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for the

State of Mississippi

DUAL ENROLLMENT ACCELERATED PROGRAMS

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Mississippi Dual Enrollment & Advanced Placement

Task Force

History & Mission

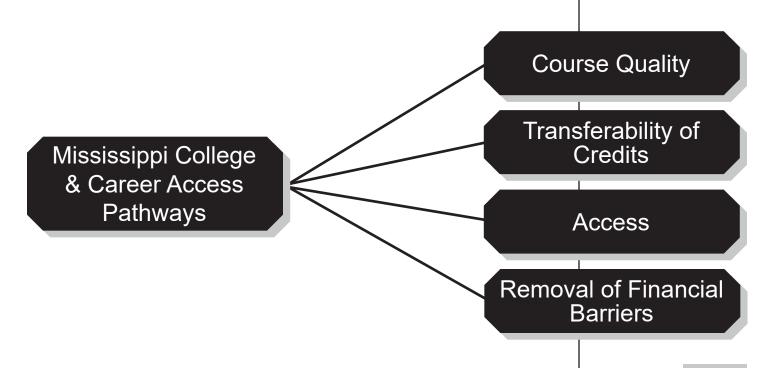
The Mississippi Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement (DE/AP) Task Force was established in January 2016, at the request of the Mississippi Education Achievement Council in order to examine current Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement statewide policies and procedures.

The DE/AP Task Force created a College and Career Access Pathways partnership between K12 districts, MS Community Colleges, and the MS Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL). The goal of the partnership was to provide admission for qualified secondary students and seamless transfer of credits earned to college and career postsecondary institutions.

The Task Force reviewed four core areas of the dual enrollment process:

- 1. Course quality
- 2. Transferability of credit
- 3. Access
- 4. Removal of financial barriers

As a result of the work of the Task
Force, the following Dual Enrollment
and Accelerated Programs Procedures
Manual was developed to support effective and seamless implementation of
dual enrollment and dual credit in Mississippi Public Institutions. The manual
is updated annually and approved by
the MS Community College Academic
Officers' Association and the MS IHL
Chief Academic Officers.



Dual Enrollment & Dual Credit

Overview

See Appendix I for MS Code 37-15-38. Mississippi Code of 1972: 37-15-38 established dual enrollment and dual credit programs for high school and postsecondary credit. The purpose of the Dual Enrollment and Credit Program is to offer structured opportunities for qualified high school students to simultaneously enroll in college courses at Mississippi (public) Institutions of Higher Learning (IHLs) or Mississippi Community or Junior Colleges (CJCs) that provide pathways leading to academic or career technical postsecondary credit.

What is a dual enrolled student?

A dual enrolled student is a student who is enrolled in a community college or state institution of higher learning while enrolled in high school. The student receives postsecondary credit for coursework.

What is a dual credit student?

A dual credit student is a student who is enrolled in a community college or state institution of higher learning while enrolled in high school. The student receives both high school school and postsecondary credit for coursework regardless of the course location (high school campus, postsecondary campus, or online). One three-hour postsecondary course is equal to one high school Carnegie unit. Four-hour postsecondary lab science course(s), either in a four-hour combined format or three-hour lecture plus one-hour matching lab format, is equal to one high school Carnegie unit.

College and Career Pathways (CCP)

- 1. A CCP allows a high school student to take courses aligned to a chosen program of study.
- 2. Students must work with their high school counselor to complete their Individual Success Plan (ISP) and choose a program of study that leads to: a. an industry-recognized certificate;
 - b. an AA/AS/AAS degree; or
 - c. a bachelor's degree.
- 3. High school counselors are encouraged to utilize the Mississippi Articulation and Transfer Tool (MATT) to ensure students select dual enrollment/credit courses applicable to their program of study. https://matttransfertool.com/
- 4. Students may change their program of study with the approval of the high school principal or his/her designee.

Eligibility Requirements and Placement Procedures for Dual Enrollment & Dual Credit

Eligibility is defined as meeting the minimum requirements for admission [e.g., College Preparatory Curriculum, specific grade point average (GPA), specific class rank, specific composite ACT or SAT score to Mississippi's community colleges and public universities. Once admitted to one of Mississippi's community colleges or public universities, students are placed into mathematics, English, and reading courses based on assessment of academic skill level.

Common assessments used for placement include ACT subtest scores by subject area and ACCUPLACER tests. Eligibility requirements were reviewed and affirmed by the Chief Academic Officers of the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, the Mississippi Community Colleges, and Career and Technical Deans and Directors.

According to the Mississippi Association of Community Colleges, beginning with the academic year 2020-2021, for an academic or CTE dual enrollment/dual credit student to be counted in the community college FTE funding formula, the student must meet the eligibility requirements each year of participation.

Academic Eligibility

To be eligible for enrollment, a high school student must meet the following criteria:

- a. Be classified as a junior or higher;
- b. Have a minimum overall high school GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale; and
- c. Obtain an unconditional written recommendation from his/her high school counselor, principal.

OR

- a. Have a minimum high school GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;
- b. Earned a minimum composite ACT score of 30 or the equivalent SAT score; and
- c. Obtain an unconditional written recommendation from his/her high school counselor or principal.

See Appendix II for sample recommendation form.

Career and Technical Education Eligibility

To be eligible for enrollment, a high school student must meet the following criteria:

- a. Be classified as a sophomore or higher;
- b. Have a minimum overall high school GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale; and
- c. Obtain an unconditional recommendation from school administrator/counselor or CTE instructor.

Academic and Career and Technical Education Progression Statement

In addition to the eligibility requirements listed above, students must maintain a minimum 2.0 college GPA to remain eligible for participation in subsequent semesters.

Note: A postsecondary institution has the autonomy to create its own forms. Forms located in the manual are samples and may be altered to meet institutional needs.

Placement

The following ACT subtest scores are used for course placement by Mississippi postsecondary institutions:

Course Placement Score by Institution					
University	College-Level English	College-Level Mathematics	College-Level Reading		
Alcorn State University	17	17	17		
Delta State University	17	20	17		
Jackson State University	17	17	17		
Mississippi State University	17	19	17		
Mississippi University for Women	17	19	17		
Mississippi Valley State University	17	17	17		
University of Mississippi	17	19	17		
University of Southern Mississippi	20	20	17		

IHL Board Policy § 608 establishes 17 as the minimum ACT subtest score for mathematics, English, and reading; however, it gives each IHL university the authority to require higher ACT subtest scores. In lieu of the ACT scores, students may submit equivalent SAT scores.

Community College	College-Level English	College-Level Mathematics	College-Level Reading
Coahoma Community College	17	19	
Copiah-Lincoln Community College	17	19	
East Central Community College	17	19	
East Mississippi Community College	17	19	
Hinds Community College	17	19	
Holmes Community College	17	19	
Itawamba Commmunity College	17	19	
Jones College	17	19	
Meridian Community College	17	19	
Mississippi Delta Community College	17	19	
Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College	17	19	
Northeast Mississippi Community College	17	19	
Northwest Mississippi Community College	17	19	
Pearl River Community College	17	19	
Southwest Mississippi Community College	17	19	

IHL Board Policy §608. Intermediate Courses

- 1. All entering freshmen enrolled at an IHL university with an ACT Mathematics subtest score of 16 or less will be required to take Intermediate Algebra during their first year of enrollment. At the discretion of the admitting IHL institution, students whose Mathematics subtest score is 17, 18, or 19 may be required to take Intermediate Algebra. Students with a minimum ACT subtest score of 15 who have completed the Mississippi Department of Education approved mathematics course with a grade of "80" or higher will not be required to take Intermediate Algebra and should be enrolled in a college-level mathematics course during their first year of enrollment.
- 2. All entering freshmen enrolled at an IHL university with an ACT English subtest score of 16 or less will be required to take Intermediate English during their first year of enrollment. At the discretion of the admitting IHL institution, students whose English subtest score is 17, 18, or 19 may be required to take Intermediate English. Students with a minimum ACT English subtest score of 15 who have completed the Mississippi Department of Education approved literacy transitional course with a grade of "80" or higher will not be required to take Intermediate English and should be enrolled in a college-level English course during their first year of enrollment.
- 3. All entering freshmen enrolled at an IHL university with an ACT Reading subtest score of 16 or less will be required to take Intermediate Reading during their first year of enrollment. At the discretion of the admitting IHL institution, students whose Reading subtest score is 17, 18, or 19 may be required to take Intermediate Reading. Students taking Intermediate Reading should not be permitted to take reading-intensive courses, such as History. Students with a minimum ACT Reading subtest score of 15 who have completed the Mississippi Department of Education approved literacy transitional course with a grade of "80" or higher will not be required to take Intermediate Reading.
- 4. Students taking two or more intermediate courses must enroll in the yearlong Academic Support Program or some other IHL-recognized intervention strategy to promote success in the courses in which they are not fully prepared, according to ACT subtest scores, and will not be permitted to take more than 17 hours.
- 5. Intermediate courses may be delievered through a co-requisite model coupled with a credit-bearing gateway course.
- 6. Regarding course placement using an ACT subtest score, exemptions to this policy based on prior high school course performance, postsecondary course performance, or other academic experiences must be approved by the institution's Chief Academic Officer or designee.

