimum of “B” or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2166.

RA DR 2301 Intermediate Radiographic Procedures
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This is a continuation of the study of the proper manipulation of radiographic equipment, positioning and alignment of the anatomical structure and equipment, and evaluation of images for proper demonstration of anatomy.
Prerequisite: RADR 1213 and RADR 1311 with a minimum of “C” or better, RADR 1360 with a minimum of “B” or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 1366 and RADR 2205.
RADR 2309  Radiographic Imaging Equipment
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02  LAB HRS:03
This course is a study of the equipment and physics of x-ray production, basic x-ray circuits, and the relationship of equipment components to the imaging process.
Prerequisite: RADR 1267 with a minimum of "B" or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2431 and RADR 2366.

RADR 2366 Practicum III
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:00  OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:24
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. The emphasis is to build upon acquired clinical skills and is simultaneously related to theory in the classroom.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program; RADR 1267 with a minimum of "B" or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2431 and RADR 2309.

RADR 2367 Practicum IV
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:00  OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:28
This course provides practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and the student. The emphasis is to build upon acquired clinical skills and is simultaneously related to theory in the classroom.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program; RADR 2431 and RADR 2309 with a minimum of "C" or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2117 and RADR 2213.

RADR 2431 Advanced Radiographic Procedures
CRT HRS:04  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:04
This advanced course is a continuation of positioning; alignment of the anatomical structure and equipment, evaluation of images for proper demonstration of anatomy and related pathology. Non-Routine radiographic positioning, introduction to cross-sectional anatomy and trauma radiography are also included.
Prerequisite: RADR 1267 with a minimum of "B" or better, and concurrent enrollment in RADR 2309 and RADR 2366.

READING
INRW 0304 Integrated Reading and Writing
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:03  LAB HRS:01
This is a combined lecture/lab, performance-based course designed to develop students' critical reading and academic writing skills. The focus of the course will be on applying critical reading skills for organizing, analyzing, and retaining material and developing written work appropriate to the audience, purpose, situation, and length of the assignment. The course integrates preparation in basic academic reading skills in writing a variety of academic essays. This course fulfills TSI requirements for reading and writing.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better and completion of ENGL 0100 with a grade of "C" or better.

NCBR 0200 Non Course Based Developmental Reading II
CRT HRS: 01  LEC HRS: 01/LAB HRS: 00
This course covers the basics of the developmental of reading and higher order thinking skills necessary for college readiness.
Prerequisite: TSI scores: Reading 346-347

NCBR 0300 Non Course Based Developmental Reading III
CRT HRS: 01  LEC HRS: 01/LAB HRS: 00
The development of reading and higher order thinking skills necessary for college readiness will be covered.
Prerequisite: TSI scores: Reading 349-350

READ 0100 Developmental Reading I
CRT HRS: 03  LEC HRS: 03/LAB HRS: 01
The READ 0100 course is designed to help students develop reading strategies in an accelerated format. Emphasis is placed on hands on activities, read aloud, silent sustained reading, and the integration of college success skills. This course has a required one-hour lab.
Prerequisite: Placement based on TSI placement score of 342-347; or equivalent.

RESPIRATORY THERAPY
RSPT 1101 Introduction to Respiratory Care
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:01  LAB HRS:00
This course will outline the history of the respiratory care profession; outline the organization and function of hospital departments; describe issues in medical malpractice and ethics; identify the respiratory therapists' role in performing basic vital signs, body mechanics, and cardiopulmonary assessment; and describe infection control techniques.
Prerequisite: None.

RSPT 1137 Basic Dysrhythmia Interpretation
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:01  LAB HRS:00
A comprehensive study of the electrical conduction system of the heart, electrophysiology, and characteristics of the common atrial, junctional, and ventricular dysrhythmias including atrioventricular blocks.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of "C".

RSPT 1141 Respiratory Home Care/Rehabilitation
CRT HRS:01  LEC HRS:01  LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of respiratory home care/rehabilitation equipment, procedures, and patient education. It emphasizes treatment of patients in home care and alternate settings.
Prerequisite: RSPT 1267 with a grade of "B" or better and completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of "C".

