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COLLEGE/SCHOOL/SECTION: University College / TSI

Course: Add: \_\_\_ Delete: \_\_\_ Delivery: \_\_\_  
(check all that apply) Change: Number \_\_\_ Title \_\_\_ SCH \_\_\_ Description \_\_\_ Prerequisite \_\_\_

**Response Required:** New course will be part of major \_\_\_ minor \_\_\_ as a required \_\_\_ or elective \_\_\_ course

**Response Required:** New course will introduce \_\_\_, reinforce \_\_\_, or apply \_\_\_ concepts

**Response Required:** Grade Type \_\_\_ Normal (A-F) \_\_\_ CR/NC \_\_\_ P/F

**Shortened Course Format:** Equivalent Student Learning Outcomes verified: \_\_\_\_\_

If new, provide Course Prefix, Number, Title, **Measurable** Student Learning Outcomes, SCH Value, Description, prerequisite, and lecture/lab hours if applicable. If in current online catalog, provide change and attach text with changes in red and provide a brief justification.

**Program:** Delete: \_\_\_ Add: \_\_\_ Change: \_\_\_ Attach new/changed Program of Study description and 4-year plan. If in current online catalog, provide change and attach text with changes in red.

**Program Learning Outcomes:** Add: \_\_\_ Change: \_\_\_ Attach listing of program learning outcomes.

**Minor:** Add: \_\_\_ Delete: \_\_\_ Change: \_\_\_ Attach new/changed minor. If in current online catalog, provide change and attach text with changes in red.

**College Introductory Pages:** Add information: \_\_\_ Change information: \_\_\_ Attach new/changed information. If in current online catalog, provide change and attach text with changes in red. *state policy change update.*

**Other:** Add information: \_\_\_ Change information:  Attach new/changed information. If in current online catalog, provide change and attach text with changes in red.

Approvals:	Signature	Date
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Under the title **Texas Success Initiative ( University College section)**

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The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) was adopted by the legislature in Summer 2003 (Texas Education Code, Section 51.307) and became effective September 1, 2003. ~~TSI replaced the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP).~~ Every Texas public institution of higher education must meet the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) mandates which require them to provide individualized programs to ensure the success of students in higher education. Texas A&M International's Developmental Education Plan is available on the web under the University College link.

**In addition**, each entering undergraduate student must take ~~one of the following tests prior to enrollment, all of which are~~ the **TSI Assessment (TSIA)** approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB):

~~ASSET and COMPASS offered by ACT;~~

~~CCUPLACER offered by the College Board;~~

~~Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA) offered by Evaluation Systems Group of Pearson~~

~~These tests~~ **This test** measures skills in reading, mathematics, and writing ~~None of these tests~~ **and cannot** be used as a criterion for admission.

~~While each~~ **Institutions** may **not** require a higher standard for entry into **introductory** college level classes. ~~, the State requires the following minimum passing standard:~~

<b>TESTS</b>	<b>READING</b>	<b>MATH</b>	<b>WRITING/ESSAY</b>
THEA	230	230	220
COMPASS	81	39	59/5
ASSET	41	38	40/5
ACCUPLACER	78	63	80/5

~~To take MATH 1314, College Algebra, students at Texas A&M International must score above the minimum TSI requirement for math and earn the appropriate placement score from at least one of the following placement examinations: THEA Math 250, SAT Math 450, ACT Math 19, COMPASS Algebra 45, or ACCUPLACER EA 66. Effective Spring~~

~~2008, to take English 1301, English Composition I, students at Texas A&M International must score the minimum TSI requirement for English and earn the appropriate placement score from at least one of the following examinations: THEA score of 240, TCOMP essay score of 6 and a 59 or above objective score; or ACCUPLACER essay score of 6 and an objective score of 80 or above, SAT Verbal 450, ACT English 19.~~

**Students who do not pass or take all sections of one of these tests are required to take developmental education courses in at least one of these areas to enroll at Texas A&M International.**

Students may not enroll in college level courses related to their TSI deficiencies. SAT, ACT scores must not be used for placement unless the TSI requirements have been met. Consequently, the following courses may not be taken if the corresponding test section has not been passed.

**Students who have not passed the Writing portion of the TSIA cannot take ENGL 1301, those who have not passed the Reading portion of the TSIA cannot take reading intensive courses (HIST 1301 and 1302, PSCI 2305 and 2306, and PSYC 2301) and those who have not passed the mathematics portion of the TSIA cannot take MATH 1314.**

~~reading, math or writing section may not enroll in the following classes:~~

<b>Reading</b>	<b>Math</b>	<b>Writing</b>
HIST 1301	MATH 1314	ENGL 1301
HIST 1302	MATH 1316	ENGL 1302
PSCI 2305		
PSCI 2306		

**PSYC 2301**

~~All Sophomore English Literature~~

These courses may only be taken if the developmental sequence has been completed, required testing has been completed, or if the passing **TSIA** score for the corresponding section has been achieved. For further information, contact University College, University Success Center, 222.

**Texas Success Initiative Exemptions:** Students who have scored at or above the test scores listed below are exempt.

Students can claim partial exemption if composite score is met. For further information, contact University College at the, University Success Center, 222.

<b>TEST</b>	<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>MATH</b>	<b>COMPOSITE</b>
SAT (valid for 5 years)	500	500	1070
ACT (valid for 5 years)	19	19	23
TAAS (valid for 3 years)	89 reading 1170 writing	86 Texas Learning Index	
TAKS	2200 writing sub score – 3	2200	

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**English 3**

**Algebra 2**

**Other Exemptions:**

- 1) a student who has graduated with an associate or baccalaureate degree from an institution of higher education.
- 2) a student who transfers to an institution from a private or independent institution of higher education or an accredited out-of-state institution of higher education and who has satisfactorily completed college- level course work as determined by the receiving institution.
- 3) a student who has previously attended any institution and has met the readiness standard of that institution.
- 4) a student who is serving on active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States, the Texas National Guard, or as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States and has been serving for at least three years preceding enrollment.
- 5) a student who on or after August 1, 1990, was honorably discharged, retired, or released from active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States or the Texas National Guard or from service as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States.

For more information or for TSI academic advising, students may contact the Office of the **Dean** for University College, the Testing Center, or the Advising and Mentoring Center located on the second floor of the University Success Center.