



# PLACEMENT TESTING

Placement testing evaluates the level of proficiency in core subjects to ensure accurate course placement to start your academic journey! The test subjects are:

- 1 ENGLISH (WRITING)
- 2 READING
- 3 MATHEMATICS



## PREP RESOURCES

**English and Reading** placement exams provides practice questions and practice essays that are available via our website!



## EXAM MODALITIES

- IN-PERSON
- VIRTUAL
- REMOTE TESTING AT APPROVED IN-STATE TESTING SITE



## TESTING PLATFORMS

**Accuplacer**  
English- Writeplacer  
Reading- Next Generation Reading  
**ALEKS Placement, Preparation and Learning**  
Mathematics- Math PPL



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# Placement Testing Grid

## ENGLISH (WRITING)

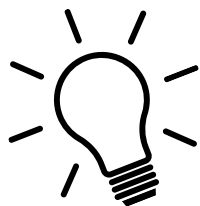


## Reading

ACT (ENGLISH)	SAT (EBRW)	Writeplacer	COURSE PLACEMENT
12 OR LESS		2 or Less	ENGL 990D
13 - 18	470 or LESS	3-4	ENGL 1000
19 - 26	480 - 660	5 or more	ENGL 1010
27 OR MORE	670 - 800		HONORS ENGLISH

ACT Reading OR ACT Composite	SAT Reading EBRW+M	Next Generation Reading	COURSE PLACEMENT
18 OR LESS	Composite 970 or LESS	249 OR LESS	RDNG 0992
19 OR MORE	Composite 980 or MORE	250 OR MORE	EXEMPT

## Mathematics



ACT MATH SCORE	SAT MATH SCORE	ALEKS PPL (Placement, Preparation and Learning)	COURSE PLACEMENT
19 OR LESS	510 OR LESS	0-45	MATH 0990D
20 - 23	520 - 560	46-67	MATH 1010, 1015, 1020, 1030I
		68-75	Math 1030
24 OR MORE	570 OR MORE	76-100 (Departmental Review Required)	Math 1070



# Testing Modalities per Subject

Student Type	English Placement	Reading Placement	Math Placement
<b>Out of State Students</b>	In-State approved Accuplacer testing site	In-State approved Accuplacer testing site	Virtually w/ XULA Testing Center
<b>Local Students</b>	XULA Testing Center	XULA Testing Center	XULA Testing Center
<b>International Students</b>	In-State approved Accuplacer testing site OR Virtually with XULA Testing Center	In-State approved Accuplacer testing site OR Virtually with XULA Testing Center	In-State approved Accuplacer testing site OR Virtually with XULA Testing Center

## Please review the steps below to earn course placement

### