

MANDATORY STUDENT ORIENTATION

I. Policy Section

8.0 Students

II. Policy Subsection

8.28 Mandatory Student Orientation

III. Policy Statement

All students new to GRCC who are seeking a degree or certificate are required to attend a mandatory New Student Orientation session prior to enrollment in courses. Excluded from this policy are guest, personal interest, dual enrollment, early college, and students who transfer in 12 credits taken at another college. Students can select the orientation format that best fits their needs.

IV. Reason for the Policy

External benchmarking and CCSSE and SENSE data show students who attend a mandatory have increased student success, retention, and graduation rates. Financial literacy delivered during this session will increase financial awareness and could likely have a positive impact on financial aid default rates.

V. Entities Affected by this Policy

Students

Faculty

Staff

VI. Who Should Read this Policy

Students

Faculty

Staff

VII. Related Documents

GRCC Catalog

VIII. Contacts

Policy Owner: AGC

Admissions and Enrollment Center

IX. Definitions

N/A

X. Procedures

Students who are new to the College and meet the criteria of this policy will have a service indicator placed on their account preventing class registration. Students can participate in whichever orientation format or modality made available. Once the mandatory orientation requirement has been completed, the service indicator will be released and students will be able to sign up for classes.

XI. Forms

N/A

XII. Effective Date

This policy will go into effect beginning with students who enter in Fall 2014

(September 2014)

Effective Fall 2019

XIII. Policy History

AGC approved April 2013

AGC denied approval of revised policy in January 2018

AGC approved March 2022

XIV. Next Review/Revision Date

2024-2025 Year