

## *“The College Dictionary”*

**Advanced course** — 3000 or 4000 level course

**Blue & Gold Connection**—the web-based student system used for registration at TAMUK; also used for viewing holds, unofficial transcripts, contact information, etc.

**Corequisite**— a course that must be taken before or at the same time as another course; for example , BIOL 1106 (lab) is a corequisite of BIOL 1306 (lecture), BIOL 1106 should be taken at the same time as BIOL 1306.

**Dead Day**— the day before final exams are scheduled to begin; no classes will be held on this day.

**Elective-** any course that you are interested in taking that does not fulfill any other need in your degree.

**Enforced Withdrawal**— Students who have been placed on scholastic probation and who fail to achieve the minimum cumulative GPA during the next long semester, will be placed on enforced withdrawal

**FAFSA**— Free Application for Federal Student Aid—this form must be filled out before a student can be awarded financial aid (loans, grants, work-study).

**Full-time student**— a student who is enrolled in 12 or more hours in a semester

**Holds**— students may have registration holds or transcript holds. Students with a registration hold on their record will not be permitted to register for classes. Students with a transcript hold will encounter delays when trying to obtain copies of their transcript. Holds may be due to failure to pay a loan or ticket, failure to see an advisor, or a variety of other reasons. All students in will have a registration hold each semester until they see an academic advisor. Please see your advisor if you need additional information.

**ID or K#** — nine digit number used to identify students; used instead of social security number to increase student security.

**LAB**— laboratory

**LEC**— lecture

**Link error**— an error message that is received if a student fails to register for both parts

of a course that are “linked” together; for example ANSC 1419 lecture and lab.

**Prerequisite** — course that must be taken before or at the same time as another course; for example, ENGL 1301 is a prerequisite for ENGL 1302, so ENGL 1301 must be taken and passed before a student can take ENGL 1302.

**Q-drop**— officially dropping a course at or before mid-semester; student will receive a grade of Q which will not factor into GPA; a student may also drop a course after mid-semester, but the instructor has the option to give a Q or F.

**Recitation**— recitation classes are for courses with a large class size or complicated material (like math or science). Usually these classes will have 1 professor and several student teachers. The professor will teach the large class (also called the Lecture) and cover new material. The student teachers will teach the recitation classes and go over the week's material in more detail. Because there is often a lot of material to cover in the large class, there isn't a lot of time to go over specifics or answer questions. The recitation class gives you the opportunity to address any questions or issues in a smaller classroom environment. Also, quizzes and homework are frequently given &/or collected during the recitation class.

**Scholastic Probation**— Student will be placed on scholastic probation any time their overall grade point average at A&M—Kingsville falls below 2.0. Such students are required to participate to the fullest in academic support programs and to seek academic advising. Students who have been placed on scholastic probation will be removed from such probation at the conclusion of the semester or summer term at this university when they have achieved at least a 2.0 grade point average.

**Substitution**— a course that may be taken in place of a course in the student's degree plan; should only be used in special circumstances and requires the permission of the students' faculty advisor, department chair, and dean prior to enrolling in the course.

**TBA** — To Be Announced

**TSI**— Texas Success initiative; requires students to be assessed in reading, writing, and mathematical skills before enrolling in a Texas public college or university; students are required to take the ASSET, the ACCUPLACER, the COMPASS, or the THEA (formerly known as the TASP test), OR be exempt due to qualifying scores on the ACT, SAT, or the TAAS/TAKS.