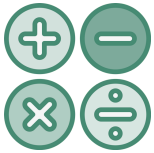


IMPACT OF THE NUMERACY ACT ON ALABAMA TRANSFERS



Every Alabama child needs foundational math skills to be successful in career and life. The 2022 Alabama Numeracy Act is the state's comprehensive plan to improve math instruction and support for all students and teachers.



What is THE ALABAMA NUMERACY ACT?

The Alabama Numeracy Act builds the capacity of elementary educators and ensures that they have the support and tools needed to be successful in the classroom and improve student achievement. It is a comprehensive statewide plan to address Alabama's math crisis.

- K-5 math coaches in every elementary school
- high-quality instructional materials & curricula that are aligned to our Alabama-teacher written & vetted standards
- training for teachers and principals
- intensive interventions for struggling students
- accountability to ensure schools are making progress.



The Immediate impact of THE NUMERACY ACT on transfer students in Alabama



QUESTION 1: Are you an Alabama Community College student who plans to major in elementary, early childhood, or special education and then transfer to an Alabama public four-year university?

QUESTION 2: Did you obtain an "official" transfer guide in one of these majors from the Alabama Transfers database? (If you are not sure, contact us here - <https://alabamatransfers.com/contact>)



- **If you answered YES to both questions**, you need to know about the recent changes that could impact the transfer of your course credit from an Alabama community college to a public four-year universities in the state.
- **If you answered NO to either of the questions**, you should not be impacted by the Alabama Numeracy Act (you do not need to read further).

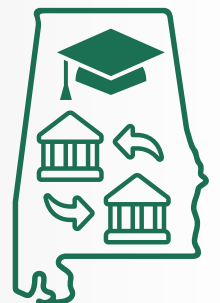
Recent Changes to Elementary/Early Childhood and Special Education Transfer Guides

Nine semester hours of required mathematics in Area V were removed and the note to the right has been added.



ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE TRANSFER STUDENTS (August 28-29, 2024):

The Alabama Numeracy Act (ACT#2022-249) has led to changes in mathematics requirements for Elementary/Early Childhood Education and Special Education, affecting the transfer guide coursework. The previous 9 semester hours (SH) of mathematics required in Area V have been removed and will be incorporated into junior/senior level coursework starting Fall 2025. Public universities statewide will update their program requirements and develop new courses over the coming year. Students planning to transfer should contact the college of education at their intended institution for detailed information on the revised math requirements.



Continued

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What will happen over the next 2-3 years?



At present, the Alabama Transfers team is uncertain about the statewide implications of these changes. The Alabama State Department of Education is collaborating with all public four-year Colleges of Education to establish new "Math for Teacher" courses to be integrated into the junior and senior years of K-5 teacher programs at universities. These courses are expected to cover mathematics content, pedagogy, and field experiences. The specific design and delivery of these courses are still under consideration. The universities aim to launch these new courses by Fall 2025.

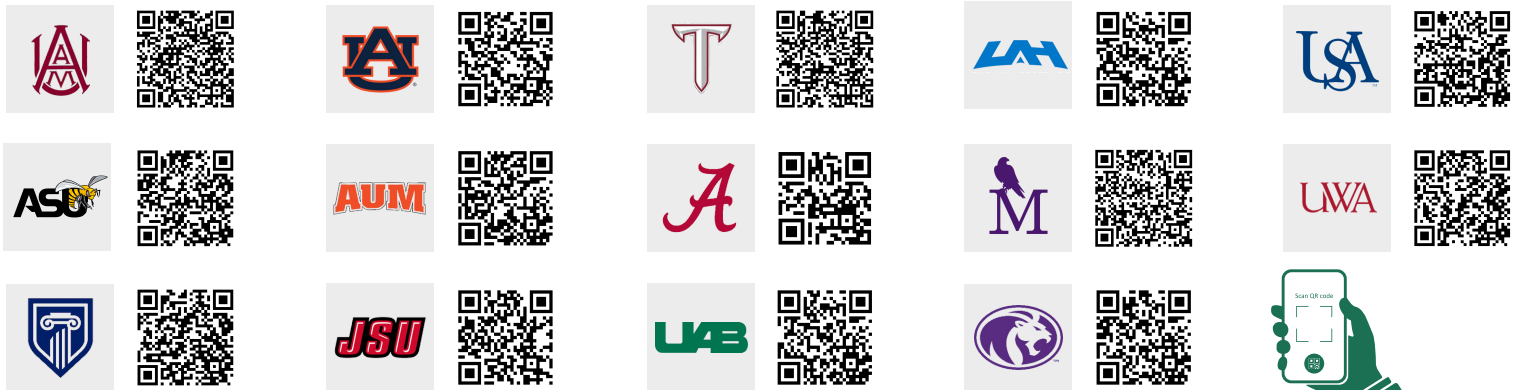
In the future, the nine semester hours of mathematics removed from Area V may potentially be substituted with other junior-level educational support courses. Further discussions and planning are scheduled to address this matter.

What if I am a current transfer student and I have an official transfer guide? What do I do now?

- **If you have an official transfer guide for Elementary, Early Childhood Education, or Special Education and are following it:** We recommend not taking the 9 semester hours of mathematics in AREA V if you haven't completed them already. Instead, please contact the College of Education at your transfer institution for advice on alternative courses you can complete at your community college before transferring.
- **If you are using an official transfer guide and have already completed some or all of the 9 semester hours of mathematics in AREA V:** You may still be eligible for credit transfer based on the current university catalog requirements. The four-year universities will assist you to minimize any credit loss during the transfer. Please contact the College of Education at your transfer destination for further guidance and information.

Website links for the Colleges of Education at 14 Alabama's Public Universities

Scan QR Codes below to access web pages for each college of education. Search for a contact phone number or email address.



STILL HAVE QUESTIONS???

We probably do not have all the answers, but we will try to help!

