



Basic Skills Requirement Evaluation Worksheet

Applicant Name: _____

This form is designed for use by individuals and LEAs without a Commission-approved program to act as a guide for meeting the Basic Skills Requirement via coursework. Individuals may meet the requirement by providing official transcripts and this completed form as part of their application packet to the Commission. The transcripts must show passage of courses in reading, writing, and mathematics as outlined below. Courses must have been taken at a regionally-accredited college or university for credit, passed with a grade of B- or better, be degree applicable, and be at least 3 semester units (or equivalent quarter units). It is possible to identify two courses for a single area to meet the minimum unit requirement. Qualifying coursework does not include professional development or continuing education units or in-service training or workshops. Qualifying coursework includes the following:

- For reading proficiency: a course in critical thinking, literature, philosophy, reading, rhetoric, or textual analysis.
- For writing proficiency: a course in composition, English, rhetoric, written communication, or writing.
- For mathematics proficiency: a course in algebra, geometry, mathematics, quantitative reasoning, or statistics.

A course that does not fall within the indicated areas may still qualify with additional letter of explanation. A letter from the registrar or relevant department chair of the college or university where the course was completed must state that a course passed by the applicant covered reading, writing, or mathematics at the same level as one of the listed courses. Such a letter could also attest that a single course sufficiently indicates proficiency in reading and writing combined. The letter must be included with the application packet.

Online recommendations from a Commission-approved preparation program should not use this form but instead must include Form 41-BSR. Form 41-BSR is available on the Credential Information Guide (CIG). Form 41-BSR is not required if CBEST or CSET scores are being used to meet the requirement.

READING PROFICIENCY (Course(s) in Critical Thinking, Literature, Philosophy, Reading, Rhetoric, or Textual Analysis)	Grade	Qtr	Sem

WRITING PROFICIENCY (Course(s) In Composition, English, Rhetoric, Written Communication, or Writing)	Grade	Qtr	Sem

MATHEMATICS PROFICIENCY (Course(s) in Algebra, Geometry, Mathematics, Quantitative Reasoning, or Statistics)	Grade	Qtr	Sem