RSPT 1266 Practicum I
CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:00  OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:14
Practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and student.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of "C".

RSPT 1267 Practicum II
CRT HRS:02  LEC HRS:00  OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:14
Practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and student.
Prerequisite: RSPT 1266 with a grade of "B" or better and completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of "C".

RSPT 1325 Respiratory Care Sciences
CRT HRS:03  LEC HRS:02/LAB HRS:02
Physics, mathematics, and chemistry as related to respiratory care.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of "C".
RSPT 1329 Respiratory Care Fundamentals I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course is an introduction to respiratory care fundamentals and provides a foundation for the development of knowledge and skills for respiratory care including history, medical terms/symbols, medical/legal, infection control, vital signs, physical assessment, chest x-ray interpretation, medical gas therapy, oxygen analyzers, and humidity/earsol therapy.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 1331 Respiratory Care Fundamentals II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:03
This course provides a foundation for the continued development of knowledge and skills for respiratory care including lung expansion therapy, bronchial hygiene therapy, postural drainage and percussion, artificial airways, manual resuscitation devices, suctioning, pulse oximetry, bedside spirometry, arterial sampling techniques and blood gas analysis and interpretation.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 2139 Advanced Cardiac Life Support
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:03
A comprehensive course designed to develop the cognitive and psychomotor skills necessary for resuscitation of the adult. Includes strategies for managing and stabilizing the cardiopulmonary arrested patient. May include certification.
Prerequisite: RSPT 1267 with a grade of “B” or better and completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 2210 Cardiopulmonary Disease
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
A discussion of etiology, pathogenesis, pathology, diagnosis, history, prognosis, manifestations, treatment, and detection of cardiopulmonary diseases.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 2217 Respiratory Care Pharmacology
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:01
A study of pharmacological principles/practices of drugs which affect the cardiopulmonary systems. Emphasis on classification, route of administration, dosages/calculations, and physiological interactions.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 2231 Simulations in Respiratory Care
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:04
Theory and history of clinical simulation examinations. Includes construction types, scoring, and mechanics of taking the computerized simulation examination.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous Respiratory Therapy courses with a minimum grade of “C” and completion of RSPT 2266 with a grade of “B” or better.

RSPT 2266 Practicum II
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:14
Practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and student.
Prerequisite: RSPT 1267 with a grade of “B” or better and completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 2267 Practicum IV
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00 OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:20
Practical, general workplace training supported by an individualized learning plan developed by the employer, college, and student.
Prerequisite: RSPT 2266 with a grade of “B” or better and completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 2305 Pulmonary Diagnostics
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02
The theories and techniques involved in pulmonary function testing diagnostics with emphasis on blood gas theory and analysis, quality control, oximetry, and capnography.
Prerequisite: Completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 2314 Mechanical Ventilation
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
In-depth coverage and application of therapeutic procedures to achieve adequate spontaneous and mechanical ventilation of the neonatal and pediatric patient. Includes indications, complications, and physiological effects of ventilatory support.
Prerequisite: RSPT 2267 with a grade of “B” or better and completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

RSPT 2353 Neonatal/Pediatric Cardiopulmonary Care
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
A study of cardiopulmonary care covering advanced concepts of acute care, monitoring, and management as applied to the neonatal and pediatric patient.
Prerequisite: RSPT 1267 with a grade of “B” or better and completion of all previous semester courses with a minimum grade of “C.”

SOCIAL WORK
◆SOCW 2361 Introduction to Social Work
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course identifies the philosophy, history and practice of social work in the United States and provides a survey of the field, as well as the various methods and techniques used in social work practice. The course requires the completion of volunteer work at an approved site.
Prerequisite: None.

◆SOCW 2362 Social Welfare as a Social Institution
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is an introduction to the study of modern social work in the context of the institution of social welfare, the underlying philosophy and ethics of social work, together with their methods and objectives. It also examines the political, economic and cultural values and ideologies which shape social welfare policy, programs and services.
Prerequisite: None.

