

Learning Support and Georgia Legislative Requirement Updates

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Learning Support Update

March 19, 2020

- USG goes test optional
- HSGPA thresholds to be used as admissions criteria for each sector

Sector	HSGPA Admissions Threshold
Research	3.0
Comprehensive	2.31
State University	2.18
State College	2.0

New Problem: Admissions Thresholds Lower Than Corequisite Exemption Thresholds

- Accuplacer testing unavailable indefinitely.

Sector	HSGPA Admissions Threshold	Corequisite Category	Corequisite Exemption HSGPA
Research	3.0	English	3.1
Comprehensive	2.31	MATH 1001, 1101, 1401	3.2
State University	2.18	MATH 1111	3.4
State College	2.0		

Learning Support Update

March 30, 2020

- Lower High School Grade Point Averages to exempt Corequisite Learning Support announced.

Corequisite Category	Old Corequisite Exemption HSGPA	New Corequisite Exemption HSGPA
English	3.1	2.5
MATH 1001, 1101, 1401	3.2	2.5
MATH 1111	3.4	2.8

Other Updates

March 30, 2020

- English Proficiency – Duolingo accepted for summer and fall 2020 applicants
- Adjustments for Dual Enrollment admission.

August 25, 2020

- Test optional policies and admission and corequisite exemption GPA thresholds to continue for admissions spring, summer, fall 2021.

Most Recent Updates

May 12, 2021

- Announcement that standard admissions requirements would resume for 2022.
- Includes Dual Enrollment admission.
- ~~Duolingo~~
- Corequisite exemption scores remained unchanged (**indefinitely**).

Corequisite Category	Corequisite Exemption HSGPA
English	2.5
MATH 1001, 1101, 1401	2.5
MATH 1111	2.8

Point of clarification

- HSGPA can only be used to exempt placement in Corequisite Learning Support in English/mathematics when students have met the RHSC requirements in English/mathematics.
- Not a change
- Academic and Student Affairs Handbook 2.9.1

Georgia Legislative Requirements

- No student can earn an undergraduate degree in the University System of Georgia without meeting these requirements.
 - Georgia Code 32-171
 - BOR Policy Manual 3.3.4
 - Academic and Student Affairs Handbook
 - 2.4.4 – brief mention (Area E)
 - 2.X – more comprehensive guidance
 - Georgia Legislative Requirements web page: https://www.usg.edu/curriculum/georgia_legislative_requirements

Academic and Student Affairs Handbook (draft)

University System of Georgia (USG) institutions ensure that their degree-seeking students meet these four requirements by requiring students to take appropriate courses (or a single course) in history and/or political science.

At four USG institutions all of the Georgia Legislative Requirements can be met by taking a single course:

- Albany State University – POLS 1101 American Government
- Georgia Institute of Technology
 - HIST 2111 The U.S. to 1877 or
 - HIST 2112 The US since 1877 or
 - INTA 1200 American Government in Comparative Perspective or
 - POL 1101 Government of the United States or
 - PUBP 3000 American Constitutional Issues

At four USG institutions all of the Georgia Legislative Requirements can be met by taking a single course:

- Gordon State College
 - HIST 2111 American History I or
 - HIST 2112 American History II
- University of North Georgia
 - HIST 2111 U.S. History I or
 - HIST 2112 U.S. History II or
 - POLS 1101 American Government

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Students who receive credit for these same history and political science courses based on examination scores or by transfer of credit from most institutions outside the USG or TCSG will not have met the Georgia Legislative requirements because there is no mandate that Georgia history and constitution be covered as part of these courses or covered by these examinations. These students will have to take and pass separate examinations on Georgia history and constitution or take qualifying coursework to meet the Georgia requirements.

Students with AP credit for U.S. History (HIST 2110, 2111, or 2112) or American Government (POLS 1101):

- Will have met the requirement(s) for Instruction or successful completion of an examination in United States history and/or U.S. Constitution.
- Will still need to meet the requirement for Instruction or successful completion of an examination in Georgia history and/or Georgia Constitution.
- Note: Some institutions give credit for the Georgia History and/or Georgia Constitution requirement(s) to students who took AP courses in Georgia high schools.

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Some institutions outside the USG and TCSG do include Georgia History and Georgia Constitution content in their U.S. History and American Government courses, as documented in their catalog course descriptions. Students who are awarded transfer credit for these courses at specific Georgia institutions may also receive credit for Georgia History and Georgia Constitution requirements, as appropriate.

Specific courses at the following Georgia institutions meet the Georgia Legislative Requirements.

- Andrew College
- Brewton-Parker College
- Georgia Military College
- Point University
- Reinhardt University

<https://www.usg.edu/curriculum/assets/curriculum/documents/TableofPrivateInstitutions.pdf>

Course Description/Comments

This course surveys American history from the age of exploration and colonization through the Civil War. Special attention is given to Georgia's role during this period of history. This course satisfies the U.S. History and Georgia History requirements.

This course surveys American history from Reconstruction to the present day. Special attention is given to Georgia's role during this period of history. This course satisfies the U.S. History and Georgia History requirements.

This is a study of the federal government of the United States with its historical background, the constitutional principles involved in our federal form of government, and analysis of the powers and functions of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial branches. The state government is studied through the use of the Georgia Constitution.

Why do we care?

- Students who have completed all of their **course** requirements may find themselves unable to graduate because they have not met the Georgia Legislative requirements.
- Happens with students who have AP or transfer credit for POLS 1101 American Government or HIST 2111 or 2112 U.S. History I or II.

What can you do for students who have course credit but not Georgia Requirement credit?

- Students who have AP, IB, or transfer credit for US History or American Government courses without meeting the Georgia Requirements need a lot of support to understand the requirement.
- You may want to show them the Georgia Legislative Requirements web page.
- Initial conversations should take place at the time of enrollment.

What can you do for students who have course credit but not Georgia Requirement credit?

- Students can take and pass examinations on Georgia History, Georgia Constitution, or both.
- Study materials and testing are generally available through institutional testing centers.
- Details for each institution at: https://www.usg.edu/curriculum/georgia_legislative_requirements

Georgia Legislative Requirements at USG Institutions

Institution	Courses and Tests	Additional Information
Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College	Meets the U.S. and Georgia History requirements: HIST 2111 United States History I OR HIST 2112 United States History II	Course only meets the Georgia History requirement when taken at a USG or TCSG institution.
	Meets the U.S. and Georgia Constitution requirements: POLS 1101 American Government	Course only meets the Georgia Constitution requirement when taken at a USG or TCSG institution.
	Transfer Students and Students with Credit by Exam	Testing
Albany State University	This course satisfies the legislative requirements for U.S. History, U.S. Constitution, Georgia History, and Georgia Constitution: POLS 1101 American Government	Course only meets the Georgia History and Constitution requirements when taken at a USG or TCSG institution.
	Transfer Students and Students with Credit by Exam	Students who did not take HIST 2111 or 2112 and POLS 1101 in the State of Georgia will be required to take and pass the POLS 0100 test before graduation to complete the legislative requirement.
Atlanta Metropolitan State College	History and Government requirements	
	Meets the U.S. and Georgia History requirements: HIST 2111 United States History I OR HIST 2112 United States History II	Course only meets the Georgia History requirement when taken at a USG or TCSG institution.