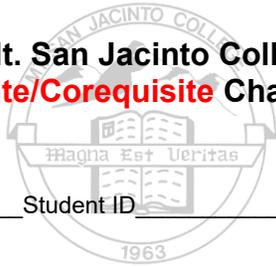


Mt. San Jacinto College
Prerequisite/Corequisite Challenge Form



Please PRINT or TYPE

Name _____ Student ID _____ Phone _____

Address _____ e-mail address _____

Course I wish to enter (course ID, and section): _____ (i.e., Eng 101, Section 1601)

Prerequisite/co-requisite or course requirement I wish to challenge (for example, Engl 98): _____

MEETING THE PREREQUISITE/CO-REQUISITE REQUIREMENT

Students wishing to enroll in courses that have a prerequisite or co-requisite can satisfy this requirement by:

1. Enrolling in the prerequisite course. This option allows you to build the skills and abilities necessary to be successful in the target course.
2. Applying for an equivalency. Do this ONLY if you have completed the prerequisite course at another institution. **You must provide Enrollment Services with a transcript.**
3. Challenge the prerequisite. Submit a challenge if you have NOT completed the prerequisite course but you believe you have the necessary skills and knowledge to be successful in the target course. This is the most common prerequisite challenge.

You may mail or submit this form to Enrollment Services. Challenges will be evaluated within five (5) working days **as stated in current schedule of classes**. You will be notified by the appropriate department of the challenge decision. **If approved, it is the student's responsibility to register for the target course.**

Student Statement (Not to exceed ONE page)

The student bears the initial burden of showing grounds exist for the challenge(s); please write a BRIEF and concise statement that supports the area(s) you are challenging. You are advised to avoid statements such as "I feel I have the skills to be successful without completing the prerequisite..." unless you can support your claims. Your statement must be signed.

Attach your statement and supporting documentation to this form. Challenges cannot be processed without appropriate documentation. Documentation will not be returned, you are responsible for making copies for your personal records.

Signature: (Student) _____ Date Submitted: _____

A challenge may be made based upon one or any combination of the following areas. Please check all areas that apply and provide an explanation for each challenge area under "Student Statement".

Check:



1. Challenging the prerequisite/corequisite based on my knowledge or ability to succeed in the course despite not meeting the prerequisite/co-requisite (student statement, supporting documentation and assessment scores are required).

The documentation has been evaluated and the Challenge is Approved Disapproved

Dean of Instruction or Designee :

_____ Date: _____

[If you have assessment scores from another college or have taken a course you believe is similar to the required prerequisite, please complete the "Request for Evaluation" form located in the Enrollment Services area]



- 2. Challenging the prerequisite/co-requisite on the grounds that it was established in violation of regulation or in violation of the District-approved process (student documentation required). I understand that I must take the petition directly to the Dean of Instruction, who shall review the petition and notify the student in writing within five (5) working days.

The documentation has been evaluated and the Challenge is Approved Disapproved

Dean of Instruction:

_____ Date: _____



- 3. Challenging the prerequisite/co-requisite on the grounds it has not been established in accordance with the college's process for establishing prerequisites and co-requisites. The petition must be taken directly to the Dean of Instruction, who shall determine within five (5) working days whether the prerequisite/co-requisite course was reasonably available, and if not, shall waive the prerequisite/co-requisite for the term.

The documentation has been evaluated and the Challenge is Approved Disapproved

Dean of Instruction:

_____ Date: _____



- 4. Prerequisite/co-requisite is discriminatory or applied in a discriminatory manner (student documentation required). I understand I should present documenting evidence to the Affirmative Action Office who will review the evidence and notify the student in writing within five (5) working days.

The documentation has been evaluated and the Challenge is Approved Disapproved

Affirmative Action Officer:

_____ Date: _____



- 5. Challenging the prerequisite/co-requisite based on undue delay in attaining goal (Section 55201 (f) (5)). A Student Educational Plan is required documentation.

The documentation has been evaluated and the Challenge is Approved Disapproved

Dean's of Counseling/Dean of Matriculation Signature:

_____ Date: _____



- 6. Challenging the prerequisite/co-requisite based on other grounds as established by the governing board (Section 55201 (f) (6)).

Dean of Matriculation Signature:

_____ Date: _____

Prerequisite/Corequisite Challenge

In accordance with Title 5, section 55201, students have the right to challenge a course prerequisite or corequisite. To challenge successfully the course prerequisite or corequisite, the initial burden falls upon the student to show that grounds exist for the challenge.

A student can demonstrate that grounds exist for a challenge based upon at least ONE of the following requirements:

1. The prerequisite or corequisite has not been established in accordance with the district's process for establishing prerequisites and corequisites;
 Yes No

2. The prerequisite or corequisite is in violation of Title 5 policies for prerequisites, corequisites and advisories.
 Yes No

3. The prerequisite or corequisite is either unlawfully discriminatory or is being applied in an unlawful manner;
 Yes No

4. The student has the knowledge or ability to succeed in the course or program despite not meeting the prerequisite or corequisite;
 Yes No

5. The student will be subject to undue delay in attaining the goal of his or her educational plan because the prerequisite or corequisite course has not been made reasonably available;
 Yes No