(BT Minutes, 5/2023; 2/2000; 2/2005; 2/2009; 3/2010; 1/2016; 2/2018)

Mississippi Department of Education State Board: Chapter 28: Curriculum Rule 28.6 Essentials for College Math and Essentials for College Literacy Requirements

(*Previously known as the SREB Math Ready and Literacy Ready Courses)

The purpose of the Essentials for College Math and Essentials for College Literacy is to provide the Local Education Agencies (*LEAs) with the policies needed at the school level to teach either course and for students to earn the necessary scores for non-postsecondary remediation.

- 1. In an effort to better prepare high school students for the transition to postsecondary study, Mississippi, in conjunction with Southern Region Educational Board and 17 other states, has developed two courses that align with college and career readiness standards. Based on Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL) Policy 608, students who complete one or both courses with an 80 or above will not be required to take the corresponding remedial courses for College Algebra or English Composition I at any of the eight public Mississippi universities.
- 2. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, any LEA that offers either the Essentials for College Literacy or the Essentials for College Math course must meet the following requirements:
 - a. Teacher must have a valid 7-12 mathematics endorsement (154) or English Language Arts/Literacy (119) endorsement before participating in this training.
 - b. Teacher must attend certification training as offered or approved by the Mississippi Department of Education.
 - c. Teacher must apply for and request to add the 930 supplemental endorsements for the Essentials for College Literacy or the 929 supplemental endorsement for the Essentials for College Math to his/her teaching license with the Mississippi Department of Education Office of Teacher Licensure.
 - d. Students eligible for this class must enter with an ACT sub-score of 15-18 in the respective content area (English or mathematics).
 - e. Students must be classified as a senior for enrollment. An exception to this requirement may include students classified as a junior planning to graduate prior to the spring of their senior year.
- 3. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, all LEAs must offer Essentials for College Math and Essentials for College Literacy.
- 4. LEA failure to adhere to the set forth requirements in Section 2 will be a violation of the Mississippi Accountability Standards 2 and 26.

Source: Miss. Code Ann. §37-1-3, 37-9-7

Effective Date: April 2017

^{**}All 15 Mississippi Community Colleges recognize student completion of Essentials for College Math and/or Essentials of College Literacy with an 80 or above in lieu of corresponding remedial courses for College Algebra or English Composition. Contact the appropriate community college for more information.

Memorandum of Agreement, Course Catalogs, and K12 Student Handbooks

- 1. A board approved Memorandum of Agreement between the LEA (Local Educational Agency) and the MS postsecondary institution shall be established prior to student participation in a dual credit program.
- 2. Postsecondary institutions are encouraged to publish dual enrollment procedures in the annual course catalog or undergraduate bulletin.
- 3. K12 districts are encouraged to publish dual enrollment/dual credit procedures in student handbooks.

Federal Guidelines Pertaining to Dual Enrollment and Dual Credit

- 1. If a student is attending a postsecondary institution at any age the rights under FERPA have transferred to the student. However, in a situation where a student is enrolled in both a high school and a postsecondary institution, the two schools may exchange information on that student. If the student is under 18, the parents still retain the rights under FERPA at the high school and may inspect and review any records sent by the postsecondary institution to the high school. Additionally, the postsecondary institution may disclose personally identifiable information from the student's education records to the parents, without the consent of the eligible student, if the student is a dependent for tax purposes under the IRS rules.
- 2. High school students with a disability wishing to participate in dual enrollment or dual credit must follow the postsecondary procedures for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Postsecondary institutions require students with a disability to identify themselves with the postsecondary.

Dual Credit Course Requirements

- 1. All academic standards of the postsecondary institution must apply to college level courses offered by the postsecondary institution whether on-campus, off-campus, online, or at secondary schools.
- 2. Dual credit courses offered in high schools must:
 - a. Duplicate the course offering, including course content and course requirements, delivered on-campus;
 - b. Employ identical or comparable assignments and grading criteria as courses delivered on-campus;
 - c. Have the same level of academic rigor and comparable standards of evaluation as that of its campus-based equivalent; and
 - d. Must be approved by the on-campus postsecondary administration in the appropriate academic discipline to include the syllabus, textbook(s), teaching methodology, and student assessment strategies.
- 3. Postsecondary institutions shall communicate with the high schools to which they provide dual credit courses regarding:
 - a. Scheduling of courses;
 - b. Compliance with statewide dual credit policy;
 - c. Identification and resolution of problems that occur; and
 - d. Evaluation of each dual credit course.

See Appendix III for sample MOA.

Note: Each postsecondary institution has the autonomy to create its own Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). The MOA located in the manual is a sample and may be altered to meet institutional needs.

See Appendix IV for sample FERPA agreement.

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See Appendix V
for the list of
Academic and Career
Technical Dual Credit
courses.

Course Offerings

- 1. Students may enroll in any course offering from the postsecondary course catalog for dual enrollment. Institutional course pre-requisite and placement policies shall apply.
- 2. Academic dual credit courses are limited to the IHL and CC approved course offering list. The approved dual enrollment/credit courses are articulated to transfer to Mississippi Public Institutions for specific degree programs. For additional information, reference the Mississippi Articulation and Transfer Tool (MATT) located at: https://matttransfertool.com/
- 3. All courses on the approved course list may not be available at each institution. Final course offerings and course approval is dependent upon each institution.
- 4. Articulation agreements between institutions are not considered dual enrollment/credit partnerships. For example, completion of certain high school courses can articulate upon admission or transfer to a postsecondary credit.
- 5. Early College High Schools and Middle College Programs are exempt from the approved course offering list.
- 6. Dual credit Career Technical courses are determined by the individual postsecondary institutions.
- 7. K12 districts must refer to MDE guidelines for dual credit as it relates to the Mississippi Public Accountability Standards.

Course Enrollment & Withdrawal Procedures

- Students must complete all enrollment application processes for the dual enrollment/credit program. The processes include completing both college and high school required documents.
- 2. K12 districts shall create a course withdrawal procedural check list for students and parents utilizing the withdrawal procedures from their partnering postsecondary institutions.

Faculty/Instructor Qualifications

Academic

High school instructors of dual credit courses are adjunct instructors of the post-secondary institution providing dual credit. As for any postsecondary course, high school instructors of dual credit courses shall meet the faculty qualification requirements outlined by the postsecondary institution and must comply with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) accreditation requirements.

- a. Instructors shall possess a master's degree in the discipline or subfield in which they teach.
- b. Instructors with a master's degree in a discipline or subfield, other than that in which they are teaching, must have completed a minimum of 18 graduate credit hours in the discipline or subfield in which they are teaching.
- c. Certain course offerings may require additional or specific qualifications not outlined in section a or b. Faculty qualifications are determined by the partnering postsecondary institution.
- d. K12 districts must receive instructor approval from the partnering postsecondary institution prior to scheduling students for dual enrollment courses.

Career and Technical

Career and Technical faculty qualifications are located within the Mississippi Community College Board (MCCB) Qualifications Manual for Postsecondary Career and Technical Education Instructors found at: http://www.mccb.edu/wkfEdu/ctdefault.aspx. Faculty qualifications are determined by the partnering postsecondary institution.

Faculty/Instructor Support

- 1. New instructors must participate in orientation activities provided by the postsecondary institution.
- 2. In order to assure the comparability of a dual credit course offered at the high school by a high school instructor with the corresponding on-campus course, academic departments at the postsecondary institution shall provide instructors of dual credit courses with:
 - a. Opportunities to discuss concerns and share information with other faculty and the postsecondary institution;
 - b. Access to appropriate professional development opportunities, and/or
 - c. Mentoring offered either exclusively to dual credit instructors or to both campus-based faculty and dual credit instructors.
- 3. Off-campus instructors shall be evaluated regularly in accordance with established institutional policies and procedures.
 - a. Regular on-site course evaluations at the high school shall occur.
 - b. Annual reports of student performance and feedback shall also be utilized and analyzed with respect to the continuation of the dual credit instructor.

Dual Enrollment as it Relates to Scholarships

Courses taken as dual credit or dual enrollment while a student is in high school will not adversely affect any institutional scholarship or state grant opportunities for first-time college students when a student graduates from high school and enrolls in a university. The IHL Office of Strategic Research and all 8 public universities use the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) guidelines for determining how to report first-time college students.

The following credits do not count toward a student's first-time college student classification:

- a. Credit for military service/training from an association such as the American Council on Education;
- b. Credit from any non-credit courses, as defined by the institution;
- c. Credit received for completion of tests/assessments;
- d. Credit received before the student has earned a high school diploma (i.e., AP or dual enrollment credits); or
- e. Credit for life experience.

Secondary students and counselors are encouraged to review institutional postsecondary scholarship policies pertaining to dual enrollment/dual credit hours prior to enrollment.

