

NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE  
**Policy Number 6Hx17-3.05**

TITLE	<b>ACCELERATION MECHANISMS</b>
REFERENCE	SBR 6A-14.031
HISTORY	State Board Rule Amended June 2004 Local Language Revised March, 1989

**6A-14.031 Acceleration Mechanisms for Program Completion.**

(1) Each community college degree and certificate program shall provide students opportunity to complete at least twenty-five (25%) of the program requirements, exclusive of transfer credit, through:

(a) Satisfactory performance on standardized, institutional, or departmental examinations;

(b) Satisfactory performance in secondary school Advanced Placement Programs of the College Entrance Examination Board;

(c) Dual enrollment in a community college or university prior to graduation from high school or community college;

(d) Demonstration of competence achieved through experiential learning;  
or

(e) Any combination of the above.

(2) Community colleges shall award credit for courses for which competence has been demonstrated by satisfactory performance on an examination. Institutions shall not exempt students from courses without awarding credit if competence has been so demonstrated.

(3) Community colleges shall provide for early admission according to Rule 6A-1.095(2), FAC.

(4) Community colleges shall report each year the number of students involved in and the credit awarded through the acceleration mechanisms identified herein.

(5) Community colleges shall describe the acceleration options available and the criteria governing such options in their catalogs and related publications and advisement materials.

Specific Authority 1001.02(1), 1001.03, 1001.02(9)  
FS. Law Implemented 1007.22-1007.25FS. History -  
Formerly 6A-8.59, Repromulgated 12-19-74,  
Amended 4-8-75, 7-26-84, Formerly 6A-14.31.

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### **Local Language**

The acceleration mechanisms of Northwest Florida State College shall be published, annually, in the college catalog.