

# ACADEMIC INFORMATION

## COURSE NUMBER EXPLANATION

The Texas Common Course Numbering System (TCCNS) is a voluntary, co-operative effort among 135 Texas community colleges and universities to facilitate transfer of freshman and sophomore level general academic coursework. TCCNS provides a shared, uniform set of course designations for students and their advisors to use in determining both course equivalency and degree applicability of transfer credit on a statewide basis. When students transfer between two participating TCCNS institutions, a course taken at the sending institution transfers as the course carrying the same TCCNS designation at the receiving institution.

Each course is designated by a four-digit number. The first digit denotes the level of the course. Course numbers beginning with the number zero typically indicate a non-credit course, courses beginning with number one (1) are freshman-level courses, while those beginning with the number two (2) are normally considered sophomore-level courses. The second digit indicates the value of the course in semester hours in all courses except vocational nursing. The third and fourth digits are used to identify the sequence or designation within a department. The purpose of this system is to assist students who are transferring between participating institutions.