

**Communication Skills Department**  
**Reading ACT Exam- Course Sequence**  
(updated Spring I, 2007)

All students are given the Reading ACT exam when they enter the college. The passing score for exemption from reading courses is **70**. If students do not pass the Reading ACT with a score of **70**, they must take an intervention before they are allowed to retake the ACT.

- If students fail the entrance exam, they will be placed in one of two courses, **CSE 095 (Essentials of Reading I)** or **CSE 099 (Essentials of Reading II)**.

Students with a placement code of **42** scored within the range of **19-54** and should be placed in **CSE 095**.

Students with a placement code of **44** scored within a range of **55-69** and should be placed in **CSE 099**.

Students who pass **CSE 095** will have to register for **CSE 099**.

Students will retake the ACT, after they have taken **CSE 099**.

- If students pass **CSE 099**, with a grade of D or higher, but fail the ACT, they will retake the ACT after they have taken **CSZ 099 (Academic Reading Strategies)**.

If students receive a grade of R or F in **CSE 099**, they will retake the ACT after they retake **CSE 099**.

- As of Spring I, 2007, students in **CSZ 099** who fail the ACT will receive a grade of R and will retake the ACT after they have retaken **CSZ 099**. These students should no longer be advised to take **CSX 099 (Reading ACT Workshop)**.

If students receive a grade of F in **CSZ 099**, they will retake the ACT after they retake **CSZ 099**.

If students currently have a grade of D or higher in **CSZ 099** but have not passed the ACT, they will need to register for **CSX 099** in order to retake the ACT.

- The grade for **CSX 099** is based on the students' results on the ACT. Students will receive a "U" grade in **CSX 099** if they do not pass the ACT. They will have to continue to retake **CSX 099** until they pass the ACT. Students will receive an "S" grade if they pass the ACT. If students incorrectly received an "S" grade in **CSX 099** but have not passed the ACT, they should go to E 115 in order to receive permission to retake **CSX 099**.

Students who have to repeat **CSX 099** should be referred to E 115 to learn if they are eligible for express workshops.

**NOTE: As of Fall I, 2005, CSX 200 is no longer being offered as an intervention for the Reading ACT exam.**