See Appendix VI for SACSCOC Policy Statement.

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools -Commission on Colleges Dual Enrollment Policy Statement

In June 2018, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools - Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) issued a dual enrollment policy statement to ensure postsecondary institutions are in compliance with the SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation.

According to SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation 13.7, the institution ensures adequate physical facilities and resources, both on and off campus, that appropriately serve the needs of the institution's educational programs, support services, and other mission related activities. K12 districts and postsecondary partners should work together to ensure all dual enrollment programs are in compliance. Institutions may be required to show evidence of facility evaluations to ensure adequate physical facilities and resources to appropriately and safely serve the needs of the insitution's educational programs, support services, and other mission-related activities at off-campus dual sites. In addition to 13.7, see Appendix VI for substantive change requirements for off-campus instructional locations.

Community College Districts.

See Appendix VII for

Geographic Areas of Responsibility

Community colleges may enter into dual enrollment/credit partnerships in their respective geographic areas of responsibility.

Accelerated Programs

Courses taken prior to high school graduation through accelerated programs such as Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge International, may provide opportunities for college credit.

Credit guidelines for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge International courses are located within Appendix VIII. Secondary counselors and students are encouraged to contact the postsecondary institution for information concerning criteria for additional accelerated program credits.

See Appendix VIII for AP/IB/ Cambridge Guidelines.

Early College High Schools and Middle College Programs

The State Board of Education is authorized to approve districts of innovation for the purposes of improving students' educational performance. Districts of innovation shall be provided flexibility from selected board regulations, Title 37, Mississippi Code of 1972, and local school board policies for school administrators, teachers and staff to meet the diverse needs of students. Early College High Schools (ECHS) and Middle College Programs (MCP) are considered examples of such innovative practices.

- 1. An ECHS is a small, independent high school located on a partnering college campus or a location other than a traditional high school campus. Students enter as high school freshmen, with a goal of earning both a high school diploma and an associate degree or 62 hours of college credit.
- 2. A MCP is a school or district-level dual credit/dual enrollment program in which high school juniors or seniors attend a portion of the day at the high school and a portion at a postsecondary institution. Districts provide a transitional counselor and closely monitor student progress.
- 3. K12 districts interested in creating an ECHS or MCP with a postsecondary partner must apply through the Mississippi Department of Education Districts of Innovation process in the Office of Secondary Education.
- 4. IHL institutions must notify the IHL Office of Academic and Student Affairs (OASA) of intent to establish an ECHS or MCP program.

See Appendix IX for MS Code 37-179.1 and MS Code 37-179.3.

Reverse Transfer

See Appendix X for Reverse Degree Transfer Agreement. Mississippi community college students are well aware that they can transfer credits from their community colleges to four-year institutions and that those credits will count toward earning a bachelor's degree. Many may not be aware that the reverse is also true.

Reverse Transfer allows students who have transferred from a community college to a public university with at least 16 transferrable credits to transfer credits earned at the four-year institution back to the community college. These reverse transfer credits count toward earning an associate degree, which gives students an additional credential and improves employability.

Criteria

To be eligible to participate in the Reverse Transfer program, a student must:

- 1. Complete 62 hours in the courses required at either the community college or university to complete the requirements for an associate degree in accordance with the policies of the individual community college. At least 16 transferrable credit hours must be completed at a single community college.
- 2. Be a current or former student at the community college from which you are applying for a diploma and a current or former student at a public university in Mississippi.
- 3. Adhere to the policies established by the community college or university to facilitate the Reverse Transfer Process.
- 4. Pay any fees required by the community college or university in completing the process.

Dual Enrollment/Credit Scholarship

The 2023 Mississippi Legislature approved Senate Bill 2487 cited as the Mississippi Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit Scholarship Program Act of 2023. The scholarship program awards eligible public or charter school high school juniors or seniors 6 hours of dual enrollment/credit funding. The application and additional information may be found on the Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid: https://www.msfinancialaid.org/.

Miss. Code Ann. § 37-15-38 MISSISSIPPI CODE of 1972

*** Current through the 2016 Regular and 1st and 2nd Extraordinary Sessions of the Legislature ***

TITLE 37. EDUCATION CHAPTER 15. PUBLIC SCHOOLS; RECORDS, ENROLLMENT AND TRANSFER OF PUPILS

Miss. Code Ann. § 37-15-38 (2016)

- § 37-15-38. Dual enrollment programs for dual high school and postsecondary credit; Mississippi Works Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Option Program
- (1) The following phrases have the meanings ascribed in this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
- (a) A dual enrolled student is a student who is enrolled in a community or junior college or state institution of higher learning while enrolled in high school.
- (b) A dual credit student is a student who is enrolled in a community or junior college or state institution of higher learning while enrolled in high school and who is receiving high school and college credit for postsecondary coursework.
- (2) A local school board, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning and the Mississippi Community College Board shall establish a dual enrollment system under which students in the school district who meet the prescribed criteria of this section may be enrolled in a postsecondary institution in Mississippi while they are still in school.
- (3) Dual credit eligibility. Before credits earned by a qualified high school student from a community or junior college or state institution of higher learning may be transferred to the student's home school district, the student must be properly enrolled in a dual enrollment program.
- (4) Admission criteria for dual enrollment in community and junior college or university programs. The Mississippi Community College Board and the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning may recommend to the State Board of Education admission criteria for dual enrollment programs under which high school students may enroll at a community or junior college or university while they are still attending high school and enrolled in high school courses. Students may be admitted to enroll in community or junior college courses under the dual enrollment programs if they meet that individual institution's stated dual enrollment admission requirements.
- (5) Tuition and cost responsibility. Tuition and costs for university-level courses and community college courses offered under a dual enrollment program may be paid for by the postsecondary institution, the local school

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district, the parents or legal guardians of the student, or by grants, foundations or other private or public sources. Payment for tuition and any other costs must be made directly to the credit-granting institution.

- (6) Transportation responsibility. Any transportation required by a student to participate in the dual enrollment program is the responsibility of the parent, custodian or legal guardian of the student. Transportation costs may be paid from any available public or private sources, including the local school district.
- (7) School district average daily attendance credit. When dually enrolled, the student may be counted, for adequate education program funding purposes, in the average daily attendance of the public school district in which the student attends high school.
- (8) High school student transcript transfer requirements. Grades and college credits earned by a student admitted to a dual credit program must be recorded on the high school student record and on the college transcript at the university or community or junior college where the student attends classes. The transcript of the university or community or junior college coursework may be released to another institution or applied toward college graduation requirements.
- (9) Determining factor of prerequisites for dual enrollment courses. Each university and community or junior college participating in a dual enrollment program shall determine course prerequisites. Course prerequisites shall be the same for dual enrolled students as for regularly enrolled students at that university or community or junior college.
- (10) Process for determining articulation of curriculum between high school, university, and community college courses. All dual credit courses must meet the standards established at the postsecondary level. Postsecondary level developmental courses may not be considered as meeting the requirements of the dual credit program. Dual credit memorandum of understandings must be established between each postsecondary institution and the school district implementing a dual credit program.

(11) [Deleted]

- (12) Eligible courses for dual credit programs. Courses eligible for dual credit include, but are not necessarily limited to, foreign languages, advanced math courses, advanced science courses, performing arts, advanced business and technology, and career and technical courses. Distance Learning Collaborative Program courses approved under Section 37-67-1 shall be fully eligible for dual credit. All courses being considered for dual credit must receive unconditional approval from the superintendent of the local school district and the chief instructional officer at the participating community or junior college or university in order for college credit to be awarded. A university or community or junior college shall make the final decision on what courses are eligible for semester hour credits.
- (13) High school Carnegie unit equivalency. One (1) three-hour university or community or junior college course is equal to one (1) high school Carnegie unit.

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- (14) Course alignment. The universities, community colleges and the State Department of Education shall periodically review their respective policies and assess the place of dual credit courses within the context of their traditional offerings.
- (15) Maximum dual credits allowed. It is the intent of the dual enrollment program to make it possible for every eligible student who desires to earn a semester's worth of college credit in high school to do so. A qualified dually enrolled high school student must be allowed to earn an unlimited number of college or university credits for dual credit.
- (16) Dual credit program allowances. A student may be granted credit delivered through the following means:
- (a) Examination preparation taught at a high school by a qualified teacher. A student may receive credit at the secondary level after completion of an approved course and passing the standard examination, such as an Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate course through which a high school student is allowed CLEP credit by making a three (3) or higher on the end-of-course examination.
- (b) College or university courses taught at a high school or designated postsecondary site by a qualified teacher who is an employee of the school district and approved as an instructor by the collaborating college or university.
- (c) College or university courses taught at a college, university or high school by an instructor employed by the college or university and approved by the collaborating school district.
- (d) Online courses of any public university, community or junior college in Mississippi.
- (17) Qualifications of dual credit instructors. A dual credit academic instructor must meet the requirements set forth by the regional accrediting association (Southern Association of College and Schools). University and community college personnel have the sole authority in the selection of dual credit instructors.

