

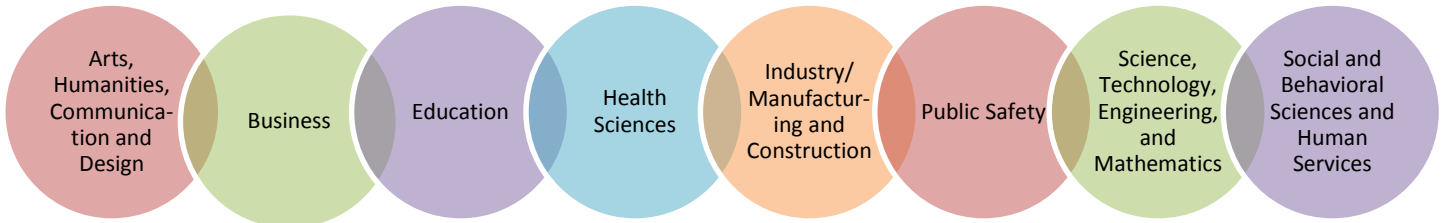


Senate Bill 1720 Initiative

HCC Developmental Education Plan

Overview: Legislative changes in 2013 mandated institutions in the Florida College System to provide developmental education that is more tailored to the specific communication and computation skills a student needs. SB 1720 also established “meta-majors”: eight discipline groupings intended to provide structured pathways for students in establishing their educational choices.

Meta Majors (Discipline Groupings)



Before SB 1720:

- All entering students take common placement test unless college-ready scores are presented
- Developmental education required for all students without college-ready scores
- Students enrolled in developmental education eligible to enroll in college-level coursework in other subject areas (as long as the coursework does not require college level reading, writing, or math skills)
- Florida College System institutions exploring developmental education reform, including modularization, compression and contextualization

After SB 1720:

- Major reforms to advising, placement and instruction
- Certain students exempt from common placement test and developmental education
 - Entered public high school 2003–04 and thereafter and graduated with standard high school diploma
 - Active duty military
- All other students required to take common placement test unless college-ready scores are presented
- All students have options
 - Exempt students may take common placement test and enroll in developmental education
 - Non-exempt students to be provided developmental education options

What Does This Mean for You?

- Effective spring 2014, if you teach college-level courses, anticipate having students in your classroom who may have tested into developmental education prior to SB 1720.
 - Encourage students to make use of academic support services such as tutoring, writing labs, and math labs.
 - Encourage students to visit the web site: <http://www.hccfl.edu/sb1720.aspx>
- Effective spring 2014, students may enter directly into selected general education math courses without taking MAT 1033 (intermediate algebra) as a pre-requisite.
- Developmental education instructors will be using new curricular options effective fall 2014.
- Full-time faculty are working on diagnostics to help ensure that students are taking classes that are appropriate for their skill sets.



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Examples of Developmental Education Options:

- Modular: One credit hour, self-paced developmental courses targeted to specific skill deficiencies
 - MAT 0055 *Developmental Math Module*
- Compressed: Developmental courses that do not span the entire semester or courses that combine content
 - ENC 0022 *Developmental Writing I and II (combined)*
- Contextualized: Developmental courses that incorporate content from other subject areas or that are aligned to specific courses within a discipline
 - MAT 0029 *Developmental Math for Statistics and Liberal Arts*
- Co-requisite: Developmental courses that supplement college-level courses
 - ENC 0055 *Developmental Writing Module* may be paired with ENC 1101 *English Composition I* for low risk students

Helpful Websites:

<http://www.hccfl.edu/sb1720.aspx>

<http://www.hccfl.edu/sb1720/faq.aspx>

<http://www.hccfl.edu/media/887988/sb-1720%20pp%20rev10-10-13.pdf>

<https://sites.google.com/site/fcsdevelopmentaleducation/>