

## College level course taking assessment

Students will take a First Year Experience course at STCC to introduce them to college expectations, study skills, academic planning, communication skills, conflict resolution, advocacy career exploration, familiarity with the campus, and technology use. This course will aid Administrators in assessing if students are ready for college level classes. Students will also take the Accuplacer as a method of assessing where students are academically and the areas they are struggling with. Accuplacer information will be used to focus student learning in study sessions, one-on-one tutoring sessions, and group tutoring sessions.

As per the Department of Higher Education, if students have a 2.7 GPA they will automatically be allowed to take college courses. The partners are also investigating the possibility of STCC faculty or Commerce teachers teaching a developmental math and writing course to supplement the instruction students receive. Plans have not been finalized and the partners are only in discussion about this. Students may be able to make use of a co-requisite English 101 with additional supports for students.