A dual credit career and technical education instructor must meet the requirements set forth by the Mississippi Community College Board in the qualifications manual for postsecondary career and technical personnel.

- (18) Guidance on local agreements. The Chief Academic Officer of the State Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning and the Chief Instructional Officers of the Mississippi Community College Board and the State Department of Education, working collaboratively, shall develop a template to be used by the individual community colleges and institutions of higher learning for consistent implementation of the dual enrollment program throughout the State of Mississippi.
- (19) Mississippi Works Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Option. A local school board and the local community colleges board shall establish a Mississippi Works Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Option Program under which potential or recent student dropouts may dually enroll in their home school and a local community college in

Miss. Code Ann. § 37-15-38 MISSISSIPPI CODE of 1972

a dual credit program consisting of high school completion coursework and a community college credential, certificate or degree program. Students completing the dual enrollment-credit option may obtain their high school diploma while obtaining a community college credential, certificate or degree. The Mississippi Department of Employment Security shall assist students who have successfully completed the Mississippi Works Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Option in securing a job upon the application of the student or the participating school or community college. The Mississippi Works Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Option Program will be implemented statewide in the 2012-2013 school year and thereafter. The State Board of Education, local school board and the local community college board shall establish criteria for the Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Program. Students enrolled in the program will not be eligible to participate in interscholastic sports or other extracurricular activities at the home school district. Tuition and costs for community college courses offered under the Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Program shall not be charged to the student, parents or legal guardians. When dually enrolled, the student shall be counted for adequate education program funding purposes, in the average daily attendance of the public school district in which the student attends high school, as provided in Section 37-151-7(1) (a). Any transportation required by the student to participate in the Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Program is the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian of the student, and transportation costs may be paid from any available public or private sources, including the local school district. Grades and college credits earned by a student admitted to this Dual Enrollment-Dual Credit Program shall be recorded on the high school student record and on the college transcript at the community college and high school where the student attends classes. The transcript of the community college coursework may be released to another institution or applied toward college graduation requirements. Any course that is required for subject area testing as a requirement for graduation from a public school in Mississippi is eligible for dual credit, and courses eligible for dual credit shall also include career, technical and degree program courses. All courses eligible for dual credit shall be approved by the superintendent of the local school district and the chief instructional officer at the participating community college in order for college credit to be awarded. A community college shall make the final decision on what courses are eligible for semester hour credits and the local school superintendent, subject to approval by the Mississippi Department of Education, shall make the final decision on the transfer of college courses credited to the student's high school transcript.

HISTORY: SOURCES: Laws, 2006, ch. 346, § 2; Laws, 2006, ch. 504, § 11; Laws, 2010, ch. 381, § 2; Laws, 2011, ch. 516, § 1; Laws, 2012, ch. 521, § 1; Laws, 2014, ch. 397, § 17; Laws, 2014, ch. 442, § 6; Laws, 2016, ch. 353, § 2, eff from and after July 1, 2016.

*Sample Academic Dual Credit Recommendation Form

Individual Student

A student who is currently attending high school in {K12 District Name} may register to take courses under {Postsecondary Institution Name} Dual Enrollment program provided he/she:

- 1. Is classified as a junior or higher
- 2. Has maintained a minimum overall 3.00 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale on all high school courses as documented by an official high school transcript
- 3. Received an unconditional written recommendation from his/her high school principal and/or counselor, with parental signature as documented by this form

OR

- 4. A student who will not be a junior or senior may enroll in a dual enrollment program if he/she
 - a. Has a composite score of 30 or higher on the American College Test (ACT)
 - b. Has a minimum overall 3.00 GPA on a 4.00 scale
 - c. Has an unconditional recommendation as documented by this form

Dual Credit applicants must submit:

- 1. An application for admission
- 2. An official high school transcript with ACT scores noted and
- 3. This completed form

Student's Name		
High School		
SSN #	Phone	
Address	Email	
City	StateZip	
I request to participate in dual enrollment/dual	credit coure(s) (Postsecondary Institutio	n Name) for : Fall
Spring Summer H	High School GPA:	
ACT Composite Score:*Attach off	acial high school transcript with ACT sco	res noted.
*Student reviewed the MS Articulation Transfe	er Tool (MATT) for courses applicable to t	their College and Career Pathway.
I certify the named student meets the dual enro	ollment placement requirements as listed	in the above section
Signature of High School Administrator, Couns	selor and/or Designee	Date
Signature of Student		Date
Signature of Parent or Guardian of Applicant		Date

SAMPLE CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) DUAL CREDIT RECOMMENDATION FORM

Individual Student

A student who is currently attending high school in (K12 District Name) may register to take courses under (Postsecondary Institution Name) Dual Enrollment program provided he/she:

- 1. Is classified as a sophomore
- 2. Has maintained a minimum overall 2.0 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale on all high school courses as documented by an official high school transcript
- 3. Received an unconditional written recommendation from either his/her high school principal, counselor, or CTE instructor with parental signature as documented by this form.

Dual credit applicants must submit:

- 1. An application for admission
- 2. An official high school transcript with ACT scores noted and
- 3. This completed form
- 4. Students must meet the academic and pre-requisite course requirements (i.e. score on a standardized test, etc.) for placement in a specific course.

Student's Name	
High School	
SSN #	Phone
Address	_Email
City	_State Zip
I request to(Postsecondary Institution Name) for Fall	Spring
High School GPA:	
ACT Composite Score:*Attach official high school	transcript with ACT scores noted.
*Student reviewed the MS Articulation Transfer Tool (MATT)	for courses applicable to their College and Career Pathway
I certify the named student meets the dual enrollment placeme	ent requirements as listed in the above section:
Signature of High School Administrator, Counselor and/or CT	TE Instructor Date
Signature of Student	Date

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian of Applicant

SAMPLE DUAL CREDIT MEMORANDUM OF AGREEEMENT

ACADEMIC DUAL CREDIT AND CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN

SCHOOL DISTR	RICT AND COLLEGE
In furtherance of our mutual objectives to enhance	and improve educational opportunities for students in Missis-
sippi, and in accordance with Mississippi law, the	School District (henceforth known
as "the school district") and	College (henceforth known as "the college") enter into
this articulation agreement on the following terms	

This dual credit program may include courses taught at the college, courses taught at district high schools and online. In all cases, courses offered for dual credit will meet the content standards of the college. The college will have final approval of all instructors of courses for which college credit will be awarded. Students enrolled in the school district and admitted to the dual credit program will be eligible to enroll in all courses offered by the college for which they qualify. Academic dual credit will be limited to the approved Mississippi Community College course list.

Students participating in the dual enrollment/credit program are required by the college to meet eligibility requirements and prerequisites for college courses. Most commonly, course placement is accomplished through a review of ACT scores and/or completion of placement tests. The college will determine prerequisites and appropriate placement test criteria for college courses.

To facilitate student participation in this program and to ensure that this program meets student needs, the following steps will be taken:

• Definitions:

- A Dual Enrolled Student is a student who is enrolled in a community or junior college or state institution of higher learning while enrolled in high school. The student receives only postsecondary credit for coursework.
- A Dual Credit Student is a student who is enrolled in a community or junior college or state institution of higher learning while enrolled in high school and who is receiving both high school and college credit for postsecondary coursework. The student receives credit for coursework regardless of the course location (high school campus, postsecondary campus, or online). One three-hour postsecondary course is equal to one high school Carnegie unit.
- Notification: Students who are eligible to participate in this program, as well as their parents, will be made aware of the option to participate during each registration period. It is important that all stakeholders understand the concept of academic control, responsibility, and Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) requirements. The high school is not the responsible party for monitoring of the student's academic performance at the postsecondary institution.
- Participation: High school students who are interested in program participation should contact the designated dual
 enrollment/dual credit liaison at their school. The liaison will advise interested students of the eligibility requirements
 and the procedure for enrolling in the dual enrollment/dual credit program. Program participation will require submission to the college of a completed application for admission and transcript with ACT scores noted. Once formally
 admitted to the college, students will register for the dual enrollment/credit classes.

Eligibility Criteria:

Students must meet the following eligibility requirments to participate in the dual enrollment/dual credit programs:

- 1. a minimum overal 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale on all high school courses and clasified as either a junior or senior
- 2. Students may also be admitted to the dual enrollment/dual credit program with a minimum of an overall 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale on all high school courses and a minimum composite ACT score of 30 or the equivalent SAT score.

