

RACAA – RACSA
Annual Summer Meeting
Brasstown Valley Resort
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Topic: Learning Support “Rule” Changes

Background:

The following “rule” changes were accepted/approved by the Board of Regents and the Office of Academic Affairs. All rule changes must be implemented by Fall 2012.

- Allow two-year and state college institutions the prerogative to choose open admissions or to require SAT/ACT/Freshman Index for admission.
- Discontinue admission of students who test into all three areas of learning support (reading, English, math).
- Discontinue admission of students who score below the minimum COMPASS score in any of the three learning support areas. Minimum COMPASS scores are 32- English (writing), 62 – reading, and 20 – Math (algebra).
- Limit time in learning support to 3 semesters for learning support math and 2 semesters for learning support English and reading.

The maximum number of learning support classes in English and reading will be one each, with two attempts each to exit. The maximum number of learning support courses in math will be two with three attempts to exit. There will be no appeals.

- Reduce from three years to one year the mandatory waiting period for students to return to a USG institution after being placed on learning support dismissal.
- Increase the number of college-level credit hours allowed before a student can take only learning support courses from 20 to 30.

Current Status:

- The Learning Support section of the Academic Affairs Handbook has been revised.
http://www.usg.edu/academic_affairs_handbook/section2/handbook/2.9_learning_support/
- Freshman Admissions/Test Score section of the Academic Affairs Handbook is in the process of revision.
- Access Institution need to make decisions regarding reinstatement of SAT/ACT.

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- Institutions reinstating SAT/ACT: Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, College of Coastal Georgia, Dalton State College, Gainesville State College, Gordon College, Macon State College
- Institutions not requiring SAT/ACT: Georgia Gwinnett College, Middle Georgia College, Atlanta Metropolitan College, Darton College, East Georgia College, Georgia Highlands College, Georgia Perimeter College, South Georgia College, Bainbridge College, Waycross College

Action Needed:

Important to note: The Learning Support rule changes apply to all institutions who admit students who place into learning support, including those who require submission of an SAT or ACT score.

Questions:

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