

CHALLENGE FOR CREDIT POLICY

Challenge credit is earned by demonstrating proficiency in course requirements. Students who wish to challenge a class should submit a written request to the appropriate department chair to determine if a challenge exam is allowed. Not every class is subject to challenge. The method of demonstrating proficiency, usually a comprehensive exam, is determined by the appropriate department.

The following guidelines apply to challenge exams:

- The student must be currently enrolled at TVCC.
- Challenge exams may not be repeated.
- Challenge credit is not granted if credit has been earned for a more advanced course.
- A maximum of 12 challenge credits may be earned in a specific subject area.
- A maximum of 24 credits of challenge work may be applied to a TVCC certificate.
- A maximum of 45 challenge credits may be applied to a TVCC degree.
- Challenge credit is normally assigned a "S" (Satisfactory) grade and will not affect the GPA. No academic record is kept for unsuccessful challenge exams.
- Challenge credit will not affect a student's financial aid award.
- Students must register with instructor permission and pay a \$15 fee before taking the challenge exam. In addition, a \$10 fee is charged for each credit awarded.