



ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE
Basic Skills Committee (BSC)

BSC Mission Statement:

To increase student retention and success, this committee provides holistic structure and support to:

- 1) students
- 2) instructors
- 3) support services, and
- 4) the community

This support is based on data, theory, planning, dialogue, and collaboration, resulting in effective practices.

AVC Basic Skills Direction/Focus:

- Reduce number of students who need Basic Skills
- Create conditions to help students be successful
- Compress the time of Basic Skills

From Basic Skills Initiative Guidebook

Definition of Basic Skills: *Basic skills are those foundation skills in reading, writing, mathematics, and English as a Second Language, as well as learning skills and study skills, which are necessary for students to succeed in college-level work.*

Definition of effective practices: *“Effective practices” refer to organizational, administrative, instructional, or support activities engaged in by highly successful programs, as validated by research and literature sources relating to developmental education.*