

# UC 9237 07S

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Academic Policies and Procedures Committee

SUBJECT **UC 9187 06F; UC 9195 06F; UC 9112 06F**

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The Academic Policies and Procedures Committee met November 29, 2006 and January 17, 2007. Committee members present: Charles Peters, Maria Solino, and Rebecca Achée Thornton. Agnes DeFranco attended the meetings as a guest.

The Enrollment Management Task Force has proposed that all first time in college freshmen be required to take the Math Placement Exam. Currently, all Honors College freshmen as well as students in ARCH, ENFT NSM, PHAR and TECH are required to take this exam. Pre-CLASS majors are allowed various exemptions (based on SAT, ACT, etc scores). This proposal is an effort to standardize this policy across campus for all majors. **UC 9195 06F** and **UC 9112 06F** are documents coming from John Antel in CLASS and Liz Fletcher in BAUER supporting this proposal.

Students who have earned college math credit with a C or above are exempt. Students who have received college math credit by test (AP, IB, etc) are also exempt.

Students will have the option of taking the placement exam online or in person. Jeff Morgan in mathematics will be designing an online test and, depending on budget issues, study materials and practice tests.

Students enrolled in MATH 1310 who perform poorly on the first test will be dropped into a MATH 1300 class to begin on the first day of the third semester week. This permits an immediate 'correction' to misplacement so the student can continue progress to graduation rather than waiting to take 1300 or waiting to retake 1310 the following semester. There are some questions regarding our registration system's ability to manage this late start enrollment, maintenance of ORD enrollment, as well as the cost of faculty to cover the courses. Thus, the task force recommends a small scale trial for the late start 1300 course for the fall 2007 semester.

In the undergraduate catalog on page 31, the section regarding the math placement should be deleted and the following language inserted:

## **B. Mathematics Placement**

**All freshmen entering from high school and freshmen transferring into UH with less than 15 hours of college credits are required to take the mathematics placement exam.**

The committee recommends approval of this proposal.