Mandatory Placement 2023-2024



Students may be placed off test scores and/or GPA

Placement Based on GPA

Students graduating from high school in the past 10 years

(All students are encouraged to take proctored placement tests for best possible placement)

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Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	
High school GPA 1.999 or less	High school GPA 2.0 – 2.799	High school GPA 2.8+	
Or	Or	Or	
HiSET score 8-12	HiSET score 12-14	HiSET score 15 or better	
MAT-054 Math Strategies	General Education College Math	General Education College Math	
ENG-025 Basic Writing	PLUS Co-Requisite	MAT-102, MAT-111, MAT-140, or	
RDG-048 Basic Reading	MAT-088 and MAT-111	MAT- 157	
WBL-100 Exploring Careers	or	and	
ESL-265 (optional for non-native	MAT-075 and MAT-157	College-Level English ENG-105	
English speakers)	General Education College-Level		
	English PLUS Co-Requisite		
	ENG-067 and ENG-105		
	Success Seminar SDV-112		
	WBL-100 Exploring Careers		
	ESL-265 (optional for non-native		
	English speakers)		

- International students and students who graduated from high school more than 10 years ago will need to take placement tests (strongly recommend proctored).
- Some programs may have different placement score requirements. Please see the college catalog for details.
- STEM courses will require a **proctored** ALEKS score:
 - o MAT-120, MAT-127, MAT-130: Score of 46-75
 - MAT-150, MAT-180, MAT-210: Score of 76-100
- Business Courses:
 - MAT-140 2.8 GPA or 30+ proctored ALEKS
 - MAT-165 Business Calc 46+ proctored ALEKS
- All students have the right to take the ACCUPLACER and/or the proctored ALEKS test.
- Any person who holds an Associates of Arts, Science or Professional Studies, Bachelor's, Master's, or Doctorate degree (from a regionally accredited institution) should be exempt.

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Placement Based on Test Scores

Reading Placement Scores				
Placement Test	RDG-048* Basic Reading	SDV-112 Success Seminar	No Course Required	
ACCUPLACER (Next Gen. – Reading)	< 225	226-249	≥ 250	
ACCUPLACER (Classic – Reading Comprehension)	< 43	44-65	≥ 66	
ACT (Reading)	0-13	14-17	≥ 18	
SAT (Reading) March '16-Present (Evidence- Based Reading & Writing) March '16-Present (Reading)	< 380 <19	390-470 19-23	≥ 480 ≥ 24	

Writing Placement Scores			
Placement Test	ENG-025* Basic Writing	ENG-067* Composition I Laboratory <u>and</u> ENG-105 Composition I	ENG-105 Composition I
ACCUPLACER (WritePlacer)	0-2	3-4	≥5
ACCUPLACER (Next Gen. – Writing)	< 225	226-249	≥ 250
ACCUPLACER (Classic – Sentence Skills)	27-44	45-73	74-120
ACT (English)	0-13	14-17	18-36
SAT (Writing) Score March '16-Present Essay OR Writing + Language	<19	20-23	≥ 24

Math Placement		General Education College Math
Test	MAT-054	PLUS Co-Requisite
(for those who graduated	Math Strategies	MAT-088 and MAT-111
more than 10 years ago)		or
		MAT-075 and MAT-157
ALEKS	0-19	20-29

College-Level Math Placement Scores					
Placement Test	MAT-102 Intermediate Algebra MAT-111 Math for Liberal Arts	MAT-117 Math for Elem. Teachers MAT-140 Finite Math MAT-157 Statistics	MAT-120 College Algebra MAT-127 College Algebra & Trig	MAT-130 Trigonometry MAT-165 Business Calculus	MAT-180 Engineering Problems MAT-210 Calculus I
ALEKS	30-45		46-75		76-100
ACT/SAT	ACT 22 or above SAT 530 or above (MAT-111 or MAT-157 only)				

• Reading and writing placement scores are valid for 3 years from the start of the course student is placed in.

Math scores are good for 18 months from the start of the course student is placed in.

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