

CAREER CERTIFICATE

ST. JOHNS RIVER STATE COLLEGE

POST SECONDARY JOB TRAINING

St. Johns River State College offers several postsecondary training programs that prepare students for entry into a given career or vocation. Each of the following programs prepares students for a specific occupation or one of a cluster of related occupations:

- Correctional Officer
 - Cross-Over Training to Florida Law Enforcement Academy
- Correctional Probation Officer
 - Cross-Over Training to Florida Corrections Academy
 - Cross-Over Training to Florida Law Enforcement Academy
- Florida Corrections Officer Academy
- Florida Law Enforcement Officer Academy
- Law Enforcement Officer
 - Cross-Over Training to Florida CMS Correctional Basic Recruit Training Program
- Medical Assisting
- Nursing Assistant
- Practical Nursing

To complete a program, students must demonstrate that they have mastered specific job-related performance requirements. These are not college credit programs. Students who complete these programs will earn vocational credit.

Corequisites, prerequisites, and advisor recommended courses such as SLS 1101 may be considered a “part” of the program of study even though the courses may not be listed in the program description in the catalog. Corequisites and prerequisites may be required to advance to the next academic level, and SLS 1101 may be needed to better assure academic success.

ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION

Students requesting enrollment certification for educational benefits must be admitted to and be enrolled in a vocational program. The minimum attendance requirement may vary by program and agency.

ADMISSION

A Career Certificate (CC) prepares students for entry into a given career or vocation. To be admitted to SJR State as a Career Certificate seeking student, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

1. Be at least 16 years of age; furnish proof if asked;
2. Submit a completed SJR State application and, unless waived or exempt, the application fee;
3. Submit application for appropriate CC program;
4. Complete admissions testing, if required; and
5. If required, one of the following:
 - copy of a standard high school diploma; or
 - a high school diploma through any State Department of Education based on performance on the General Education Development (GED) test, provided the test was administered in English; or
 - a home education program meeting the requirements of F.S. 1002.41

BASIC SKILLS REQUIREMENTS FOR CAREER CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Students entering into a career certificate program consisting of 450 hours or more are required to complete an entry-level basic skills examination after admission into the program and within the first six (6) weeks from the start of the term, unless they meet one of the exemptions. St. Johns River State College administers the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) Forms 11 and 12, to assess student mastery of basic skills in the subject areas of reading, language and mathematics. Rule 6A-10.040

EXEMPTIONS

The following students are exempt from taking the initial basic skills assessment per S. 1004.91, F.S. It is the student’s responsibility to provide an official document or transcript to determine if an exemption has been met prior to initial testing.

- A student who possesses a college degree at the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) level or higher.
- A student who entered ninth grade in a Florida Public School in the 2003-2004 school year, or any year thereafter, and earned a Florida standard high school diploma.
- A student who is serving as an active duty member of any branch of the United States Armed Services.
- A student who passes a state, national or industry certification or licensure examination that is identified in State Board of Education rules and aligned to the career education program in which the student is enrolled.
- An adult student who is enrolled in an apprenticeship program that is registered with the Department of Education in accordance with Chapter 446, F.S.
- A student who passed the GED test in 2014, or any year thereafter, and entered a postsecondary school within two (2) years after testing.
- A student who successfully completed college-level English (ENC 1101) and college-level mathematics (MAT 1033) or higher with a final grade of “C” or higher.
- A student who successfully completed developmental education coursework with a final grade of “C” or higher.
- A student who demonstrates readiness to perform college-level coursework by meeting or exceeding standard placement test scores (PERT, ACT, SAT, Accuplacer/CPT) and enters a postsecondary program within two (2) years after achieving such scores.

No student is exempt from basic skills requirements because of language deficiencies. English Language Learners shall be given English language instruction and remediation in basic skills as needed to improve proficiency. Rule 6A-6.09091

REMEDIATION

Non-exempt students who do not meet the required minimum level of basic skills will be provided with instruction specifically designed to strengthen the area(s) of deficiency prior to TABE retesting. No student shall be awarded a career certificate of completion until the student achieves the minimum level of basic skills required for that program by the Department of Education.

A student with a documented, qualifying disability as defined in Florida Statute S. 1004.02 (06), F.S., that substantially interferes with the ability to pass the TABE, may request to be exempt from meeting the career basic skills exit requirements for completion of a career and technical education program, once remediation has been completed.