

College-Level Communication & Computational Skills

Florida State Board of Education Administrative Rule 6A-10.030

Eastern Florida State College has implemented the following plan to ensure compliance with Florida State Board of Education Administrative Rule 6A-10.030 (Other Assessment Procedures for College-Level Communication and Computation Skills). Students must meet these requirements prior to receipt of an Associate of Arts degree from EFSC.

In compliance with *Florida State Board of Education Administrative Rule 6A-10.030*, the College has established standards through designated courses in mathematics, English composition, humanities, behavioral sciences, and social sciences. Successful placement scores and/or other prerequisites are required for enrollment in all designated courses. A minimum grade of “C” is required in all courses used to satisfy the General Education writing and math requirements of the Associate in Arts degree. **Honors sections of these courses will also satisfy the requirements.**

Math:

Students must complete six (6) semester hours of designated mathematics coursework at the level of college algebra or higher with a grade of “C” or better.

English Composition:

Students must complete six credits including ENC 1101 and ENC 1102, or other designated English Composition courses with a grade of “C” or better. To satisfy the *multiple assignments* criteria in ENC 1101 and ENC 1102, each course will require that a *minimum* of three out-of-class writing assignments be completed. One of those assignments **MUST** be a fully documented research paper with a variety of sources, which earns a grade of “C” or better.

Humanities:

Students must complete six credits from the approved courses with a grade of “C” or better. To satisfy the multiple assignments criteria, each course will require that a minimum of two out-of-class writing assignments be completed, one of which must earn a “C” or better.

Behavioral and Social Sciences:

Students must complete eight credits from the designated behavioral and social sciences courses with a grade of “C” or better. To satisfy the *multiple assignments* criteria, each course will require that a *minimum* of two out-of-class writing assignments be completed and passed with a “C” or better.

Faculty of *designated writing courses* will adhere to the following guidelines:

- Writing assignments must be incorporated into the curriculum of the designated courses and must be computed in the final grade of the course in such a way that the writing component is a requirement for successful course completion.
- All required writing assignments must be completed to earn a passing grade in the course.
- The syllabus of the designated course will include a statement on the College's policy regarding cheating and plagiarism.
- All writing assignments must be a student's original, independently produced work.
- All assignments must conform to standard writing practices which should include:
 - A clearly defined thesis or central idea.
 - Adequate evidence to support the thesis or idea.
 - Awareness and use of the conventions and rules of standard written English.
 - Clear and logical organization.
 - Synthesized discipline content at the course-specific level.
 - Discrimination between credible and unreliable sources of information.
- All writing assignments will conform to style standards appropriate to the course or discipline as determined by the instructor (e.g. MLA, APA)
- Writing assignments used to fulfill the writing requirement may include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Essays
 - Research papers
 - Reports
 - Case Studies
 - Portfolios
- Assignments that are *not acceptable* to meet writing requirements are:
 - Résumés
 - Free-writing or brainstorming
 - Class notes
 - Emails
 - PowerPoint presentations