6.017 Criteria for Awarding the Baccalaureate Degree

(1) Except as approved by the Board of Governors, all students receiving a baccalaureate degree within the State University System must meet the following graduation requirements:

   (a) Completion of thirty-six (36) semester hours of general education courses in the

   subject areas of communication, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences, including:

   1. Six (6) semester hours of English coursework and six semester hours of additional coursework in which the student is required to demonstrate college-level writing skills through multiple assignments. Each institution shall designate the courses that fulfill the writing requirements of this section. Students awarded college credit in English based on their demonstration of writing skills through dual enrollment, advanced placement, or international baccalaureate instruction shall be considered to have satisfied this requirement to the extent of the college credit awarded.

   2. Six (6) semester hours of mathematics coursework at the level of college algebra or higher. Applied logic, statistics and other computation-based coursework that may not be offered by a mathematics department may be used to fulfill three (3) of the six (6) hours required by this section. Students awarded college credit based on their demonstration of mathematics skills at the level of college algebra or higher through dual enrollment, advanced placement, or international baccalaureate instruction shall be considered to have satisfied this requirement to the extent of the college credit awarded.

<center>TABLE 1</center>

Skill Area	Required Combination of courses
~~Reading, English Language, Essay~~	~~A combination of at least one (1) course with the ENC prefix and any other course that is designated as Gordon Rule (i.e., class that meets the (1)(a)1. requirement above) writing course, excluding courses with the SPC prefix.~~
~~Computation~~	Any combination of two (2)

Table 2

Skill Area	Required Score o

3. ~~A student who is unable to meet the requirements in subsections(s) 1. and/ or 2. may apply for and receive a waiver. The committee reviewing the request shall review the student's academic records and such other information as appropriate. If a waiver is approved, the student's transcript shall include a statement that the student did not meet the requirements of this subsection and that a college academic skills waiver was granted. The student must have achieved a 2.0 grade point average in the coursework and demonstrated the specific skills in the subject area(s) for which the waiver is sought.~~

   ~~If the student has completed instructional programs for English as a second language or English as a foreign language with a minimum grade point average of 2.0 in all college credit courses in the skill area~~