

Freshmen Orientation Registration Guide

• All freshmen will be pre-registered for (viewable on PAWS):

- o BUS 099 Freshmen Business Seminar (no credit, Wednesday mornings for 10 weeks)
- o IDS 102 Information Literacy (no credit, on-line tutorials)
- IDS 103 Community Engaged Learning (no credit)
- o First Seminar (FSP) course
- o Liberal learning, elective or other business requirement
- ECO 101 Microeconomics or ECO 102 Macroeconomics (based on SAT Math Score)*
- Math course based on SAT Math score**

650 and higher	MAT 125 Calculus
600-640	MAT 096 Pre-Calculus (no credit) (but have option to
	request MAT 125 Calculus)
550-590	MAT 096 Pre-Calculus (no credit)
540 and below	MAT 095 Intermediate Algebra (no credit)

- ACC 191 (**for Accounting majors only)
- *Students who do not meet the pre-requisite for ECO 101 or 102 are encouraged to take a liberal learning or elective course.
- **Students may take a "refresher" course for Intermediate Algebra or Pre-calculus (though TCNJ Math site) and take a placement test during Welcome Week.

AP Scores

- o If you receive a (4) in AP ECO 101, AP ECO 102, AP Calculus AB, or a (3) in AP Calculus BC, we can make changes to your schedule today.
- If you place out of MAT 125 through AP, you may take STA 215 or another liberal learning/elective course.
- o An AP score of (4) on the Statistics exam will give you credit for STA 215.

• Transfer Courses

We will accept transfer credit for Calculus, Economics, etc. You must receive a "C" or better
and the course MUST appear on a college transcript. We will not accept a college course listed
on a high school transcript. These transcripts must be sent to Admissions or Records and
Registration.

• Language Placement

- Economics (BA) students are required to take a language up to the third level (or second level for an Intensive Language).
- Students who have studied a language in high school should take (or may have already taken) the language placement exam
 - A student may place into the first, second, third level of a language or may place out of the language entirely. Students who test out of any of the levels must make up the waived credits in their free elective section.
- Students who are beginning a new language do not have to take the placement exam
- o If you are signing up for a language, you must register for both a lecture AND a conversation hour.

O Students who wish to begin intensive, 2 unit languages such as Russian, Arabic, Persian, Chinese and Japanese may need to begin these courses in the Fall of Sophomore year.

• Exemption from WRI 102 (offered in the Spring semester)

- Score of 580 in both SAT Reading and SAT Math
- Score of (4) on AP English or History
- o TCNJ Writing Placement

Liberal Learning

- Students are encouraged to choose from any of the liberal learning categories on their advisement report, but should be mindful that "social sciences" such as psychology, criminology, etc. will count toward elective credit only. Students are encouraged to look for Arts/Humanities courses (Literature, Art, Music, Philosophy, and Religion), Social Change in Historical Perspective, Natural Science, and/or Civic Responsibilities.
- FSPs can also satisfy liberal learning
 - Example: FSP III satisfies "World Views and Ways of Knowing," while FSP I31 Satisfies "Social Change in Historical Perspective."
 - All students should only have ONE FSP! Students should not sign up for a second FSP to satisfy liberal learning.
- o Always consult PAWS or liberal learning website for approved liberal learning courses.
- Some Liberal Learning courses satisfy multiple requirements:
 - Example: WGS 220 Gender and Pop Culture satisfies "Literary, Visual and Performing Arts" and "Gender"

Logging into PAWS

- o Log into myTCNJ on the top of www.tcnj.edu (under Web Tools) by using email user name and password. You will see PAWS on the left hand side.
- On the Student Center page, you will see the courses for which you have been pre-registered.

Changing Majors

- Students may submit a "Change of Major/Specialization" application between September 17 and October 5. Acceptance into the desired major is not guaranteed. Students should follow the instructions listed under "Change of Major/Specialization Guidelines" on the School of Business website
- o If you are curious about the courses you would need for a different major, you can run a "what if" report. You may also do this if you're considering a minor or double major!

Additional Information

- Full-time status is 3 course units (12 credits). No freshman may register for more than 4.5 course units (18 credits).
- While you are welcome to make changes to your schedule up through the first week of the semester, you may not change your FSP course since this course will be tied to your housing.

Advising

 PAWS will indicate the name of your advisor. While we will pre-register you for your first semester, you will meet with your individual advisor in October/November to create your Spring 2014 schedule.