

Council considers deficiency make-up plan

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Entering freshmen who are deficient in required high school coursework will have a standard means for making up those deficiencies if the University Council passes certain legislation at its Monday meeting.

The legislation, based on recommendations from the UT Office of Admissions, provides a formula for students who meet the normal class ranking and test score requirements, but have not completed the high school coursework required for admission, to make up for those deficiencies by taking University courses.

The University Council will meet at 10 a.m. Monday in Main Building 212.

Although students seeking to be admitted to the University before summer session 1984 are not required to have taken specific high school courses, stu-

dents planning to enter at a later date will have to meet such requirements, said Augustine Garza, the University's associate director of admissions.

The UT General Information Bulletin states that for Texas residents admission is open to all prospective freshmen who graduate in the top 25 percent of their high school class, or score 1,200 or more on the SAT or 27 or more on the ACT.

As a result, students may meet these minimum admission requirements without having completed the required high school work, Garza said.

Except for cases when students are deficient in their foreign language or mathematics requirements, the GIB does not specify under what restrictions deficient students may be admitted, Garza said.

The legislation provides that, in general, one semester of college credit will be required to remove a deficiency of one year or less of high school credit.

"Credit for these courses will not be counted toward the student's degree," the legislation states.

Also, the council will consider a motion by James Sledd, professor of English, to abandon a proposal for new English course requirements.

"The new English requirements are those proposed by the Department of English, with only inessential modifications," Sledd's report to the council said. "From start to finish, the discussion which led to the department's proposal was primarily logistic, not educational; yet the proposal was offered to the council as primarily educational."

The new requirements will require students to take six semester hours beyond the initial freshman requirement of English 306, including English 316K and English 346K, a writing/literature course.