



RACRA Update Spring 2025

IMPACTS, Learning Support, Transfer, and other things

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IMPACTS Implementation

- New domain structure implemented
 - Career competencies are being called out
 - Still work to do on clear communication in Degree Works, Catalogs, Webpages
 - Student interfaces
 - Tackling issues Question by Question and Case by Case
- Transfer – please let me know about any issues
- Academic & Student Affairs Handbook (ASH)
 - If you see errors, the need for clarifying statements or have questions about the guidance, please let me know.

Learning Support

- Evolution

- Pre-req to co-req
- Post-Covid HS GPA and recovery
- Unique data analysis possibilities

- New for Fall 2026

- Recalibrated HS GPA thresholds – all other measures remain the same
 - Implement for Fall 2026 or earlier

Proposed High School GPA Learning Support Exemption Criteria

Subject	Current Minimum	New Minimum
English	2.7	2.5
Other Math courses	3.1	2.7
College Algebra	3.2	3.2

- Allowing for new placement mechanisms
- With approval and a data analysis plan
- Cannot place someone into LS who has exempted out by any other measure

TCSG Course Articulations

- Expanded the 2012 Gen Ed course list from 28 to 38
- BoR Approval 4/16/2025
- Fall 2025 implementation

TCSG Prefix & Number	TCSG Title	USG course equivalent	USG IMPACTS Core Domain option
COMM 1100	Human Communication	Common Course – COMM 1100 Human Communication	Institution or Humanities
ENGL 2110	World Literature	Common Courses – ENGL 2110 World Literature or ENGL 2111 World Literature 1	Humanities
MUSC 1101	Music Appreciation	Common Course – MUSC 1100 Music Appreciation	Humanities
POLS 2401	Global Issues	Common Course – POLS 2401 Global Issues	Social Sciences
RELG 1101	World Religions	RELG 1101 World Religions	Humanities or Social Sciences
SPAN 1101	Intro Spanish Language & Culture I	Common Course – SPAN 1001 Elementary Spanish I	Humanities
SPAN 1102	Intro Spanish Language & Culture II	Common Course – SPAN 1002 Elementary Spanish II	Humanities
THEA 1101	Theater Appreciation	Common Course – THEA 1100 Theatre Appreciation	Humanities
ENGL 2310	English Lit – Beginnings to 1700	Common Courses – ENGL 2120 British Literature or ENGL 2121 British Literature I	Humanities
PSYC 2103	Human Development	Common Course – PSYC 2103 Introduction to Human Development	Social Sciences

Council on General Education and other RAC operations

- Course approvals
 - RAC → Gen Ed Council → Institution Notification
 - New SmartSheet forms
 - Trying to streamline process and make it more transparent
 - Feel free to send me suggestions
- Field of Study
 - Outside of the 42 hours of the Core
 - Classes that prepare students for upper level work
 - Must include the pre-reqs for the upper level work either here or in the last 60 credits
 - Currently being evaluated by the Academic RACs

Other projects

- Transfer Improvement project
 - Looking for volunteers for my specific work group on refining and optimizing CRM solutions
 - Student experience
 - Workflows
 - Data Analysis
- Private Institutions List for Citizenship requirements
- HB 801 – STEM bump
 - All notifications have gone out
 - Another round comes up in Fall 2025
- Academic Common Market (ACM)
 - More outreach for program evaluations
 - More student requests
 - Proactive - Evaluating new program approvals



Questions???

And

Thank you!!!

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