

# Course Information

## Florida's Statewide Course Numbering System

Courses in this catalog are identified by prefixes and numbers that were assigned by Florida's Statewide Course Numbering System (SCNS). This numbering system is used by all public postsecondary institutions in Florida and 26 participating non-public institutions. The major purpose of this system is to facilitate the transfer of courses between participating institutions. Students and administrators can use the online Statewide Course Numbering System to obtain course descriptions and specific information about course transfer between participating Florida institutions. This information is at the SCNS website at <http://scns.fldoe.org>.

Each participating institution controls the title, credit, and content of its own courses and recommends the first digit of the course number to indicate the level at which students normally take the course. Course prefixes and the last three digits of the course numbers are assigned by members of faculty discipline committees appointed for that purpose by the Florida Department of Education in Tallahassee. Individuals nominated to serve on these committees are selected to maintain a representative balance as to type of institution and discipline field or specialization.

The course prefix and each digit in the course number have a meaning in the Statewide Course Numbering System (SCNS). The list of course prefixes and numbers, along with their generic titles, is referred to as the "SCNS taxonomy." Descriptions of the content of courses are referred to as "statewide course profiles."

### Example of Course Identifier

Prefix	Level Code (first digit)	Century Digit (second digit)	Decade Digit (third digit)	Unit Digit (fourth digit)	Lab Code
ENC	1	1	0	1	
English Composition	Lower (Freshman) Level at this institution	Freshman Composition	Freshman Composition Skills	Freshman Composition Skills I	No laboratory component in this course

### General Rule for Course Equivalencies

Equivalent courses at different institutions are identified by the same prefixes and same last three digits of the course number and are guaranteed to be transferable between participating institutions that offer the course, with a few exceptions. (Exceptions are listed below.)

For example, a freshman composition skills course is offered by 58 different postsecondary institutions. Each institution uses "ENC\_101" to identify its freshman composition skills course. The level code is the first digit and represents the year in which students normally take the course at a specific institution. In the SCNS taxonomy, "ENC" means "English Composition," the century digit "1" represents "Freshman Composition," the decade digit "0" represents "Freshman Composition Skills," and the unit digit "1" represents "Freshman Composition Skills I."

In the sciences and certain other areas, a "C" or "L" after the course number is known as a lab indicator. The "C" represents a combined lecture and laboratory course that meets in the same place at the same time. The "L" represents a laboratory course or the laboratory part of a course, having the same prefix and course number without a lab indicator, which meets at a different time or place.

Transfer of any successfully completed course from one participating institution to another is guaranteed in cases where the course to be transferred is equivalent to one offered by the receiving institution. Equivalencies are established by the same prefix and last three digits and comparable faculty credentials at both institutions. For example, ENC 1101 is offered at a community college. The same course is offered at a state university as ENC 2101. A student who has successfully completed ENC 1101 at the community college is guaranteed to receive transfer credit for ENC 2101 at the state university if the student transfers. The student cannot be required to take ENC 2101 again since ENC 1101 is equivalent to ENC 2101. Transfer credit must be awarded for successfully completed equivalent courses and used by the receiving institution to determine satisfaction of requirements by transfer students on the same basis as credit awarded to the native students. It is the prerogative of the receiving institution, however, to offer transfer credit for courses successfully completed that have not been designated as equivalent. **NOTE:** Credit generated at institutions on the quarter-term system may not transfer the equivalent number of credits to institutions on semester-term systems. For example, 4.0 quarter hours often transfers as 2.67 semester hours.

## The Course Prefix

The course prefix is a three-letter designator for a major division of an academic discipline, subject matter area, or subcategory of knowledge. The prefix is not intended to identify the department in which a course is offered. Rather, the content of a course determines the assigned prefix to identify the course.

## Authority for Acceptance of Equivalent Courses

### Section 1007.24(7), Florida Statutes, states:

Any student who transfers among postsecondary institutions that are fully accredited by a regional or national accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education and that participate in the statewide course numbering system shall be awarded credit by the receiving institution for courses satisfactorily completed by the student at the previous institutions. Credit shall be awarded if the courses are judged by the appropriate statewide course numbering system faculty committees representing school districts, public postsecondary educational institutions, and participating nonpublic postsecondary educational institutions to be academically equivalent to courses offered at the receiving institution, including equivalency of faculty credentials, regardless of the public or nonpublic control of the previous institution. The Department of Education shall ensure that credits to be accepted by a receiving institution are generated in courses for which the faculty possess credentials that are comparable to those required by the accrediting association of the receiving institution. The award of credit may be limited to courses that are entered in the statewide course numbering system. Credits awarded pursuant to this subsection shall satisfy institutional requirements on the same basis as credits awarded to native students.

