**Program Name:** Program for Adult College Transition (PACT)

**College Programs of Study:** <https://www.capecod.edu/degrees/>

**Transitions Program Website:** <https://www.capecod.edu/transition/>

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**Eligibility:** This program is designed to help High School Equivalency and English as a Second Language students, preferably those from DESE-supported Adult Basic Education programs. Prospective students must test (Accuplacer Reading test score of 237) into ENL108, Critical Reading and Thinking.

**Eligibility for Concurrent Enrollment:** Enrollment in Cape Cod Community College’s Transition to College Program is an option for students currently enrolled in adult education programs if the following criteria have been met:

HISET/GED students must be enrolled in Adult Secondary Level ESOL classes or recommended by their education and career advisor and have passed at least three of the tests (preferably Math and Reading).

**Program Description:** This is a free program for students from DESE funded ESOL and HISET programs primarily who want to attend Cape Cod Community College to pursue a certificate or degree program. It is not a program for learning English. Students are eligible for academic support and advising as well as up to five free courses toward a degree or certificate at Cape Cod Community College in West Barnstable.

**Program Benefits:**

* Academic and career guidance
* Access to all college services, facilities, and programs
* Small class sizes with cohort for the first semester
* Individual and group support throughout period of enrollment at the college
* Credit-bearing courses
* Free financial skills non-credit class option

**Program Design:**

1st Semester Fall and Spring: College 101, ENL108, ENL101 matriculation – 9 credits

Second Semester: Twp courses of choice, first two courses in sequence of chosen degree or certificate – 6 credits

All students receive a subscription to ALEKS PPL, a self-directed Math Learning System. During orientation, they complete an assessment and are shown how to utilize the program for one half hour, three days a week to improve their math score. This allows them to place into credit-bearing math courses required for their degree program in subsequent semesters.

Course Offerings:

The College Experience COLL101

This theme-based seminar is designed to help students develop the skills and confidence necessary to succeed in college, the world of work, and life. In this course, students will examine theories and practices associated with academic success. Areas of study include education and career planning, study skills, effective communication, critical and creative thinking, information literacy, personal management, development of community and awareness of diversity, technology, and leadership. Modeled on the "workshop format" in which students learn by doing, students will be actively engaged in group activities and team projects.

Critical Reading and Thinking ENL108

This course guides students to enhance their comprehension of written, spoken, and visual information by improving their critical thinking abilities. Through practicing habits of mind to strengthen analytical and reasoning skills, students learn to form well-supported arguments, draw thoughtful conclusions, make responsible decisions, and transfer acquired skills to their academic, professional, and personal life

English Composition I ENL101

ENL101 is an introductory college composition course required of all AA and AS-degree students and prerequisite to all other college-level English courses. It is designed to help students develop and express ideas clearly and effectively use language that meets the expectation of academic audiences through frequent writing and the study of rhetorical patterns of development. Students learn to write essays using a recognized scholarly documentation style.