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SOCIOLOGY

◆ SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This is an introduction to the scientific study of human group behavior. Major areas of study in sociology including basic structure of human society and of smaller groups, transmission of culture and regulating behavior, acquisition of the social self, violation of norms, stratification by class, race-ethnicity, gender, age, major social institutions, population dynamics, and socio-cultural change.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

◆ SOCI 1306 Social Problems
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course studies specific contemporary topics in sociology in depth. Emphasis is on increasing student awareness of major social problems in the United States, and of possibilities of social action in dealing with problems such as sociobiology, urban society, aging, or sex roles.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

◆ SOCI 2301 Marriage and the Family
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course studies marriage and family life in the United States with emphasis on social and cultural changes affecting the structure of the family, courtship and mate selection, sexual norms and relationships and marital and family relationships throughout the family cycle.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

◆ SOCI 2319 Minority Studies
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course covers the historical, economic, social and cultural development of minority groups. May include Afro-American, Mexican-American and Native-American issues.
Prerequisite: Completion of READ 0100 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

SPANISH

◆ SPAN 1411 Beginning Spanish I for Non-Spanish Speakers
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00
Spanish 1411 is a comprehensive first semester beginning Spanish course designed for students with little or no previous knowledge of Spanish. This course includes instruction and practice in all four basic language skills of speaking, reading, writing, and listening with attention to selected aspects of the Spanish culture. While one of the goals of this course is to learn the basic grammatical structures of the Spanish language, the emphasis will not be on isolated structures but rather on integrating grammar into proficiency-oriented activities. This course will include hands-on activities and computer based exercises to enhance learning.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ SPAN 1412 Beginning Spanish II for Non-Spanish Speakers
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00
Spanish 1412 is a comprehensive second semester beginning Spanish course designed for students with little or no previous knowledge of Spanish. This course includes instruction and practice in all four basic language skills of speaking, reading, writing, and listening with attention to selected aspects of the Hispanic culture. While one of the goals of this course is to learn the basic grammatical structures of the Spanish language, the emphasis will not be on isolated structures but rather on integrating grammar into proficiency-oriented activities. This course will include hands-on activities and computer based exercises to enhance learning.
Prerequisite: SPAN 1411, or departmental placement exam.

◆ SPAN 2311 Intermediate Spanish I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
Spanish 2311 is an intermediate Spanish course designed to provide students with the linguistic and learning skills required for successfully completing upper division courses in Spanish. This course includes review of literature, culture and grammar. Furthermore, this course will develop and enhance all language skills through reading, presentation/discussion, and writing analytical literary reviews. In addition, writing skills will be developed, with emphasis on experimenting with various writing styles: analytical, argumentative, descriptive, narrative, and creative.
Prerequisite: SPAN 2311.

◆ SPAN 2313 Spanish for Native/Heritage Speakers I
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
Spanish 2313 builds upon existing oral proficiencies of the heritage speakers of Spanish. This course enhances proficiencies in the home-based language by developing a full range of registers including public speaking and formal written discourse. Emphasis is on comprehension, appreciation, and interpretation of the cultures of the Spanish-speaking world.
Prerequisite: None.

◆ SPAN 2315 Spanish for Native/Heritage Speakers II
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
Spanish 2315 builds upon existing oral proficiencies of the heritage speakers of Spanish. This course enhances proficiencies in the home-based language by developing a full range of registers including public speaking and formal written discourse. Emphasis is on comprehension, appreciation, and interpretation of the cultures of the Spanish-speaking world.
Prerequisite: SPAN 2313.

◆ SPAN 2389 Academic Cooperative
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
Spanish 2389 is an instructional program designed to integrate on-campus study with practical hands-on work experience. In conjunction with class seminars, the individual student will set specific goals and objectives in the study of Spanish language and literature.
Prerequisite: Completion of six hours in Spanish.

