

## **BASIC ACADEMIC SKILLS CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY**

This certificate will help prepare students to pass High School Equivalency standardized tests (GED and HiSET), enroll in classes at Mendocino College, and enter the workforce.

<b>Required Courses:</b>		<b>Hours</b>
BSK 501	Academic Skills/Pre-High School Equivalency	85
BSK 502	High School Equivalency Exam Preparation	85
<b>Total hours required for Certificate</b>		<b>170</b>

### *Program Level Student Learning Outcomes:*

1. Solve multi-step numerical and word math problems from basic operations through beginning concepts in geometry and algebra.
2. Identify and summarize the main ideas and important details in short (1-2 page) reading selections, including fiction, essays, newspaper articles, material from textbooks, and informational websites.
3. Explain the basic concepts in the area of biology, chemistry, physics, space science, US history, geography, basic economic systems, and civics.
4. Demonstrate critical thinking and problem-solving skills.
5. Prepare for and apply appropriate test-taking strategies to standardized tests such as the GED, HiSET, English and Math Placement Tests and occupational skills tests.