

# ACADEMIC COMMUNITIES (META-MAJORS)

Per SBE Rule 6A-14.065 Meta-Major Academic Pathways: The Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) uses meta-majors to help students choose academic programs that align with their career goals. The eight meta-majors are groups of related academic programs that share common courses. At EFSC, these meta-majors are known as “Academic Communities”.

## Academic Communities:

1. Arts, humanities, communication, and design
2. Business
3. Education
4. Health sciences
5. Industry/manufacturing and construction
6. Public safety
7. Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
8. Social and behavioral sciences and human services

## How academic communities help students

- Helps students choose gateway courses that align with their academic and career goals.
- Helps students develop a plan to prepare for math and English gateway courses.
- Helps students get academic advising, which can be challenging at two-year institutions.

## Gateway Courses

Each academic community has defined “gateway” courses for English and mathematics as follows:

**English** – [ENC 1101](#) Composition 1 is the gateway English course for all meta-major academic pathways

**Math** – The gateway courses for each of the academic pathways is defined as follows:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Arts, Humanities, Communication and Design</b>		
MAC 1105	College Algebra (or)	3
MGF 1130	Mathematical Thinking (or)	
STA 2023	Statistics	
<b>Business</b>		
MAC 1105	College Algebra (or)	3
MGF 1130	Mathematical Thinking (or)	
STA 2023	Statistics	
<b>Education</b>		
MAC 1105	College Algebra (or)	3
MGF 1130	Mathematical Thinking (or)	
STA 2023	Statistics	
<b>Health Sciences</b>		
MAC 1105	College Algebra (or)	3
MGF 1130	Mathematical Thinking (or)	

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<b>Industry/Manufacturing and Construction</b>		
MAC 1105	College Algebra (or)	3
MGF 1130	Mathematical Thinking (or)	
STA 2023	Statistics	
<b>Public Safety</b>		
MAC 1105	College Algebra (or)	3
MGF 1130	Mathematical Thinking (or)	
STA 2023	Statistics	
<b>Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics</b>		
MAC 1105	College Algebra	3
<b>Social and Behavioral Science and Human Services</b>		
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