SPEECH

◆ SPCH 1311 Introduction to Speech Communication
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course introduces basic human communication principles and theories embedded in a variety of contexts including interpersonal,
small group, and public speaking. 
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**SPCH 1315**
Public Speaking  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course covers the application of communication theory and practice to the public speaking context, with emphasis on audience analysis, speaker delivery, ethics of communication, cultural diversity, and speech organizational techniques to develop students’ speaking abilities, as well as ability to effectively evaluate oral presentations. 
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**SPCH 1318**
Interpersonal Communications  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course covers the application of communication theory to interpersonal relationship development, maintenance, and termination in the relationship contexts including friendships, romantic partners, families, and relationships with co-workers and supervisors. 
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**SPCH 1321**
Business and Professional Communication  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is the study and application of communication within the business and professional context. Special emphasis will be given to communication competencies in presentations, dyads, teams and technologically mediated formats. 
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**SPCH 2333**
Discussion and Small Group Communication  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course studies discussion and small group theories and techniques as they relate to group process and interaction. 
Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading, or equivalent.

**SPCH 2335**
Argumentation and Debate  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course emphasizes theories and practice in argumentation and debate including analysis, reasoning, organization, evidence, and refutation. 
Prerequisite: Completion of ENGL 1301.

**SPCH 2389**
Academic Cooperative  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is an instructional program designed to integrate on-campus study with practical hands-on work experience. In conjunction with class seminars, the individual student will set specific goals and objectives in the study of speech. 
Prerequisite: Permission from the department.

**TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT**

**TMGT 3302**
Business and Economic Statistics  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course introduces descriptive statistics (measures of central tendency, variances, and graphic representation of data), and statistical inferences. Statistical inferences will involve sampling techniques, estimation, testing of hypotheses and regression analysis. 
Prerequisites: Junior standing and MATH 1414 or MATH 1442.

**TMGT 3303**
Managerial Report and Documentation  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is a hands-on approach to procedures and techniques that enhance inter and extra organizational relations. Internally, the purpose is to improve people relations; externally, the purpose is to improve community perception of the organization. The course emphasizes all kinds of professional communication skills such as business presentations, technical reports, research reports, oral presentations and business etiquette. 
Prerequisite: Junior standing and ENGL 1302.

**TMGT 3305**
Organizational Theory and Practice  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
This course is an examination of contemporary theory and practice of management. It provides an overview of the management process and the functions of planning, organizing, leading, and controlling to accomplish goals. Emphasis is placed on the study of organizational structure and managing organizational change. 
Prerequisite: Junior Standing and BUSI 1301 or LMG 1319, and TMGT 1301 or HRPO 2301.

**TMGT 3310**
Decision Making  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
Analytic and systematic approach to the study of decision making through management science processes and techniques. Topics include quantitative analysis and decision-making relationships, simulation and risk analysis, and decision analysis using various criteria. 
Prerequisites: Junior standing and MATH 1414 or MATH 1442.

**TMGT 3311**
Technology in Enterprise Management  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:02  
The use of technology in commercial and industrial enterprises. Topics include the use of computers and software in communication, inventory management, production, automation, sales, and financial forecasting. 
Prerequisites: Junior standing.

**TMGT 3312**
Resource Management  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
An examination of the tools and methods used to manage the physical and personnel assets of an enterprise. Topics include inventory techniques, asset allocation, human resources, and financial management. 
Prerequisites: TMGT 3302, TMGT 3303, TMGT 3305, and TMGT 3310.

**TMGT 3321**
Supply Chain Management  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
The purpose of this course is the overview of the entire supply chain: manufacturers, service providers, distributors, sales channels, e.g. retail, e-commerce, and consumers. Students will study and analyze interaction among purchasing, materials management, logistics, warehouse/distribution center management, and contracts in developing an efficient and effective supply chain. Emphasis is placed on the dynamic nature of supply chain management and services given the impact of the global economy. 
Prerequisite: TMGT 3312.

**TMGT 3322**
Logistics Management  
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00  
The course studies the flow of raw material, energy, information, products, services, and people in a business. The course provides a system approach to managing activities associated with traffic, transportation, inventory management and control.
warehousing, material handling, packaging, order processing, and information. Special attention is given to production logistics.

**Prequisite:** TMGT 3312.

**TMGT 3336 Management and Law**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course is an introductory study of local, state, federal, and international laws affecting organizational practices. The course focuses on the legal framework that is considered in managerial and entrepreneurial activities. Emphasis is given to the basic principles of law that shape managerial and entrepreneurial behavior.

