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Developmental education, for many students, provides the open door to a college education. These students may need a review of English grammar and usage or basic mathematics before beginning a career and technical education or liberal arts program.

GBC takes developmental education seriously as a major part of the college mission. An increasing emphasis on educational quality, seen as necessary if Americans are to compete in an international economy, is prompting more emphasis on basic skills, mathematics, writing, critical thinking, and reading. Whether or not a student needs developmental coursework in English and mathematics is determined by his/her placement test scores.

Courses numbered 001-099 are developmental courses and will not satisfy degree or certificate requirements, nor will they count toward the residency requirement of 15 GBC credits for an associate degree or 30 upper division GBC credits for a baccalaureate degree, but they will prepare students for later college-level courses.