

# Advanced Technical Credit-Statewide Articulation



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# What is ATC?

**The **Advanced Technical Credit** (ATC) Program gives high school students a chance to receive credit at participating community colleges across Texas for taking certain enhanced technical courses.**

# Advanced Technical Credit

- **A statewide agreement between the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Texas Education Agency.**
- **A state-designed, advanced college placement program, the Advanced Technical Credit Program (ATC).**

# Teacher Eligibility

Teachers **must** meet SACS requirements:

**Requirement 1:** The teacher must have a baccalaureate degree or higher in the teaching discipline.

**OR**

**Requirement 2:** The teacher must have a minimum of an associate degree and 3 years verifiable non-teaching work experience directly related to the teaching discipline.

# Teacher Eligibility

- ⦿ **The teacher's degree and/or work experience must be related directly to the teaching discipline.**
  - (approval based more on cluster area).
  - > **For instance, a teacher with a degree in biology would not qualify to teach Anatomy and Physiology in the Health Science Cluster unless they also had a degree and/or work experience related to hands on patient care.**

# Training Overview

## ATC PART I

**General  
instruction  
(on line)**

## ATC PART II

**Course-specific  
instruction  
One hour  
minimum per  
college course**

**Eligibility to teach an ATC course expires  
three years after approval.**

# **ATC Program Requirements for Students**

- **Junior or senior year completion of sequence**
- **Grade of at least 80%.....*And***
- **Enroll in a related technical degree program**
- **Enroll within 15 months of graduation  
*(time may be extended)***
- **Credit awarded on enrollment?  
*(however, a college may elect to require up to six credit hours)***

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## Obstacles:

- **Not all colleges are participating.**
- **Not all courses or programs are offered at all colleges.**
- **HS courses must be applied to a two-year technical program to receive credit.**

# How does ATC benefit the colleges?

- **Aids in recruitment**
- **High quality of student**

**We need  
your help**

# End of Course Testing

- **Computer Applications (POFI 1301, 1401) or Introduction to Computers (ITSC 1301, 1401)**
- **Computer Applications II (POFI 1341, 1441) or Integrated Software Applications I (ITSC 1309, 1409)**
- **Introduction to Accounting I (ACNT 1303, 1403) or Principles of Accounting (ACNT 1325, 1425)**
- **Introduction to Accounting II (ACNT 1304, 1404)**
- **Sanitation and Safety (CHEF 1205, 1305)**
- **Nutrition for the Food Service Professional (IFWA 1218, 1318)**

# **Training and Alignments**

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