**Prequisite:** Junior standing.

**TMGT 3337 Decision Making Economics**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course is a study of the role of economics in entrepreneurial and managerial decision making. The course includes the application of macro and microeconomics concepts in managerial problem solving. Emphasis is given to economic public policies and to the evolution of the global economy.

**Prequisites:** ECON 2301, ECON 2302, TMGT 3302, and TMGT 3310.

**TMGT 3338 Accounting for Managers**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course studies the role of accounting in the management of organizations. The focus is on the use of accounting information by non-financial managers. The emphasis of the course is on interpretation rather than construction of accounting information.

**Prequisites:** ACCT 2401, TMGT 3302 and TMGT 3310.

**TMGT 3340 Quality Assurance, Management and Improvement**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course examines the primary tools and methods used to monitor, improve and control quality in organizations. Topics include the historical development of quality management, the tools for quality improvement, and management strategies and contemporary quality strategies.

**Prequisite:** TMGT 3312.

**TMGT 4304 Safety and Risk Management**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course studies proactive management in addressing operation uncertainties in organizations. Topics include risk assessment, safety analysis and management methods and techniques used in business operations to minimize and control risks and safety. Emphasis is given to the costs as well as to the legal, ethical, and cultural environments surrounding risk and safety considerations.

**Prequisite:** TMGT 3312.

**TMGT 4320 Organizational Design and Management Seminar**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course is a critical study of specific organizational structures and operations. The course uses a case study approach based on real and significant cases. Thereafter, students work in teams on instructor-approved specific case projects. Teams identify problems and formulate, plan and implement actions using technology management problem solving approaches.

**Prequisites:** TMGT 3312, TMGT 3326, TMGT 3337, and TMGT 3338.

**TMGT 4341 Purchasing and Supply Management**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

Examines management issues affecting the inflow and outflow of materials and services into organizations. Topics include purchasing activities, global sourcing, bidding, contract administration, and materials management.

**Prequisite:** TMGT 3312.

**TMGT 4342 Supply Chain Security**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

The course studies the security of the supply chain. The course combines traditional practices of supply chain management with the security requirements of the system. The purpose is to study the creation, development, and enhancement of security practices that deal with concerns driven by threats such as terrorism, piracy, and theft. Special emphasis is given to transport and logistics systems in a global economy.

**Prequisites:** TMGT 3312.

**TMGT 4347 Capstone: Technology Management Practicum**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course immerses students in the workplace of a technology manager. The course work involves the construction of an e-portfolio that demonstrates the professional profile of the student. The portfolio has two components; one, the personal professional profile of the student based on the course work and extra academic work experiences. The second component is the execution of a hands-on case project related to technology management, e.g., operational management, inventory control, supply chain management, logistic, information management. The main factor in evaluating student performance is the input from outsiders to the academia.

**Prequisite:** Senior standing and consent of the program coordinator.

**TMGT 4353 International Business Seminar**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course provides an overview of the international business environment. The course addresses economic, technological, political, social, and cultural factors shaping the evolution of the global economy. Special emphasis is placed on changes in managerial functions and elements of the management process as a result of current global business evolution.

**Prequisite:** TMGT 3337.

**TMGT 4355 The Manager and Civic Engagement Seminar**

CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00

This course uses seminar methodology studying the nature of management and its role in civic and community engagement. The course work emphasizes the role of the manager in shaping the setting of an organization in its environment considering social, political, technological, economic, ethical, cultural factors. Case studies give special attention to the cultural and ethical dimensions of the managerial functions in global community.

**Prequisite:** TMGT 3312, TMGT 3336.

**VOCATIONAL NURSING**

**VNSG 1105 NCLEX-PN Review**

CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:00

This course is a review of nursing knowledge and skills, study skills, stress management techniques, and test-taking strategies to prepare the graduate vocational nurse (GVN) to take the National Licensure Examination-Practical Nurse (NCLEX-PN).

**Prequisite:** Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program.
VNSG 1160
Clinical I-A
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program.

