



Santa Ana College Courses with Highest Freshmen Enrollments, Fall 2008

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To tackle low reading skills of our student body, the Santa Ana College's Basic Skills Committee strategized to attach a 1-unit reading course with content-area courses highly enrolled by incoming freshmen. 3,368 incoming freshmen to SAC during Fall 2008 were tracked to determine which courses they were mostly likely to take in their first semester so that faculty-committee members could determine which courses were most appropriate for this strategy.

During their first semester at SAC, these Fall 2008 freshmen enrolled in 571 different courses, including labs and orientations. Highest enrollment courses were mostly orientation or lab classes such as Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS) N19 (37%), Counseling N98 (19%), English 062 (18%), Math N85 (13%), IDS N04 (7%) and Counseling N45 (6%). The top five content-area (shaded and bold) courses were: English 061, Counseling 116, Math 060, English N60, English 101.

The table below lists courses in which 4% or more freshmen were enrolled; other enrollments were in a wide range of courses (n=551) enrolled in by fewer than 4% of new freshmen.

Course Title	# freshmen enrolled	% freshmen enrolled
IDS N19 Computer Lab	1236	37%
Counseling N98 Career Services	639	19%
English 062 Writing Center	604	18%
Math N85 Review	422	13%
Counseling 107 Freshman Experience Counseling	308	9%
English 061 Introduction To Composition	296	9%
Counseling 116 Career/Life Planning	293	9%
Math 060 Elementary Algebra	274	8%
IDS N04 Basic Skills	246	7%
English N60 Basic Writing	221	7%
English 101 Freshman Composition	205	6%
Counseling N45 Orientation	194	6%
Math N48 Pre-Algebra	185	5%
Math 080 Intermediate Algebra	171	5%
F-TC 101 Fire Prot	154	5%
CJ 101 Introduction Criminal Justice	149	4%
F-TC 102 Behavior	147	4%
English N50 Written	134	4%
Psyc N19 Psychology Lab	131	4%
Psyc 100 Introduction to Psychology	123	4%