## Exceptions to the General Rule for Equivalency

Since the initial implementation of the SCNS, specific disciplines or types of courses have been excepted from the guarantee of transfer for equivalent courses. These include varying topics courses that must be evaluated individually, or applied courses in which the student must be evaluated for mastery of skill and technique. The following courses are exceptions to

the general rule for course equivalencies and may not transfer. Transferability is at the discretion of the receiving institution.

- A. Courses not offered by the receiving institution.
- B. For courses at non-regionally accredited institutions, courses offered prior to the established transfer date of the course in question.
- C. Courses in the \_900-999 series are not automatically transferable, and must be evaluated individually. These include such courses as Special Topics, Internships, Practica, Study Abroad, Thesis and Dissertations.
- D. College preparatory and vocational preparatory courses.
- E. Graduate courses.
- F. Internships, practica, clinical experiences and study abroad courses with numbers other than those ranging from 900-999.
- G. Applied courses in the performing arts (Art, Dance, Interior Design, Music, and Theatre) and skills courses in Criminal Justice are not guaranteed as transferable.

## Courses at Non-regionally Accredited Institutions

The Statewide Course Numbering System makes available on its home page (<http://scns.fldoe.org>) a report entitled "Courses at Nonregionally Accredited Institutions" that contains a comprehensive listing of all nonpublic institution courses in the SCNS inventory, as well as each course's transfer level and transfer effective date. This report is updated monthly.

Questions about the Statewide Course Numbering System and appeals regarding course credit transfer decisions should be directed to Admissions, Registration and Records Officer at Hillsborough Community College, P.O. Box 31127, Tampa, FL, or the Florida Department of Education, Office of Articulation, 1401 Turlington Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400. Special reports and technical information may be requested by calling the Statewide Course Numbering System office at (850) 245-0427 or via the internet at <http://scns.fldoe.org>

**Course Offerings by Prefix**

ACG	Accounting: General	ENL	English Literature
ACR	Air Conditioning/Refrigeration: Technology	ESC	Earth Science
ADV	Advertising	EST	Electronic Specialty Technology
AEB	Agricultural Economics & Business	ETD	Engineering Tech: Drafting
AER	Automotive/Engine Repair	ETI	Engineering Tech: Industrial
AFA	Afro American Studies	ETM	Engineering Tech: Mechanical
AFR	Aerospace Studies	EUH	European History
AMH	American History	EVR	Environmental Studies
AML	American Literature	EVS	Environmental Science
ANT	Anthropology	FAS	Aquacultural Science
APA	Applied Accounting	FFP	Fire Fighting & Protection
ARC	Architecture	FIL	Film
ARH	Art History	FIN	Finance
ARR	Autobody Repair & Refinishing	FNR	Forestry & Natural Resources
ART	Art	FOS	Food Science
ASL	American Sign Language	FRE	French Language
AST	Astronomy	FSS	Food Service Systems
ATE	Animal Science Technology	GCO	Golf Course Operations
BCA	Building Construction Apprenticeship	GEB	General Business
BCN	Building Construction	GER	German & Germanic Language
BCT	Building Construction Trades	GEY	Gerontology
BCV	Building Construction: Vocational	GIS	Geography Information Science
BOT	Botany	GLY	Geology
BRC	Banking: Related Course	GRA	Graphic Arts
BSC	Biological Science	HEV	Home Economics Vocational
BUL	Business Law	HFT	Hotel & Restaurant
CAP	Computer Applications	HIM	Health Information Management
CCJ	Criminology & Criminal Justice	HIS	History: General
CDA	Computer Design / Architecture	HLP	Health, Leisure, Phys Ed
CEN	Computer Engineering	HOS	Horticultural Sciences
CET	Computer Engineering Tech	HSC	Health Science
CGS	Computers: General Studies	HUM	Humanities
CHD	Child Development	HUN	Human Nutrition
CHM	Chemistry	HUS	Human Services
CIS	Computer & Information System	IDH	Interdisciplinary Honors
CJC	Corrections	IDS	Interdisciplinary Studies
CJD	Criminal Justice Development	INT	Sign Language Interpreting
CJE	Law Enforcement	IPM	Integrated Pest Management
CJK	Criminal Justice Basic Training	ISC	Interdisciplinary Science
CJL	Law and Process	ISS	Interdisciplinary Social Science
CJT	Criminal Justice Technology	ITA	Italian Language
CLP	Clinical Psychology	JOU	Journalism
CNT	Computer Networks	LAH	Latin American History
COP	Computer Programming	LDE	Landscape Design
CRW	Creative Writing	LIN	Linguistics
CTS	Computer Technology and Skills	LIS	Library Science
DAA	Dance Activities	LIT	Literatures
DAN	Dance	MAC	Mathematics: Calculus & Pre calculus
DEA	Dental Assisting	MAD	Mathematics: Discrete
DEH	Dental Hygiene	MAN	Management
DEP	Developmental Psychology	MAP	Mathematics: Applied
DES	Dental Support	MAR	Marketing
DIE	Dietetics	MAS	Mathematics: Algebraic Structures
DSC	Domestic Security	MAT	Mathematics: General
EAP	English Academic Purposes	MCB	Microbiology
ECO	Economics	MET	Meteorology
EDF	Education: Foundations	MGF	Mathematics: General & Finite
EDG	Education: General	MKA	Marketing Applications
EDP	Educational Psychology	MMC	Mass Media Communication
EEC	Education: Early Childhood	MNA	Management: Applied
EET	Electronic Engineering Technology	MSL	Military Science Leadership
EGS	Engineering: Support	MTB	Mathematics: Technical & Business
EHD	Education: Hard of Hearing & Deaf	MTG	Mathematics: Topology & Geometry
EME	Education: Technology & Media	MUL	Music: Literature
EMS	Emergency Medical Services	MUM	Music: Commercial
ENC	English Composition	MUN	Music: Music Ensembles
ENG	English: General	MUO	Music: Opera/Musical Theatre
		MUS	Music
		MUT	Music: Theory