VNSG 1160
Clinical I-B
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program.

VNSG 1161
Clinical I-A
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program.

VNSG 1161
Clinical I-B
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program.

VNSG 1162
Clinical II-B
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:06
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program.

VNSG 1230
Maternal-Neonatal Nursing
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the biological, psychological, and sociological concepts applicable to basic needs of the family including childbearing and neonatal care and utilizes the nursing process in the assessment and management of the childbearing family. Topics include physiological changes related to pregnancy, fetal development, and nursing care of the family during labor and delivery and the puerperium. Emphasis is placed on the bio-psycho-socio-cultural needs of the family during the phases of pregnancy, childbirth, and the neonatal period including abnormal conditions.
Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in VNSG 1162 and VNSG 1261.

VNSG 1234
Pediatrics
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of the care of the pediatric patient and family during health and disease from infancy through adolescence. Focus is on the growth and development needs utilizing the nursing process.
Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in VNSG 1261.

VNSG 1238
Mental Illness
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:00
This course is a study of human behavior with an emphasis on emotional and mental abnormalities and modes of treatment incorporating the nursing process.
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in VNSG 1362 and VNSG 1432.

VNSG 1261
Clinical II-B
CRT HRS:02 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:12
This course is a health-related work based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in VNSG 1320, VNSG 1234, VNSG 1429, VNSG 2331 and permission from the department.

VNSG 1304
Foundations of Nursing
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to the nursing profession including history, standards of practice, legal and ethical issues, and role of the vocational nurse. Topics include mental health, therapeutic communication, cultural and spiritual diversity, nursing process, and holistic awareness.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program.

VNSG 1323
Basic Nursing Skills
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
In this course the student will master entry level nursing skills and competencies for a variety of health care settings. They will utilize the nursing process as the foundation for all nursing interventions.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Vocational Nursing Program.

VNSG 1327
Essentials of Medication Administration
CRT HRS:03 LEC HRS:03 LAB HRS:01
This course provides general principles of medication administration including determination of dosage, preparation, safe administration, and documentation of multiple forms of drugs. Instruction includes various systems of measurement.

VNSG 1362
Clinical III
CRT HRS:01 LEC HRS:00
OFF CAMPUS LAB HRS:18
This course is a health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional.
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in VNSG 1238, VNSG 1432 and permission from the department.

VNSG 1420
Anatomy & Physiology for Allied Health
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00
This course is an introduction to the normal structure (anatomy) and function (physiology) of the human body including an understanding of the relationship of the neuroendocrine, integumentary, musculoskeletal, digestive, urinary, reproductive, respiratory, and circulatory systems in maintaining homeostasis.
Prerequisite: A passing score of 351+ on the Reading TSI Exam or equivalent.

VNSG 1429
Medical-Surgical Nursing I
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00
This course explores application of the nursing process to the care of adult patient experiencing medical-surgical conditions along the health-illness continuum in a variety of health care settings.
Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in VNSG 1162 and VNSG 1261.

VNSG 1432
Medical-Surgical Nursing II
CRT HRS:04 LEC HRS:04 LAB HRS:00
This course is a continuation of Medical-Surgical Nursing I with application of the nursing process to the care of adult patients experiencing medical-surgical conditions along the health-illness continuum in a variety of health care settings.
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in VNSG 1382, VNSG 1238.
VNSG 1500 Nursing in Health and Illness I
CRT HRS:05 ELEC HRS:05 LAB HRS:31
This course is an introduction to general principles of growth and development, primary health care needs of the patient across the life span, and therapeutic nursing interventions.
Prerequisite: Admission to Vocational Nursing Program
Concurrent enrollment: VNSG 1160 and VNSG 1161.

VNSG 1509 Nursing in Health and Illness II
CRT HRS:05 ELEC HRS:05 LAB HRS:31
This course is an introduction to health problems requiring medical and surgical interventions.
Prerequisite: Admission to Vocational Nursing Program
Concurrent enrollment: VNSG 1162 and VNSG 1261.