AND

- 3. Each student seeking admission to this program must submit an unconditional written recommendation from his/her high school principal or guidance counselor and obtain parent approval.
- Students may be admitted to the Career and Technical Education dual credit program with the following criteria:
 - 1. A minimum overall 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale on all high school courses and classified as a sophomore
 - 2. Each student seeking admission to this program must submit an unconditional written recommendation from either his/her high school principal, guidance counselor, or CTE instructor and obtain parent approval.
- Evaluation: All courses and programs offered by the college will meet the standards established as part of the institution's SACSCOC accreditation as well as any other specialized accreditations that may apply.
- Cost: Tuition charges and other costs for college courses are the responsibility of the parents or legal guardians of participating students unless these costs are covered by grants, scholarships, or the school district. Regardless of the source of payment, all levied charges and fees must be paid directly to the college. Student grades will not be released to the school district until all student debts are paid in full. Tuition charges for students participating in this program will be reviewed annually and, if changes are made, notice will be given to the school district before classes begin. Students are responsible for acquisition of textbooks or online fees.
- Transportation: Students, their parents or legal guardians are responsible for arranging transportation for courses taught at sites away from the high school campus.

Postsecondary Board

K12 District Board

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K12 District Superintendent

Board Approval Dates:

CONSENT FORM FOR DISCLOSURE OF EDUCATION RECORDS TO PARENTS

To:	Registrar, {Postsecondary	Institution Name}			
From:					_
	Student's First Name	Middle Initial	Last Nam	e	
Perma	nent Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	_
to disc	lose information from you you as a dependent for fede	ghts and Privacy Act (FER) r education records to your eral tax purposes. Please in	parents if your parents	arents (or one of ye	our parents)
Please	check the appropriate box:				
	Yes. I certify that my pare	ents claim me as a depende	nt for federal inco	me tax purposes.	
	No. I certify that my pare	ents do not claim me as a de	ependent for feder	al income tax pur	poses.
Signat	ure:		Da	nte:	
incom	e tax purposes, but you agr	dent or you do not know we'ree that {Postsecondary Inst s, please sign the following	itution Name} ma		
for rea	•	personally identifiable info econdary Institution Name r.*	•		• •
Signat	ure:		Da	ate:	
If pare 1.	nts live at the same address	s, please list both in # 1.			
	me(s)	Name			_
Ad	dress	Addres	S		_
City	y, State, Zip	City, St	ate, Zip		_
— Tele	ephone	 Telepho	one		_

^{*}Students will not be denied any educational services from {Postsecondary Institution Name} if they refuse to provide consent.

Appendix V

Academic Dual Credit Listing of Courses

Course Title	HS Course Code	Hours	Comm. Coll.
Art Appreciation	903060	3	ART 1113
Principles of Biology I	907152	4	BIO 1114
Principles of Biology II	907153	4	BIO 1124
General Biology I	907150	4	BIO 1134
General Biology II	907151	4	BIO 1144
Anatomy & Physiology I	907212	4	BIO 2514
Anatomy & Physiology II	907213	4	BIO 2524
General Chemistry I	907521	4	CHE1214
General Chemistry II	907522	4	CHE 1224
Principles of Macroeconomics	908127	3	ECO 2113
Principles of Microeconomics	908126	3	ECO 2123
English Composition I	903050	3	ENG 1113
English Composition II	903051	3	ENG 1123
American Literature I	903054	3	ENG 2223
American Literature II	903055	3	ENG 2233
British Literature I	903056	3	ENG 2323
British Literature II	903056	3	ENG 2333
World Literature I	903144	3	ENG 2423
World Literature II	903059	3	ENG 2433
African American Literature I	903423	3	ENG 2523
African American Literature II	903424	3	ENG 2533
World Geography	908356	3	GEO 1113
Western Civilization I	908350	3	HIS 1113
Western Civilization II	908351	3	HIS 1123
World Civilization I	908352	3	HIS 1163
World Civilization II	908353	3	HIS 1173
U.S. History I	908354	3	HIS 2213
U.S. History II	908355	3	HIS 2223
College Algebra	906401	3	MAT 1313
Trigonometry	906411	3	MAT 1323
Finite Math	906451	3	MAT 1333
Business Calculus I	906920	3	MAT 1513
Statistics	906450	3	MAT 2323
French I	904903	3	MFL 1113
French II	904904	3	MFL 1123
Spanish I	904933	3	MFL 1213
Spanish II	903934	3	MFL 1223
Music Appreciation	903063	3	MUS 1113

Course Title	HS Course Code		Comm. Coll.
Introduction to Philosophy I	908050	3	PHI 2113
Physical Science I	907700	4	PHY 2244
Physical Science II	907699	4	PHY 2254
General Physics I	907821	4	PHY 2414
General Physics II	907822	4	PHY 2424
American National	908021	3	PSC 1113
General Psychology I	908111	3	PSY 1513
Introduction to Sociology I	908121	3	SOC 2113
Speech	903052	3	SPT/COM 1113
Theatre Appreciation	903069	3	SPT 2233

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Career and Technical Dual Credit Listing of Courses

Course Title	HS Course Code	Hours	Comm. Coll.
Introduction to Spatial Information		3	AGT 1163
Special Problems in Ag		3	AGT 2913
Basic Electrical		3/4	ATT 1123/4
Brakes		4	ATT 1214
Intro to Keyboarding		3	BOT 1013
Microsoft Word I		3	BOT 1233
Intro to Microsoft Office		3	BOT 1273
Intro to Business Management		3	BOT 1453
Communitcation Essentials		3	BOT 1763
Refinishing I		3	ABT 1313
Refinishing II		3	ABT 1323
Mechanical & Electrical Comp I		3	ABT 1443
Shop Operations & Procedures		3	ABT 2813
Fund of Construction & Manuf		3	CTE 1143
Construction Materials		3	CON 1213
Graphic Communication		3	ENT 1113
Materials		3	ENT 1213
Principals of CAD		3	ENT 1313
Culinary Principles I		3	CUT 1114
Intro to Culinary Arts		3	CUT1153 HRT 1123
Sanitation and Safety		3	CUT 1213
Fund of Equipment Mech		3/4	DET 1113/4
Engineering Graphics		3	DDT 1163
Construction Materials		3	DDT 1213
Principals of CAD		3/4	DDT 1313/4
Early Childhood Profession		3	CDT 1113
Creative Arts for Young Children		3	CDT 1313
Child Health, Safety & Nutrition		3/4	CDT 1343/4
Residential Wiring		3	ELT 1113
Commerial Wiring		3	ELT 1123
Fundamentals of Electricity		3	ELT 1193
Indust. Maint., Core & Safety		3	IMM 1113
Indust. Maint. Electrical & Inst I		3	IMM 1273
Indust. Maint. Electrical & Inst II		3	IMM1283
Special Projects in Indust. Maint.		3	IMM 1913
Forest Products Utilization		4	FOT 1414
Intro to Forestry		3	FOT 1813
Medical Terminology		3	HIT 1213
Intro to Hospitality & Tourism		3	HRT 1123
Sanitation & Safety		3	HRT 1213

Course Title	HS Course Code	Hours	Comm. Coll.
Restaurants & Catering Ops.		3/4	HRT 1223/4
Tourism Specialist		3	HRT 2233
Hospitality Supervision		3	HRT 2613
Intro. to Heating & Air Cond		3	ACT 1003
Basic Compression Refrigeration		3/4	ACT 1123/4
Indust. Maint. Core & Safety		3	IMM 1113
IT Foundations		4	IST 1124
Web & Program Concepts		4	IST 1154
Database & SQL Concepts		3	IST 1163
Visual BASIC Program. Lang		4	IST 1314
Client-Side Program		4	IST 1414
SQL Programming		3/4	IST 1513/4
Programming in Python		4	IST 1724
Machine Tool Math		3	MST 1313
Blueprint Reading		3	MST 1413
Principles of Marketing		3/4	MMT 1113/4
Selling		3	MMT 1313
Safety, Health, & Environment		3	OGP 1113
Instroduction to Law		3	LET 1123
Fundamentals of Drafting		3	CCT 1133
Construction Math		3	CCT 1163
Shielded Metal Arc Welding I		5	WLT 1115
Instro to Welding Safety		3	WLT 1173
Medical Terminology		3	AHT 1113
Introd to Health Professions		3	CTE 1333
Work Based Learning		3	WBL

 $^{^{\}star}$ Not all courses/programs are offered at each community college, contact local CC to determine offerings.

^{*} Academic courses offered at the secondary site may impact number of CTE courses allowed.

^{*}CCs may not offer more than 49% of first exit point unless approved site. Contact local CC to determine eligibility.

^{**}MSIS Codes will be published at a later date. For more information, please visit the MDE Offices of Secondary Education Accelerated Programs webpage.



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DUAL ENROLLMENT

Policy Statement

For SACSCOC purposes, "dual enrollment" refers to courses taught to high school students for which the students receive both high school credit and college credit, regardless of location or mode of delivery. This would include such coursework offered at the high school, on the institution's campus, or via distance education. This also includes programs and courses that may be offered under different names such as "early college," "dual credit," or "concurrent enrollment." The academic rigor of such coursework matches the quality of other institutional coursework, regardless of location or mode of delivery.

Institutions must ensure that their dual enrollment courses and programs comply with the Principles of Accreditation. This applies to all such educational programs and services, wherever located or however delivered. In addition, institutions being reviewed should also be prepared to demonstrate clear institutional control over these dual enrollment courses and programs.

