Admissions 9001

As a comprehensive community college, Southeastern Illinois College welcomes all who wish to avail themselves of its various educational programs, community services and physical facilities. However, in order to enroll in a college level program, whether baccalaureate-transfer or vocationally oriented, it is necessary to apply for admission to those programs by following the procedures as described in the subsequent sections.

General Admissions Requirements

The College admits applicants to associate degree and certificate programs (1) by a certificate of graduation (transcript) from a secondary school; (2) by transfer from other accredited colleges or universities; (3) by presentation of an earned state approved high school equivalency exam; and (4) by special permission if the applicant wishes to attend as a part-time or unclassified student. There are several programs that have special admission requirements. Refer to the college catalog or appropriate dean and/or division chair for further information.

SIC provides Adult Basic Education (ABE) and Adult Secondary Education (ASE/high school equivalency exam) programs. See the program coordinator for details.

Unclassified Admissions

Students who do not have a high school diploma or high school equivalency exam certificate may not be admitted to associate degree or certificate programs as regular, full-time college students, but are encouraged to enroll in the high school equivalency exam prep courses. They may take any non-credit community service courses.

Students without a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate may be granted special permission to enroll in a limited number of college credit courses while concurrently enrolled in a GED prep course. In order to be granted permission, the student may be required to take a college placement exam. Those students who score at college level may enroll in college credit courses. College level work will be restricted twelve (12) semester hours until the student successfully passes the high school equivalency exam.

Acceptance of applications and granting of admission are subject to completion of the application process.

Admission to Associates in Arts and Associates in Science Degrees

High School Subject Requirements

Effective with the 1993 Fall Semester, Illinois state law requires that new freshman applicants and transfer applicants with less than 26 semester or 39 quarter hours of college-level credit must, also, satisfactorily complete high school course requirements for admission into the Associate in Art or Associate in Science degree programs. Students who do not meet these high school requirements will be admitted on a provisional basis.

High School Course Requirements are as follows:

ENGLISH: Four (4) years of course work emphasizing written and oral communication and literature are required. General reading, mass communications, radio/televisions/film and theater typically are not accepted.

MATHEMATICS: Three (3) years of course work including introductory through advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry or fundamentals of computer programming are acceptable. Prealgebra, business math, career or consumer math typically are not acceptable.

LAB SCIENCE: Three (3) yeas of course work in laboratory science including biology, chemistry, physics, earth science or other college preparatory science are required. General science courses typically are not acceptable.

SOCIAL SCIENCE: Three (3) years of course work emphasizing history and government are required. Anthropology, economics, geography, political, psychology and sociology are also acceptable.

ELECTIVES: Two (3) years of course work in a foreign language, music, art, or vocational education are required. (Note: One year is defined as 1.0 unit; $\frac{1}{2}$ year = .50 units; $\frac{1}{3}$ = .33 units; $\frac{1}{4}$ = .25 units.)

EXEMPTIONS: When admitted, students in the following categories are exempt from the High School Requirements:

- 1. Transfer students with more than 26 semester or 39 quarter hours of college credit;
- 2. Students who have earned an ACT composite score of 20 or higher; and,
- 3. Students who have scored at college level on an SIC-approved college placement exam.

In addition to the admission requirements noted above, all students are required to take a college placement exam. If through testing, students demonstrate a need for remediation in English, Math, or Reading, they may be provisionally admitted to the program. Placement into remedial courses may occur even if a student has met the high school requirements.

Provisional Admissions

Students who do not score at college level on SIC's approved placement test will be considered deficient in those respective areas. These deficiencies can be rectified by successful completion of related college coursework and enable students to be fully admitted to a transfer program.

Provisionally admitted students will be required to make up all course deficiencies as early as possible during the first 30 semester hours of credit. A deficiency may also be corrected at another institution prior to transfer to Southeastern Illinois College. One all course deficiencies have been satisfied, the students will be fully admitted to a program.

All students who demonstrate through testing a need for remediation in English, Math or Reading will be required to successfully complete the required developmental coursework before the student can enroll in an entry level course in the same subject area and must be taken as early as possible during the first 30 semester hours of credit.

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