VNSG 2331 Advanced Nursing Skills
CRT HRS:03 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
The student will master advanced level nursing skills and competencies in a variety of health care settings utilizing the nursing process as a problem-solving tool.
Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in VNSG 1162 and VNSG 1261.

VNSG 2510 Nursing in Health and Illness III
CRT HRS:05 ELEC HRS:05 LAB HRS:31
This course is a continuation of Nursing in Health and Illness II. Further medical-surgical health problems of the patient including concepts such as mental illness. Incorporates knowledge necessary to make the transition from student to graduate vocational nurse.

WELDING

WLDG 1312 Introduction to Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW)
CRT HRS:03 ELEC HRS:01 LAB HRS:06
This course is an overview of terminology, safety procedures, and equipment set-up. Practice in performing T-joints, lap joints, and but joints using Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW) equipment.
Prerequisite: WLDG 1313, MCHN 1343, WLDG 1428, WLDG 1430.

WLDG 1313 Introduction to Blueprint Reading for Welders
CRT HRS:03 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:04
This course is a study of industrial blueprints. Emphasis is placed on terminology, symbols, graphic description, and welding processes. Includes systems of measurement and industry standards. Also includes interpretation of plans and drawings used by industry to facilitate field application and production.
Prerequisite: None.

WLDG 1417 Introduction to Layout and Fabrication
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
A fundamental course in layout and fabrication related to the welding industry. Major emphasis is on structural shapes and use in construction.
Prerequisite: WLDG 1313, MCHN 1343, WLDG 1428, WLDG 1430.

WLDG 1428 Introduction to Shielded Metal ARC Welding (SMAW)
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is an introduction to shielded metal arc welding process. Emphasis is placed on power sources, electrode selection, oxy-fuel cutting, and various joint designs. Instruction provided in SMAW fillet welds in various positions.
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in WLDG 1313 and MCHN 1343.

WLDG 1430 Introduction to Gas Metal ARC Welding (GMAW)
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is a study of the principles of gas metal arc welding, setup and use of Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) equipment, and safe use of tools/equipment. Instruction covers various joint designs.
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in WLDG 1313 and MCHN 1343.

WLDG 1434 Introduction to Gas Tungsten ARC Welding (GTAW)
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is an introduction to the principles of gas tungsten arc welding (GTAW), setup/use of GTAW equipment, and safe use of tools and equipment. The course covers welding instruction in various positions on joint designs.
Prerequisite: WLDG 1313, MCHN 1343, WLDG 1428, WLDG 1430.

WLDG 1457 Intermediate Shielded Metal ARC Welding (SMAW)
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course is a study of the production of various fillets and groove welds. Focus is on preparation of specimens for testing in all test positions.
Prerequisite: WLDG 1313, MCHN 1343, WLDG 1428, WLDG 1430.

WLDG 2406 Intermediate Pipe Welding
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This is a comprehensive course on the welding of pipe using the shielded metal arc welding (SMAW) process. Position of welds will be 1G, 2G, 5G, and 6G using various electrodes. Topics covered include electrode selection, equipment setup, and safe shop practices.
Prerequisite: WLDG 1312, WLDG 1417, WLDG 1434, WLDG 1457.

WLDG 2413 Capstone: Intermediate Welding Using Multiple Processes
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course covers instruction using layout tools and blueprint reading with demonstration and guided practices with some of the following welding processes: oxy-fuel gas cutting and welding, shield metal arc welding (SMAW), gas metal arc welding (GMAW), flux-cored arc welding (FCAW), gas tungsten arc welding (GTAW), or any other approved welding process.
Prerequisite: WLDG 1457 and WLDG 1434.

WLDG 2435 Advanced Layout and Fabrication
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This is an advanced course in layout and fabrication which includes production and fabrication of layout, tools, and processes. Emphasis is on application of fabrication and layout skills.
Prerequisite: WLDG 1417 with a minimum grade of “C” and WLDG 2413 with a minimum grade of “C.”

WLDG 2451 Advanced Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW)
CRT HRS:04 ELEC HRS:02 LAB HRS:06
This course covers advanced topics in GTAW welding, including welding in various positions and directions.
Prerequisite: WLDG 1434.

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