Applying the Principles of Accreditation to Dual Enrollment

With the underlying concept that the Principles of Accreditation apply to all programs of the institution, regardless of mode of delivery, institutions should consider the following statements in implementing and reporting on dual enrollment programs. Similarly, reviewers should consider these statements when approving or evaluating dual enrollment programs.

Substantive Change

An institution offering dual enrollment ensures appropriate notification and prior approval (if needed) of off-campus instructional sites where dual enrollment courses and programs are offered. Another aspect of dual enrollment that may require notification or approval could be the use of a cooperative academic arrangement to deliver courses. (Please refer to the SACSCOC policy "Substantive Change for SACSCOC Accredited Institutions.")

Faculty

SACSCOC defines an "instructor of record" as the faculty member qualified to teach the course. This person has overall responsibility for the development and implementation of the syllabus and for issuing grades. The faculty member will provide direct instruction for the course.

The institution ensures appropriate faculty qualifications for those who provide instruction for dual enrollment courses; these faculty members possess the same academic credentials and/or documented professional experience required by the institution of all of its faculty. Graduate teaching assistants, if they are the instructor of record and providing direct instruction, should meet the same academic and/or professional criteria. In all cases, the institution bears responsibility for documenting and justifying the qualifications of its dual enrollment instructors, and they are included on the Faculty Roster when appropriate for review by a SACSCOC committee. (Please refer to the Resource Manual, Standard 6.2.b, for a broader discussion of faculty qualifications.)

An institution offering dual enrollment courses or programs ensures that a sufficient number of full-time faculty members teach and/ or provide appropriate oversight for the courses/programs. Materials submitted for review by SACSCOC explain the nature of faculty oversight that ensures the quality and integrity of the courses offered. The institution has clear criteria for the evaluation of faculty teaching dual enrollment courses and demonstrates the use of these criteria.

Curriculum and Instruction

For all dual enrollment courses offered, the institution employs sound and acceptable practices for determining the amount and level of credit awarded. Course content and rigor of dual enrollment courses are comparable to that of the same courses taught to the institution's other students. (Please see the SACSCOC policy "The Quality and Integrity of Educational Credentials.")

The faculty assumes primary responsibility for dual enrollment courses. Such oversight ensures both the rigor of programs/courses and the quality of instruction.

Institutional Effectiveness

Dual enrollment students are included within the processes used to ensure the effectiveness of campus programs. If dual enrollment students can earn a credential, then that credential and those students should be part of the institutional effectiveness process of the institution. The institution regularly assesses the effectiveness of its provision of library/learning resources and student support services for dual enrollment.

Library and Learning Resources

Students have access to appropriate library resources, and the institution demonstrates that students are able to use such resources effectively. If the high school is the provider of these materials, the institution establishes the appropriateness of the collections for the courses and programs offered. The institution ensures that its students have access to regular and timely instruction in the use of library and other learning resources.

Academic and Student Support Services

Academic support services are appropriate for the courses and programs offered. Institutions ensure that dual enrollment students are appropriately advised regarding the collegiate curriculum. Student support services are appropriate for dual enrollment students.

Institutions have an adequate and published procedure for resolving written student complaints, and the institution follows its policies and procedures. The institution ensures that its dual enrolled students are appropriately oriented regarding their rights and responsibilities. Documented procedures assure that security of personal information is protected.

Admissions and Transparency

The institution implements appropriate eligibility and placement procedures to ensure that potential dual enrollment students are prepared for college-level courses. Dual enrollment students are usually admitted under exceptions to an institution's published admissions policies, and the institution follows commonly accepted practices in making such exceptions. Advertising, recruiting, and admissions information adequately and accurately represents the programs, requirements, and services available to students.

Statements and other representations regarding the ability to transfer credit earned in dual enrollment programs and courses are accurate and complete. The institution ensures that its registration and transcripting practices for dual enrollment students are consistent with those in effect for all other students.

Facilities

Dual enrollment courses are offered in adequate physical facilities, whether under the control of the institution or under the control of the high school.

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Substantive change information for off-campus locations:

All Mississippi community colleges are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate degrees. Significant departures, including but not limited to offering new programs and offering existing programs or portions of existing programs at new sites, require the submission of a substantive change to SACSCOC. New program approval equally applies to a degree, diploma, certificate, or other for-credit credential. Substantive changes must be submitted to SACSCOC for approval six months prior to implementation. That is, substantive changes for fall of the following year must be submitted by December 31, and substantive changes for spring of the following year must be submitted by June 30. Therefore, the process of adding new courses/programs at off-campus sites, if approved, may take over a year to implement due to accreditation guidelines and institution specific policies and guidelines.

Additional information concerning the substantive change proces is located on the following link: https://sacscoc.org/accrediting-standards/substantive-changes/.

Geographic Areas of Responsibility for Community Colleges

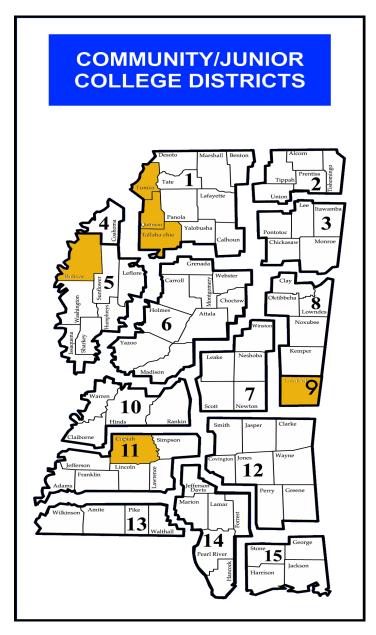


Figure 2-1. Mississippi Public Community College Districts (Mississippi State Board for Community Colleges, 2006a).

- Northwest Mississippi Community College Senatobia, Southaven, & Oxford
- (2) Northeast Mississippi Community College
 Booneville
- (3) Itawamba Community College
 Fulton & Tupelo
- (4) Coahoma Community College
 Clarksdale
- (5) Mississippi Delta Community College Moorhead & Greenville
- (6) Holmes Community College Goodman, Grenada, & Ridgeland
- (7) East Central Community College
 Decatur
- (8) East Mississippi Community College Scooba & Mayhew
- (9) Meridian Community CollegeMeridian
- (10) Hinds Community College
 Raymond, ATC-Jackson, AHC-Jackson, Pearl, Utica, & Vicksburg
- (11) Copiah-Lincoln Community College
 Simpson County, Wesson, & Natchez
- (12) Jones County College
 Ellisville
- (13) Southwest Mississippi Community College
 Summit
- (14) Pearl River Community College
 Poplarville & Hattiesburg
- (15) Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College
 Perkinston, Gautier, Gulfport, Lucedale, & Long Beach

^{*}Shaded counties are shared by two or more colleges.

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An Advanced Placement (AP) official score report must be sent to the college or university to evaluate, award appropriate college credit, and articulate the specific college course satisfied by the AP exam. Students will not receive any subject area credit with an examination score lower than 3.

*Mississippi public universities or community/junior colleges may provide up to 6 credit hours, per exam, depending on the subject and score obtained on AP exams for students scoring a 4 or 5. (Example: AP U.S. History score of 3= HIS 2213 credit and a score of 4 or 5 could equal both HIS 2213 and HIS 2223.)

⁺Year-long AP course that covers two semesters of coursework. (Example: AP U.S. History contains content equivalent to HIS 2213 and HIS 2223.)

Category/AP Course Title	AP Credit Score	Corresponding Course for MS Community Colleges	College Credit Hours
AP Capstone			
AP Research	3	No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	3
AP Seminar	3	No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	3
Arts			
AP Art History	3	ART 1113 - Art Appreciation	3
AP Music Theory	3	MUS 1213 – Music Theory I	3
AP 2-D Art & Design	3	ART 1433 - Design I	3
AP 3-D Art & Design	3	ART 1453 - Three Dimensional Design	3
AP Drawing	3	ART 1313 - Drawing I	3
English			
⁺ AP English Language and Composition	3	ENG 1113 - English Composition I	3*
⁺ AP English Literature and Composition	3	ENG 2323 – British Literature I OR ENG 2223 - American Literature I	3*
History and Social Sciences			
AP Comparative Government and Politics	3	PSC 2113 - Comparative Government	3
⁺ AP European History	3	HIS 1113 - Western Civilization I	3*
AP Human Geography	3	GEO 1123 - Principles of Geography	3
AP Macroeconomics	3	ECO 2113 - Principles of Macroeconomics	3
AP Microeconomics	3	ECO 2123 - Principles of Microeconomics	3
AP Psychology	3	PSY 1513 - General Psychology I	3
AP United States Government and Politics	3	PSC 1113 - American National Government	3
+AP United States History	3	HIS 2213 - U.S. History I	3*
AP World History: Modern	3	HIS 1173 - World Civilization II	3

