

Definition of Remedial Coursework

Remedial coursework consists of pre-collegiate basic skills courses.

Assessment of Student Need

A student's need for remedial coursework shall be recommended using multiple measures in one or more of the following areas: high school coursework, high school grades, high school GPA, or other appropriate measures. It must be noted that a student may bypass remediation based on any one measure. A student may be required to enroll in concurrent support, including additional language support for English as a Second Language. No student shall be required to enroll in remedial English or mathematics coursework that lengthens their time to complete a degree unless one of the aforementioned measures shows students are highly unlikely to succeed in transfer-level English or mathematics.

Limits to Remediation

No student shall receive more than 30 semester units for remedial coursework. Upon completion of 30 units in pre-collegiate basic skills courses, students who do not qualify for a waiver of this limitation (described below) will receive notification that they are no longer eligible to enroll in additional remedial courses. A student who exhausts the unit limitation and does not receive approval of a waiver shall be referred to appropriate adult noncredit education services.

Students who earn units in pre-collegiate basic skills courses at universities or other community colleges and then transfer to El Camino College will not have those units counted as part of the remedial limitation.

Eligibility for Waiver

Students who demonstrate significant, measurable progress toward development of skills appropriate to enrollment in degree-applicable credit courses may be granted a waiver of the limitations of this procedure. Such waivers shall be reviewed and approved by the Academic Dean relevant to the coursework being waived, and the Director of the Special Resource Center, if applicable.

Conditions of Reinstatement

A student who successfully completes remedial coursework or who demonstrates skills levels which will reasonably assure success in degree-applicable courses may request reinstatement to proceed with such coursework.

Exemptions

Students enrolled in one or more courses of English as a Second Language (ESL) and students identified as having a documented disability are exempt from the limitations of this procedure.

Dissemination of Policy on Remedial Coursework Limitation

The District catalog shall include a clear statement of the limited applicability of remedial coursework toward fulfilling degree requirements and any exemptions that may apply to this limitation.

References:

Title 5, Sections 55000 and 55035

ACCJC Accreditation Standard II.A.4

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