



Walters State Community College

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The State University and Community College System of Tennessee

How do high school courses affect admission to college?

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT TENNESSEE BOARD OF REGENTS INSTITUTIONS NEW ADMISSIONS POLICIES EFFECTIVE FALL, 1989

If you are thinking about attending a community college or university governed by the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) following high school graduation, there are some new admissions policies that you need to understand. Beginning with the fall, 1989 term:

- All **TBR universities will require** that undergraduate freshmen have the high school subject units listed below for regular admission. High school courses fulfilling these requirements are shown on the reverse side.

All **TBR community colleges will recommend, but not require**, the same subject units for freshmen admitted to programs designed for transfer to baccalaureate schools. Students admitted without these subjects must remove the deficiencies with college courses, for elective credit only, before receiving an associate degree.

WHY TAKE THESE COURSES?

ENGLISH
(4 units)

English courses are the foundation for the Basic Skills of COMMUNICATION (reading, writing speaking and listening). You will be asked on many occasions and in many different situations to write and to speak the English language correctly. You will be asked to read in depth and to listen to others speak and then be able to summarize what you have read and heard.

MATH
(3 units)

An understanding of mathematics is needed in a modern scientific and technologically advanced society. All professional fields make use of the language of mathematics. College and university mathematics is an extension of your high school mathematics courses, not a duplication of these courses. If you are bound for a college or university, you should consider a fourth year of high school mathematics. Even if you are not going to a university or college, a firm foundation in mathematics will help you compete successfully in the world of work.

SCIENCE
(2 units)

Science courses will provide you with an understanding of the important principles and concepts that govern the natural and physical world. Science courses will help you to think logically and critically. They will require you to apply learned mathematical skills. They will give you a sense of how scientific discovery has shaped and changed the world in which we live. High school science will give you the foundational knowledge needed for college and university science courses.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE
(2 units)

The knowledge of a foreign language will extend your understanding of the English language and give you an appreciation of cultural diversity. Having a knowledge of a foreign language will help college-bound students prepare for law, science, commerce, international studies, medicine and the arts.

AMERICAN HISTORY,
SOCIAL STUDIES &
FINE ARTS:
(1 unit each)

Courses in social studies provide students with a greater knowledge of how societies develop and function and a clearer understanding of their social environment. Courses in American History provide further understanding and appreciation of America's values and promote active citizenship. Courses in the Fine Arts provide experience and promote appreciation of artistic expression. They also challenge the individual's imagination and enhance the quality of life.

In addition to these, an additional unit in the arts, in mathematics, and in foreign languages is recommended. Different requirements may exist for some freshman applicants (e.g., GED, early admission, international students, or students who graduated from high school more than five years prior to applying for college admission). Applicants who attended high schools not offering the required courses may be admitted to a university, but must remove the deficiencies during the first 64 semester hours.

Do You Need More Information?

Contact the Department of Admissions at Walters State Community College
423-585-0828 or 1-800-225-4770

Tennessee High School Courses Which Meet the University of Tennessee and Tennessee Board of Regents University Admissions Requirements

UT/TBR Unit Requirements	High School Courses	
	Courses Fulfilling Requirements	Courses Not Fulfilling Requirements
English 4 units required	English I, II, III, IV Applied Communication ¹	Journalism Speech Business Communication
Mathematics 3 units required A. Algebra & Advanced Math Sequence Algebra 2 units required AND Advanced Mathematics 1 unit required OR B. Integrated Math Sequence 3 units required	Algebra I or Math for Technology II Algebra II Math IV Probability and Statistics Unified Geometry Pre-Calculus Trigonometry	Accounting I, II, III Applied Mathematics I, II Arithmetic Business Math Computer Technology Math for Technology I Pre-Algebra
Natural/Physical Sciences 2 units required At least 1 unit MUST BE from Group A	Group A Biology I, II Biology for Technology Chemistry I, II Group B Anatomy & Physiology Ecology ³ Ecology & Conservation of Natural Resources ⁴ Environmental Science (AP only) Physics Prin. of Technology I, II Physics General Science ⁵ Geology Nutrition Science Physical Science Science 1-A (Ag Science)	Earth Science Environmental Science Life Science
U.S. History 1 unit required	U.S. History	
Social Studies 1 unit required	Ancient History European History Modern History World Geography World History	Anthropology Civics Contemporary Issues Economics Psychology Sociology U.S. Government
Foreign Language 2 units in same language required	French German Japanese Latin Russian Spanish Other Languages	American Sign Language Computer Language
Visual/Performing Arts 1 unit required	Art History Dance I, II, III or IV General Music Instrumental Music Music History Music Theory Theater Arts Visual Arts Vocal Music	Commercial Art Drafting Industrial Arts Public Speaking (Speech) Physical Education Classes

The courses listed on this chart are those currently approved by the State Board of Education for approved Tennessee high schools. In addition, a corresponding Advanced Placement (AP) course may be used to satisfy a particular unit requirement. Out-of-state students and graduates from home schools or non-approved high schools must meet the same requirements. Once admitted, students must remove any and all deficiencies in these requirements. Tennessee community colleges provide open admission to all high school graduates. However, students pursuing an Associate of Arts (A.A.) or Associate of Science (A.S.) degree must remove any high school unit deficiencies, for elective credit only, prior to graduation.

² This course may appear on the high school transcript as Applied Communications or as English III or English IV.

³ Approved by the Department of Education effective Fall 1997.

⁴ Discontinued by the Department of Education effective Fall 1997.

⁵ Discontinued by the Department of Education effective June 1993.