Resources for Improving Academic Skills

Source: Department Academic Enrichment’s Student Success Center
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Directions to Use the Online Resources/Databases

Go to the library’s homepage - [http://library.ucmo.edu](http://library.ucmo.edu)
  - In a gray menu line near the top of the page – Select: “Online Resources/Databases”
  - Select Databases A to Z
  - Click on the letter L and scroll down to find the Learning Express Library.

Required: create a login and password
For example, use your name for both username and password.

Using the Online Resources / Databases
- Under the heading LEARNING CENTERS in the left-hand column
- Select College Preparation or GED Preparation or College Preparation
  - Tutorials and Practice Tests
  - Math and Reasoning Skills Improvement
  - Reading Comprehension Skills Improvement
  - Writing and Grammar Skills Improvement

For the College BASE for Teacher Education (CBTE) subject content in Math, Science, Social Studies, also review the GED Preparation in the appropriate subject area that is available in the Student Success Center.

- Read the skills and sub-skills that you will be asked to perform on the CBTE – available in the “Students’ Guide to the College BASE”
- Create a timeline for authors and literary works - English
- Create a timeline for events and important individuals – Social Studies
- Using a world map, identify locations of authors, literary works, events and important individuals. **NOTE**: the “Students’ Guide to the College BASE” provides some but not all of the authors, literary works, events and important individuals.

For the General Education Assessment (GEA): (Source of Measures of Proficiency: Educational Testing Services). These are the skills that you will be asked to perform on the GEA. These are also the skills in which you will learn your proficiency level. The Measures of Proficiency can be located on MyCENTRAL, Student Services tab, Testing Services section. Using the Online Databases listed above, improve your skills by taking the tutorials (courses) and the practice tests.

After you have completed the tutorials and practice tests, consider seeking assistance from the Student Success Center if you believe you need further assistance.