MANDATORY PLACEMENT

I. Policy Section

8.0 Students

II. Policy Subsection

8.2 Mandatory Placement

III. Policy Statement

GRCC students whose placement scores indicate that they need developmental coursework (in English, Math, or Reading) will be required to enroll in and pass that coursework before taking college-level English and Math courses, and other specified college-level courses.

IV. Reason for the Policy

Internal student success data, as well as external research, scholarship, and benchmarking, indicate that students who are required to take developmental coursework before taking college-level coursework are more likely to succeed and persist in their college studies.

V. Entities Affected by this Policy

Students, Faculty and Staff

VI. Who Should Read this Policy

All College Staff and Students

VII. Related Documents

GRCC Catalog

VIII. Contacts

Testing Center
Counseling and Career Center
IX. Definitions

N/A

X. Procedures

All students whose ACT subscores fall below 18 in English, or Reading must take a placement test. Students seeking to take a mathematics course at GRCC who do not have a valid prerequisite or placement are also required to take a math placement test. (Any student without ACT scores will be required to take a placement test, with the exception of Guest and Early College students.) If the placement test indicates a need for developmental English (EN 097) or Math (MA 095, 096, 097, and 098), the student must take those courses and cannot register for college-level English or Math until he or she has successfully completed them.

Students may appeal a placement by retesting after 7 days and paying a retest fee of $20. The placement of the second test will stand. Students who wish to appeal this second placement may see the Associate Dean of Student Success and Retention for a final placement determination.

Students placing into two or more developmental classes are also required to enroll and complete PY 100. Students will not be permitted to self-enroll until this course has been completed with a grade of C- or higher.

XI. Forms

N/A

XII. Effective Date

For English and Math – Winter 2010

XIII. Policy History

Adopted—January 2009
Reviewed-2012/2013
Revised December 2014

XIV. Next Review/Revision Date

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