313.1 POLICY STATEMENT
It is the policy of the Board of Trustees that NWIC adheres to an open admission and placement philosophy that guides the enrollment of students in courses and programs through an evaluation of prerequisite knowledge, skills, and abilities to ensure student success.

313.2 PURPOSE
This policy is to establish principles and regulations for admission of students to Northwest Indian College.

313.3 SCOPE
Students who are not prepared to begin college-level courses are provided with a wide variety of developmental course work designed to enable them to prepare for more advanced study and to pursue programs suited to their interests and aptitude.

All new students pursuing a program of study at NWIC are required to complete the placement test. The results of the placement test help students and their advisors in the selection of courses appropriate to the student’s academic ability. Testing accommodations will be made for individuals with disabilities.

313.4 BACKGROUND
NWIC currently follows the ‘Open Admission’ philosophy which is unselective and non-competitive. The Open Admission policy was adopted to increase access to higher education by reducing academic and financial barriers Increasing accessibility to those who desire a college education is part of the strategic plan. The policy allows students with a wide range of potential to attend college, including students who place into developmental education courses and qualify for Ability to Benefit at Northwest Indian College.

313.5 RESPONSIBILITY
The NWIC Admissions Office and Testing Center share responsibility for adherence to this policy.

313.6 RELATED INFORMATION
Admissions and Placement Procedure-313 (Found in the NWIC Catalog)

313.7 REVIEW DATE
This policy is to be reviewed every three years.
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