

Special Academic Policies

Orientation /Student Development

All curricular students, except those in career studies certificate programs, shall participate in SDV 100, 101 or 108 which are courses designed primarily to foster student success. This course should be completed within the first 15 credit hours of enrollment at the community college, unless the student is not required to complete an SDV course because it is waived. The requirement may be waived for students who hold an Associate Degree or Bachelor's Degree from a regionally accredited institution. Other requests for a waiver may be considered on a case-by-case basis. Students must still successfully complete the required number of credits for their degree.

Auditing a Course

Students desiring to attend a course without taking examinations or receiving credit for the course do so by registering to audit that course during the add/drop period. Students pay the regular tuition. Permission of the faculty member and appropriate dean is required to audit a course.

Audited courses carry no credit and do not count as a part of the student's course load. Students desiring to change status in a course from audit to credit must do so by the last date to be eligible for a refund for the course. Changes from credit to audit must be made by the official last day for students to withdraw from a course without penalty. Financial aid is not allowed to pay for audited courses.

Waiver of Requirements

Several programs allow the waiving of a course requirement under specific conditions. The credit requirement must be satisfied with other credits. Any student planning to take advantage of an allowable course waiver must meet the catalog-stated conditions. Students are advised to consult with a faculty advisor or counselor in selecting suitable alternative credits.

Transfer between Curricula

As students proceed in their studies, they may decide to change their program or curriculum. Students are encouraged to make an appointment with a counselor or faculty advisor for assistance.