



# Road Map to Success: High School/College Planning

## GRADUATION PLANS

### Foundation + Endorsements 24 Credits

English	4
Math	3
Social Studies	4
Science	3
Foreign Language	2
Fine Arts	1
Speech	0.5
Electives	5.5
PE	1

- ⊕ STAAR (End Of Course) Complete
- ⊕ 1 Endorsement (Recommended)

### Distinguished Level of Achievement 27 credits + Other District Requirements

English	4
Math	3
Social Studies	4
Science	3
Foreign Language	2
Fine Arts	1
Speech	0.5
Electives	5.5
PE	1

- ⊕ STAAR (End Of Course) Complete
- ⊕ 1 Endorsement (Required)
- ⊕ Performance Acknowledgment (Recommended)
- \*Must Include an Advanced Math Course

### Distinguished Level of Achievement with Collegiate Honors 28 credits + Other District Requirements

English	4	Fine Arts	1
Math	4	Speech	0.5
Social Studies	4	Electives	6.5
Science	4	PE	1
Foreign Language	3	College Hours	42+

- ⊕ STAAR (End Of Course) Complete
- ⊕ 1 Endorsement (Required)

- ⊕ Performance Acknowledgment (Recommended)
- \*Must Include an Advanced Math Course

## ENDORSEMENTS/CAREER PROGRAMS

- Multidisciplinary
- Public Services
- Arts and Humanities
- Business and Industry
- STEM

## CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- STC Associate
- Non-Dual Programs
- STC Certificates
- Industry Certification Programs
- TSTC Associate
- Industry Certifications Embedded

## PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- Outstanding Performance Dual Credit Courses (12 hrs. College Credit with a B+)
- Bilingualism and Biliteracy (See TEA Requirements)
- Outstanding Performance on College Board AP (3+)
- Outstanding Performance on PSAT, ACT Aspire, ACT, SAT (Meets Benchmarks)
- Nationally or internationally recognized business or industry certification or license

## PSJA DUAL LANGUAGE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM DISTINCTION

- 2018-19 Graduates need 8 DL credits (4 Spanish Language, 3 DL content, 1 DL elective or 4 DL content)
- 2019-20 Graduates need 8 DL credits (4 Spanish Language, 3 DL content, 1 DL elective or 4 DL content)
- Beginning with the 2020-21 Graduates and thereafter, they will need 10 DL credits (6 Spanish Language, 3 DL content, 1 DL elective or 4 DL content)

## STATE OF TEXAS ASSESSMENT OF ACADEMIC READINESS (STAAR)

In order to graduate from Texas public high school, students must pass five end of course tests:

Algebra I, Biology, English I, English II & US History

For testing dates visit:

<http://tea.texas.gov/student.assessment/calendars/>

For more detailed information, please contact your campus counselor or the Counseling & Guidance Department at 956.354.2088

# SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

## Student Enrollment Process Requirements

1. **Decide** - Choose a major that aligns with your high school endorsement.
2. **Apply** - Complete the online application for Admission to South Texas College at [www.ApplyTexas.org](http://www.ApplyTexas.org)
3. **Qualify** - You may be exempt based on ACT, SAT or PSAT scores, or you can qualify with TSI and STAAR EOC.

TSI	STAAR EOC
TSI Reading - 351	English II - 4000
TSI Writing - Essay Score of 5, OR Essay Score of 4 & Multiple Choice of 340	Algebra I - 4000 AND successful completion of Algebra 2 high school course with grade of 70 or higher
TSI Math 350	

# UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY

## Admissions Criteria

1. **Be classified as a Junior or Senior in HS**
2. **Graduating under the Foundation with Endorsement or Distinguished Plan**
3. **Meet one of the following requirements:**
  - Ranked top 10% OR
  - Have a 90 GPA or higher OR
  - Composite score of ACT-22 or SAT-1030 (CR&M)
  - Students can only enroll in Core Curriculum course (some require pre-requisites)

# ASSOCIATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

South Texas College offers 121 degree and Certificate program options.

Find them at [www.psjaisd.us/STCdegreeplans](http://www.psjaisd.us/STCdegreeplans)

## PSJA Academies

### School of Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)

- Biology Academy ◇
- Computer Science Academy ◇
- Mathematics Academy ◇

### School of Business & Industry

- Business Administration Academy ◇
- Management Technology Academy \*
- Advanced Manufacturing Technology Academy \*
- Automotive Technology Academy \*
- Electrician Assistant Technology Academy \*
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration (HVAC) Technology Academy \*
- Welding Technology Academy \*
- Diesel Technology Academy \*
- Pathways Toward Independence (PTI) Program +

### School of Public & Health Services

- Criminal Justice Academy ◇
- Social Work Academy ◇
- Paralegal Academy ●
- Education Academy ◇
- Emergency Medical Technology (EMT) Academy \*
- Public Service Assistant Technology Academy \*

### School of Arts & Humanities

- Advertising/Public Relations Academy ◇
- Graphic Arts Academy ◇

## PSJA Academies Key:

◇ *Associate Degree of Arts/Science* – Designed for students who plan to continue to a 4-year university upon graduation.

● *Associate Degree of Applied Science* – Transferable 100% to South Texas College to complete Bachelor of Applied Technology.

\* *College Certificate Stackable Credential* – Students are able to apply their completed credits toward an Associate of Applied Science Degree at South Texas College.

+ *Programs Aligned to Academic Cluster*



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