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College Preparatory Curriculum

The College Preparatory Curriculum is designed to improve students’ performance in reading, writing, and mathematics. Students earning scores below the state-mandated minimum scores on the college placement test must enroll in college preparatory communication and computation instruction. Depending on the areas needing remediation, students will be placed into college preparatory writing, reading, and/or computation courses. In addition, students who earn below the state-mandated scores on one or more sections of the college placement test must complete a) SLS 1501, or b) SLS 1101 and REA 1605, or c) SLS 1101 and SLS 1533 before moving on to college-level courses.

Students whose diagnostic tests indicate they need instruction in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) will be enrolled in the alternate EAP series of courses. Students who test into college preparatory reading must meet the appropriate reading requirement before beginning the mathematics sequence (REA 0001 before MAT 0012 and REA 0002 before MAT 0024).

Students who have not completed all of their college preparatory courses by the time they have earned 12 hours of college-level credit must register simultaneously for their required preparatory courses and any college-level credit courses for which they are eligible to take. These students may enroll in no more than two college preparatory courses per semester and in no more than 13 credit hours per term.

Students attempting a college preparatory course for the third time will be charged the full cost of instruction (withdrawal from a course counts as an attempt). Students who have serious extenuating circumstances may petition the appropriate campus dean of student services for an exemption from paying the full cost of instruction. Students who fail to satisfactorily complete a preparatory course within three attempts will not be allowed to register again for that course. However, the College encourages such students to enroll in continuing education courses or private vendor programs that are designed to improve students’ college-entry skills. Students who can document that they have completed such courses/programs may retake the placement test (F.S. 1008.30).

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<td>College Preparatory Writing Skills I</td>
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<td>College Preparatory Writing Skills II</td>
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<td>MAT 0012</td>
<td>Pre-Algebra</td>
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<td>MAT 0024</td>
<td>Beginning Algebra</td>
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<td>SLS 1101</td>
<td>Orientation</td>
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<td>REA 1605</td>
<td>College Study Skills</td>
<td>2 cr.</td>
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Suggested electives to take with preparatory course work:

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<td>Applied Word Processing</td>
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<td>CLP 1000</td>
<td>Psychology of Personal Growth</td>
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<td>FIN 1100</td>
<td>Personal Finance</td>
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<td>OST 1142</td>
<td>Keyboarding I</td>
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<td>OST 1741</td>
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<td>*REA 1105</td>
<td>College Reading</td>
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<td>*REA 2505</td>
<td>Vocabulary Improvement</td>
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<td>SLS 1301</td>
<td>Career Decision-Making</td>
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<td>SLS 1533</td>
<td>Math Study Skills</td>
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* Based on completion of College Preparatory Reading Skills
English For Academic Purposes (EAP)

(Formerly known as ESL/ENS)

Courses in English for Academic Purposes are offered at the Ybor City and Dale Mabry campuses.

The six levels of instruction are designed to help non-native English speakers reach a level of proficiency that will prepare them for better employment or academic opportunities.

EAP courses are as follows:

College Preparatory Level

EAP 0100 Speech/Listening I 3 cr.
EAP 0120 Reading I 3 cr.
EAP 0140 Writing I 3 cr.
EAP 0160 Grammar I 3 cr.
EAP 0200 Speech/Listening II 3 cr.
EAP 0220 Reading II 3 cr.
EAP 0240 Writing II 3 cr.
EAP 0260 Grammar II 3 cr.
EAP 0300 Speech/Listening III 3 cr.
EAP 0320 Reading III 3 cr.
EAP 0340 Writing III 3 cr.
EAP 0360 Grammar III 3 cr.

EAP 0400 Speech/Listening IV 3 cr.
EAP 0420 Reading IV 3 cr.
EAP 0440 Writing IV 3 cr.
EAP 0460 Grammar IV 3 cr.

Associate in Arts Degree Elective Level
(up to 12 cr. hrs.)

EAP 1500 Speech/Listening V 3 cr.
EAP 1500L Speech/Listening Lab V 1 cr.
EAP 1520 Reading V 3 cr.
EAP 1520L Reading Lab V 1 cr.
EAP 1540 Writing V 3 cr.
EAP 1540L Writing Lab V 1 cr.
EAP 1560 Speech/Listening VI 3 cr.
EAP 1560L Speech/Listening Lab VI 1 cr.
EAP 1600 Reading VI 3 cr.
EAP 1600L Reading Lab VI 1 cr.
EAP 1640 Writing VI 3 cr.
EAP 1640L Writing Lab VI 1 cr.

For more information about the EAP program, call 253-7744.

The Associate Degree

Hillsborough Community College offers associate in arts (AA), associate in science (AS), and associate in applied science (AAS) degrees.

The AA degree is awarded to students who complete university transfer curricula designed to prepare them to enter as juniors at a four-year college or university.

The AS degree is awarded to students who complete technical programs. The AS degree is designed to prepare students for the workforce. A number of these degrees are designed so that students who earn them may transfer their credits into specialized programs at four-year institutions. In addition, students who earn one AS degree may qualify for another. Students wishing to earn a second AS degree must complete at least 15 hours at HCC beyond the first degree. Moreover, they must meet all requirements for the second degree.

The AAS degree is also awarded to students who complete a technical program. However, the AAS degree is designed to be an entry-level, job-preparation degree. It is not designed for transfer to a four-year institution.

To ensure a well-rounded education, degree curricula include general education courses within communications, humanities, natural sciences, mathematics and social and behavioral sciences. Where options are available, they are noted.

Time to Degree and Common Prerequisites

Florida statutes require that associate in arts degrees require no more than 60 credit hours. Those statutes also mandate that the general education courses required for the associates in arts degrees be distributed within designated categories. Courses that comprise the 24 hours of electives may be designated for university program entry.
**Graduation Requirements**

To earn an AA, an AS, or an AAS degree, students must:

- Complete the approved curriculum of not less than 60 credits including General Education Requirements, program requirements, and electives.
- Fulfill the degree requirements under the catalog in effect during the semester that begins the period of continuous enrollment that immediately precedes the semester in which the student applies for graduation.

**NOTE:** Continuous enrollment is maintained by registering for at least one term each academic year. If a student’s enrollment is interrupted for more than an academic year, the student will be considered a former student returning. A former student returning is required to meet the graduation requirements of the catalog in effect during the semester that begins the period of continuous enrollment that immediately precedes the semester in which the student applies for graduation.

- Earn at least 25 percent of the credit hours applicable to the degree in residence at HCC.

**In addition:**
- No more than four credit hours of physical education activity/skills courses may be applied toward a degree.
- Students may apply only 12 hours of EAP college-level credits toward a degree.
- Students must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA, and their GPA in HCC courses must be 2.0.

**NOTE:** Credits from other colleges will be used in computing the GPA.
- Students must complete the capstone course for the AA degree. Prior to taking the course, students must have completed at least 45 hours of coursework towards the degree, including at least 24 hours of general education coursework with a minimum grade of “C.”
- Students must earn appropriate CLAST scores for the AA degree (see CLAST) or satisfy one of the approved CLAST exemption alternatives.
- Candidates must complete an application for graduation before the deadline (see the College operational calendar). Students who wish to receive a diploma must pay a $10 fee at the time they apply for graduation. Students applying for multiple degrees must pay $10 for each diploma requested.
- Candidates must fulfill all financial obligations to HCC.

**Programs are subject to change.**

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Students are advised to obtain current information from an HCC Counseling and Advising office prior to registering for classes.