MVB	Music: Brasses
MVK	Music: Keyboard
MVP	Music: Percussion
MVS	Music: Strings
MVV	Music: Voice
MVW	Music: Woodwinds
NMT	Nuclear Medical Technology
NUR	Nursing Practice & Theory
OCB	Oceanography: Biological
OPT	Ophthalmic Technology
ORH	Ornamental Horticulture
OST	Office Systems Technology
PCB	Process Biology: Cell & Molecular
PEL	Physical Education: Object Centered
PEM	Physical Education: Performance Centered
PEN	Physical Education: Water
PET	Physical Education Theory
PGY	Photography
PHI	Philosophy
PHY	Physics
PLA	Paralegal/Legal Asst/Legal Administration
PLS	Plant Science
PMT	Precision Metals Technology
POS	Political Science
PSC	Physical Sciences
PSY	Psychology
PTA	Precision Metals Technology
RAT	Radiation Therapy
REA	Reading
REL	Religion
RET	Respiratory Therapy
RTE	Radiologic Technology
RTV	Radio Television
SBM	Small Business Management
SCC	Security
SLS	Student Life Skills
SON	Sonography: Diagnostic Ultra
SOP	Social Psychology
SOS	Soil Science
SPA	Speech Pathology & Audiology
SPC	Speech Communication
SPN	Spanish Language
STA	Statistics
SUR	Surveying & Related Areas
SYG	Sociology: General
TAR	Technical Architecture
TAX	Taxation
THE	Theatre
TPA	Theatre Production & Administration
TPP	Theatre Performance & Training
VIC	Visual Communication
WOH	World History
ZOO	Zoology

Architecture.....	ARC
Art History .....	ARH
Art.....	ART
Astronomy.....	AST
Autobody Repair & Refinishing.....	ARR
Automotive/Engine Repair.....	AER
Banking: Related Course.....	BRC
Biological Science .....	BSC
Botany .....	BOT
Building Construction Apprenticeship.....	BCA
Building Construction Trades .....	BCT
Building Construction .....	BCN
Building Construction: Vocational .....	BCV
Business Law.....	BUL
Chemistry .....	CHM
Child Development.....	CHD
Clinical Psychology.....	CLP
Computer & Information Systems.....	CIS
Computer Applications.....	CAP
Computer Design/Architecture.....	CDA
Computer Engineering Technology .....	CET
Computer Engineering .....	CEN
Computer Networks .....	CNT
Computer Programming.....	COP
Computer Technology and Skills.....	CTS
Computers: General Studies .....	CGS
Corrections .....	CJC
Creative Writing .....	CRW
Criminal Justice Basic Training .....	CJK
Criminal Justice Development .....	CJD
Criminal Justice Technology.....	CJT
Criminology & Criminal Justice.....	CCJ
Dance Activities.....	DAA
Dance.....	DAN
Dental Assisting.....	DEA
Dental Hygiene.....	DEH
Dental Support.....	DES
Developmental Psychology .....	DEP
Dietetics .....	DIE
Domestic Security.....	DSC
Earth Science .....	ESC
Economics.....	ECO
Education: Early Childhood .....	EEC
Education: Foundations.....	EDF
Education: General.....	EDG
Education: Hard of Hearing & Deaf.....	EHD
Education: Technology & Media.....	EME
Educational Psychology .....	EDP
Electronic Engineering Technology .....	EET
Electronic Specialty Technology .....	EST
Emergency Medical Services .....	EMS
Engineering Technology: Drafting .....	ETD
Engineering Technology: Industrial.....	ETI
Engineering Technology: Mechanical .....	ETM
Engineering: Support.....	EGS
English Academic Purposes .....	EAP
English Composition.....	ENC
English Literature.....	ENL
English: General.....	ENG
Environmental Science .....	EVS
Environmental Studies .....	EVR
European History .....	EUH
Film.....	FIL
Finance .....	FIN
Fire Fighting & Protection.....	FFP
Food Science.....	FOS
Food Service Systems.....	FSS
Forestry & Natural Resources .....	FNR
French Language .....	FRE