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Category/AP Course Title	AP Credit Score	Corresponding Course for MS Community Colleges	College Credit Hours	
STEM				
AP Biology	3	BIO 1134 - General Biology I	4	
AP Calculus AB	3	MAT 1613 - Calculus I	3	
AP Calculus BC	3	MAT 1623 - Calculus II	3	
*AP Calculus AB subscore	3	MAT 1613 - Calculus I	3	
AP Chemistry	3	CHE 1214 - General Chemistry I	4	
⁺ AP Computer Science A	3	CSC 1613 - Computer Programming I	3*	
⁺ AP Computer Science Principles	3	No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	3*	
AP Environmental Science	3	BIO 1214 - Environmental Science	4	
AP Physics 1	3	PHY 2414 - General Physics I	4	
AP Physics 2	3	PHY 2424 - General Physics II	4	
AP Physics C: Mechanics	3	PHY 2313 - Physics I OR PHY 2514 – General Physics I-A (Pre-requisite: successful completion of AP Calculus BC)	4	
AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	3	PHY 2323 - Physics II OR PHY 2524 – General Physics II-A (Pre-requisite: successful completion of AP Calculus BC)	4	
AP Pre-Calculus	3	MAT 1343 - Pre-calculus	3	
AP Statistics	3	MAT 2323 - Statistics	3	
World Languages and Cultures	3			
⁺ AP Chinese Language and Culture	3	No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	3*	
⁺ AP French Language and Culture	3	MFL 1113 - French I	3*	
⁺ AP German Language and Culture	3	MFL 1313 - German I	3*	
⁺ AP Italian Language and Culture	3	MFL 1713 - Italian I	3*	
⁺ AP Japanese Language and Culture	3	MFL 1413 - Japanese I	3*	
⁺ AP Latin	3	No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	3*	
⁺ AP Spanish Language and Culture	3	MFL 1213 - Spanish I	3*	
⁺ AP Spanish Literature and Culture	3	MFL 2213 - Spanish III (Pre-requisite: successful completion of AP Spanish Language and Culture)	3*	

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An International Baccalaureate (IB) official score report must be sent to the college or university to evaluate, award appropriate college credit, and articulate the specific college course satisfied by the IB exam. Students will not receive any subject area credit with an examination score lower than 4. Mississippi public universities or community colleges may provide up to 6 credit hours or more, per exam, depending on the subject and score obtained on IB exams for students scoring with a 5 or higher.

Exam levels: Higher level (HL) = at least 240 hours of study and Standard level (SL) = at least 150 hours of study.

International Baccalaureate Subject Groups, Courses, and Levels	Required Minimum Score	Corresponding Course for MS Community Colleges	College Credit Hours *Minimum 3 hours
Studies in Language and Literature			
Language A: literature (SL/HL)	4		3
Language A: language and literature (SL/HL)	4		3
Literature and performance (SL)	4		3
Language Application			
Modern Language ab initio (SL)	4	Dependent upon language	3
Modern Language B (SL/HL)	4	Dependent upon language	3
Classical Languages Latin or Greek (SL/HL)	4		3
Individual and Societies			
Business Management	4	BAD 1113 - Introduction to Business	3
Economics (SL/HL)	4	ECO 2113 - Principles of Macroeconomics	3
Geography (SL/HL)	4	GEO 1123 - Principles of Geography	3
Global Politics (SL/HL)	4		3
History (SL/HL)	4		3
Philosphy (SL/HL)	4	PHI 2123 - Introduction to Philosophy	3
Psychology (SL/HL)	4	PSY 1513 - General Psychology I	
Social and Cultural Anthropology (SL/HL)	4		3
World Religions (SL)	4		3

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Sciences									
Biology (SL/HL)	4	Bio 1134 - General Biology I	4						
Computer Science (SL/HL)	4	CSC 1613 - Computer Programming I	3						
Chemistry (SL/HL)	4	CHE 1214 - General Chemistry I	4						
Environmental Systems (SL)	4		3						
Mathematics									
Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL/HL)	4	MAT 1613 - Calculus I (HL)	3						
Mathematics: Application and Interpretation (SL/HL)	4	MAT 1613 - Calculus (HL) MAT 2323 - Statistics (SL)	3 3						
The Arts			4						
Dance (SL/HL)	4	DAN 1113 - Dance Appreciation	3						
Music (SL/HL)	4	MUS 1213 - Music Theory I	3						
Film (SL/HL)	4		3						
Theater (SL/HL)	4	SPT 2233 -Theatre Apprecation	3						
Visual Arts (SL/HL)	4	ART 1113 - Art Appreciation	3						

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A Cambridge International Exam official score report must be sent to the college or university to evaluate, award appropriate college credit, and articulate the specific college course satisfied by the AS or A level exam. Students will receive subject area credit with an examination score of E or higher (A^*, A, B, C, D, E) .

*Mississippi public universities may provide up to 4 hours for AS level for students scoring E or higher and additional credit hours for the A level.

Levels of Cambridge International Exams

Advanced (A) – A level is comparable to completion of two semesters of an undergraduate course up to 8 credit hours Advanced Subsidiary (AS) – AS level is comparable to one semester of an undergraduate course up to 4 credit hours

Complete list of Cambridge International AS and A Level subjects and course syllabi: https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-advanced/cambridge-international-as-and-a-levels/subjects/#

Category/Cambridge Course Title	AS&A Credit Score	Corresponding Course for MS Community Colleges	College Credit Hours
English Language and Literature			
AS and A Level English Language (9093)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	ENG 1113 - English Composition I	3*
AS and A Level English Literature (9695)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	ENG 2323 – British Literature I	3*
		OR ENG 2223 - American Literature I	
AS Level Language and Literature	A,B,C,D,E	ENG 1113 - English Composition I	3
AS Level General Paper 8001, 8004, 8021	not recommend	ed for credit	
Creative and Professional			
AS and A Level Art & Design (9479)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	ART 1433 - Design I	3*
AS and A Level Music (9483)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	MUS 1113 – Music Appreciation	3*
AS and A Level Media Studies (9607)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	E No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	
AS and A Level Digital Media and Design (9481)	A*,A,B,C,D,E		
AS and A Level Computer Science (9608) (9618 will replace 9608 in 2021)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	CSC 1613 - Computer Programming I	3*
AS and A Level Thinking Skills	A*,A,B,C,D,E	PHI 2123 -Introduction to Philosophy	3*

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Category/Cambridge Course Title	AS&A Credit Score	Corresponding Course for MS Community Colleges	College Credit Hours
Humanities and Social Sciences	•		
Humanities and Social Sciences	A*,A,B,C,D,E	No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	
AS and A Level Geography (9696)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	GEO 1123 - Principles of Geography	3*
AS and A Level Economics (9708)	A,B,C,D,E	ECO 2113 - Principles of Macroeconomics	3
AS and A Level Psychology	A*,A,B,C,D,E	PSY 1513 - General Psychology I	3*
AS and A Level Sociology (9699)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	SOC 2113 – Introduction to Sociology	3*
AS and A Level History (9389) (9489 will replace 9389 beginning in 2021)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	HIS 2813 – Special Topics in History	3*
Sciences and Math			
AS and A Level Biology (9700)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	BIO 1134 - General Biology I	3*
AS and A Level Chemistry (9701)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	CHE 1214 - General Chemistry I	3*
AS Level Environmental Management (8291)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	BIO 1214 - Environmental Science	3*
AS and A Level Physics (9702)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	PHY 2414 - General Physics I	3*
AS and A Level Marine Science	A*,A,B,C,D,E	BIO 2213- Introduction to Marine Science	3*
AS Mathematics (9709) AS Papers 1 & 2	A*,A,B,C,D,E	MAT 1313 – College Algebra	3*
A Mathematics (9709) A Papers 1,3,5 & 6	A*,A,B,C,D,E	MAT 2323 – Statistics	3*
AS and A Level Mathematics – Further (9231)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	
Languages			
AS Chinese Language (8681) and A Level Chinese (9715)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	No corresponding CJC course code; Corresponding course dependent upon college	
AS French Language (8682) and A Level French (9716)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	MFL 1113 - French I	3*
AS Level German Language (8683) and A Level German (9717)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	MFL 1313 - German I	3*
AS Level Japanese Language (8281)	A,B,C,D,E	MFL 1413 - Japanese I	3*
AS Level Spanish Language (8685) and A Level Spanish (9719)	A*,A,B,C,D,E	MFL 1213 - Spanish I	3*

Mississippi Code Ann. § 37-179-1 Mississipi Code of 1972

Creation of districts of innovation; purpose; definitions; administrative rules and regulations

