



COMING SOON: NEW MATH AND SCIENCE STANDARDS FOR ADMISSION TO UMASS, MA STATE UNIVERSITIES

The Massachusetts Board of Higher Education has adopted new admissions requirements in math and science to better align the state's MassCore and four-year public university admissions standards. The goal is to make sure students are ready for college-level work.

Please help students prepare for these changes in admissions standards!

To be eligible for admission to Massachusetts four-year public higher education institutions, including UMass, students will need:

- **Four years of high school math**, including in their senior year, beginning with the college freshman class entering **fall 2016**.
- **Three years of lab-based science**, including the natural/physical sciences or technology/engineering courses, beginning with the college freshman class entering **fall 2017**.

To view a full explanation of current admissions standards, please consult the Admissions Standards Guide available at www.mass.edu.

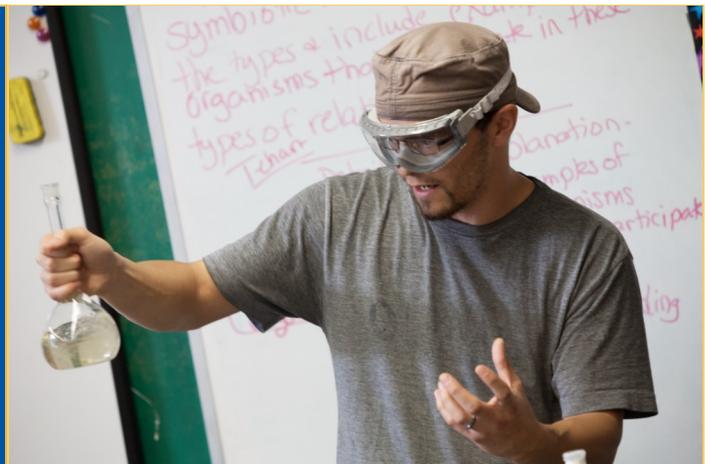


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Notes:

- **Effective immediately:** Students now can count college preparatory technology/engineering coursework as science.
- Technology/engineering courses must be taken for science credit and meet district guidelines for science courses.
- A course is equivalent to one full school year of study.