### Course Offerings by Subject Matter

Accounting: General .....	ACG
Advertising.....	ADV
Aerospace Studies .....	AFR
Afro American Studies .....	AFA
Agricultural Economics & Business .....	AEB
Air Conditioning/Refrigeration: Technology.....	ACR
American History .....	AMH
American Literature.....	AML
American Sign Language .....	ASL
Animal Science Technology.....	ATE
Anthropology.....	ANT
Applied Accounting.....	APA
Aquacultural Science .....	FAS

General Business.....	GEB	Music: Percussion.....	MVP
Geography Information Science.....	GIS	Music: Strings.....	MVS
Geology.....	GLY	Music: Theory.....	MUT
German & Germanic Language.....	GER	Music: Voice.....	MVV
Gerontology.....	GEY	Music: Woodwinds.....	MVW
Golf Course Operations.....	GCO	Nuclear Medical Technology.....	NMT
Graphic Arts.....	GRA	Nursing Practice & Theory.....	NUR
Health Information Management.....	HIM	Oceanography: Biological.....	OCB
Health Science.....	HSC	Office Systems Technology.....	OST
Health, Leisure, Phys Ed.....	HLP	Ophthalmic Technology.....	OPT
History: General.....	HIS	Ornamental Horticulture.....	ORH
Home Economics Vocational.....	HEV	Paralegal/Legal Asst/Legal Administration.....	PLA
Horticultural Sciences.....	HOS	Philosophy.....	PHI
Hotel & Restaurant.....	HFT	Photography.....	PGY
Human Nutrition.....	HUN	Physical Education Theory.....	PET
Human Services.....	HUS	Physical Education: Object Centered.....	PEL
Humanities.....	HUM	Physical Education: Performance Centered.....	PEM
Integrated Pest Management.....	IPM	Physical Education: Water.....	PEN
Interdisciplinary Honors.....	IDH	Physical Sciences.....	PSC
Interdisciplinary Science.....	ISC	Physics.....	PHY
Interdisciplinary Social Science.....	ISS	Plant Science.....	PLS
Interdisciplinary Studies.....	IDS	Political Science.....	POS
Italian Language.....	ITA	Precision Metals Technology.....	PMT
Journalism.....	JOU	Precision Metals Technology.....	PTA
Landscape Design.....	LDE	Process Biology: Cellular & Molecular.....	PCB
Latin American History.....	LAH	Psychology.....	PSY
Law and Process.....	CJL	Radiation Therapy.....	RAT
Law Enforcement.....	CJE	Radio Television.....	RTV
Library Science.....	LIS	Radiologic Technology.....	RTE
Linguistics.....	LIN	Reading.....	REA
Literatures.....	LIT	Religion.....	REL
Management.....	MAN	Respiratory Therapy.....	RET
Management: Applied.....	MNA	Security.....	SCC
Marketing Applications.....	MKA	Sign Language Interpreting.....	INT
Marketing.....	MAR	Small Business Management.....	SBM
Mass Media Communication.....	MMC	Social Psychology.....	SOP
Mathematics: Algebraic Structures.....	MAS	Sociology: General.....	SYG
Mathematics: Applied.....	MAP	Soil Science.....	SOS
Mathematics: Calculus & Precalculus.....	MAC	Sonography: Diagnostic Ultra.....	SON
Mathematics: Discrete.....	MAD	Spanish Language.....	SPN
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Mathematics: Topology & Geometry.....	MTG	Student Life Skills.....	SLS
Meteorology.....	MET	Surveying & Related Areas.....	SUR
Microbiology.....	MCB	Taxation.....	TAX
Military Science Leadership.....	MSL	Technical Architecture.....	TAR
Music.....	MUS	Theatre Performance & Training.....	TPP
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