- (1) For purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall have the meaning ascribed herein, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
 - (a) "District of innovation" means a district that has developed a plan of innovation in compliance with this section and has been approved by the State Board of Education to be exempted from certain administrative regulations and statutory provisions to improve the educational performance of students within the district;
 - (b) "Innovation" means a new or creative alternative to existing instructional and administrative practices intended to improve student learning and student performance of all students;
 - (c) "School of innovation" means a school that voluntarily participates in a district of innovation plan to improve instruction, including waivers and exemptions from local school board policies, select ed provisions of rules and regulations promulgated by the State Board of Education, and selected sections of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as permitted under this section and Section 37-179-3;
 - (d) "Board" means the State Board of Education;
 - (e) "Department" means the State Department of Education.
- (2) The State Board of Education is authorized to approve districts of innovation for the purposes of improving students' educational performance. Districts of innovation shall be provided flexibility from selected board regulations, Title 37, Mississippi Code of 1972, and local school board policies for school administrators, teachers and staff to meet the diverse needs of students. The initial approval of a district of innovation shall be for a five-year period. Each renewal of a district of innovation shall not exceed five (5) years and shall comply with administrative regulations promulgated by the board pursuant to subsection (4) of this section.
- (3) The board shall promulgate administrative rules and regulations to prescribe the conditions and procedures to be used by a local school board to be approved as a district of innovation and shall publish the same on or before December 31, 2015.
- (4) Administrative rules and regulations promulgated by the board under subsection (3) of this section shall specify:
 - (a) The regulatory areas which may be exempted or modified if approved by the board, except as provid ed in Section 37-179-3(2), and in addition to those areas identified in Section 37-179-3(3);
 - (b) The application, plan review, approval and amendment process for a district;
 - (c) Timelines for initial approval as a district of innovation, the renewal process and ongoing evaluative procedures required of the district;
 - (d) Acceptable documentation of a critical mass of parental, community, educator and business support and capacity to effect a change;
 - (e) Evidence of teacher collaboration and shared leadership within the district and the schools to be designated as schools of innovation;
 - (f) The process of revocation of the designation of district of innovation or school of innovation;
 - (g) Reporting and oversight responsibilities of the district and the State Department of Education;
 - (h) The financial detail relating to budgets of schools and evidence of sound fiscal management practices;
 - (i) Acceptable areas of emphasis for innovation;
 - (j) Acceptable documentation of job-embedded professional development within the proposed innova tion design; and
 - (k) Other components deemed necessary to implement this section and Section 37-179-3.

Miss. Code Ann § 37-179-3 Mississippi Code of 1972

Responsibilities of districts applying to be designated as districts of innovation; requirements of districts and all schools participating in a district's innovation plan.

- (1) A district which is an applicant to be designated as a district of innovation under Section 37-179-1 shall:
 - (a) Establish goals and performance targets for the district of innovation proposal, which may include:
 - (i) Reducing achievement gaps among groups of public school students by expanding learning experiences for students who are identified as academically low-achieving;
 - (ii) Increasing pupil learning through the implementation of high, rigorous standards for pupil per formance;
 - (iii) Increasing the participation of students in various curriculum components and instructional components within selected schools to enhance at each grade level;
 - (iv) Increasing the number of students who are college and career-ready;
 - (v) Motivating students at different grade levels by offering more curriculum choices and student learning opportunities to parents and students within the district;
 - (b) Identify changes needed in the district and schools to lead to better prepared students for success in life and work;
 - (c) Have a districtwide plan of innovation that describes and justifies which schools and innovative practic es will be incorporated;
 - (d) Provide documentation of community, educator, parental, and the local board's support of the proposed innovations;
 - (e) Provide detailed information regarding the rationale of requests for waivers from Title 37, Mississippi Code of 1972, which relate to the elementary and secondary education of public school students, and ad ministrative regulations, and exemptions for selected schools regarding waivers of local school board policies;
 - (f) Document the fiscal and human resources the board will provide throughout the term of the implemen tation of the innovations within its plan; and
 - (g) Provide other materials as required by the department in compliance with the board's administrative regulations and application procedures.
- (2) The district and all schools participating in a district's innovation plan shall:
 - (a) Ensure the same health, safety, civil rights, and disability rights requirements as are applied to all public schools;
 - (b) Ensure students meet compulsory attendance requirements under Sections 37-13-91 and 37-13-92;
 - (c) Ensure that high school course offerings meet or exceed the minimum required under Sections 37-16-7 and 37-3-49, for high school graduation or meet early graduation requirements that may be enacted by the Mississippi Legislature;
 - (d) Ensure the student performance standards meet or exceed those adopted by the State Board of Educa tion as required by Sections 37-3-49, 37-16-3 and 37-17-6, including compliance with the statewide assessment system specified in Chapter 16, Title 37, Mississippi Code of 1972;
 - (e) Adhere to the same financial audits, audit procedures, and audit requirements as are applied under Section 7-7-211(e);

- (f) Require state and criminal background checks for staff and volunteers as required of all public school employees and volunteers within the public schools and specified in Section 37-9-17;
- (g) Comply with open records and open meeting requirements under Sections 25-41-1 et seq. and 25-61-1 et seq.;
- (h) Comply with purchasing requirements and limitations under Chapter 39, Title 37, Mississippi Code of 1972;
- (i) Provide overall instructional time that is equivalent to or greater than that required under Sections 37-1-11 and 37-13-67, but which may include on-site instruction, distance learning, online courses, and work-based learning on nontraditional school days or hours; and
- (j) Provide data to the department as deemed necessary to generate school and district reports.
- (3)
- (a) Only schools that choose to be designated as schools of innovation shall be included in a district's application;
- (b) As used in this paragraph, "eligible employees" means employees that are regularly employed at the school and those employees whose primary job duties will be affected by the plan; and
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection, a local school board may require a school that has been identified as a persistently low-achieving school under provisions of Section 37-17-6 to participate in the district's plan of innovation.
- (4) Notwithstanding any statutes to the contrary, the board may approve the requests of districts of innovation to:
 - (a) Use capital outlay funds for operational costs;
 - (b) Hire persons for classified positions in nontraditional school and district assignments who have bachelors and advanced degrees from postsecondary education institutions accredited by a regional accrediting association (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) or by an organization affiliated with the National Commission on Accrediting;
 - (c) Employ teachers on extended employment contracts or extra duty contracts and compensate them on a salary schedule other than the single salary schedule;
 - (d) Extend the school days as is appropriate within the district with compensation for the employees as determined locally;
 - (e) Establish alternative education programs and services that are delivered in nontraditional hours and which may be jointly provided in cooperation with another school district or consortia of districts;
 - (f) Establish online classes within the district for delivering alternative classes in a blended environment to meet high school graduation requirements;
 - (g) Use a flexible school calendar;
 - (h) Convert existing schools into schools of innovation; and
 - (i) Modify the formula under Section 37-151-7 for distributing support education funds for students in average daily attendance in nontraditional programming time, including alternative programs and virtual programs. Funds granted to a district shall not exceed those that would have otherwise been distributed based on average daily attendance during regular instructional days.

Appendix X



MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD

MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING



REVERSE TRANSFER AGREEMENT

This Reverse Transfer Credit Agreement ("Agreement") is between the Mississippi Community College Board ("MCCB") on behalf of its community/junior colleges and the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning ("IHL") on behalf of its universities.

PURPOSE

The intent of this agreement is to expand postsecondary degree attainment options for students who earn credits toward an associate degree at a MCCB community/junior college, but do not complete sufficient credits to earn the associate degree and subsequently transfer to an IHL university. This agreement is designed to allow these students to transfer credits earned at an IHL university to a MCCB community/junior college and provide them the opportunity to complete the MCCB community/junior college associate degree, without interrupting matriculation towards a baccalaureate degree.

ARTICULATION OF COURSES

The transferability and articulation of specific courses is prescribed in the MCCB and IHL Articulation Agreement.

STUDENT NOTIFICATION

Students will be notified of this agreement upon admission to MCCB and IHL institutions. After admission to IHL universities, transfer students earning at least 16 college credit hours from a single MCCB community/junior college will be notified after completing 62 hours that they may be eligible for the associate degree.

AUTOMATIC REVERSE TRANSFER

While any student may request reverse transfer of credits from an IHL institution to a community college for the purpose of receiving an associate degree, students may choose an automatic process which will occur once all the following conditions are met:

- 1. Student earns at least 16 transferrable college credit hours from a single MCCB community/junior college;
- 2. Student earns at least 62 transferrable college credit hours combined from a single MCCB community/junior college and the IHL university that they are currently attending;
- 3. Student is in good financial standing at the IHL; and

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4. Student agrees to allow the IHL university to automatically provide his/her transcript to a MCCB community/junior college.

DEGREE AUDIT

For transfer students that met conditions 1-4, the IHL university will send the transcript to the MCCB community/junior college for a degree audit. If transfer students earn at least 16 college credit hours from more than one MCCB community/junior college, the student may choose which community/junior college the IHL institution sends the transcript for a degree audit.

Upon completion of the degree audit,

- a) if all degree requirements for the community/junior college are met and the student is in good financial standing with the community/junior college, the community/junior college may award the associate degree;
- b) if all degree requirements for the community/junior college are not met or the student is not in good financial standing with the community/junior college, the community/junior college will inform the student of additional requirements.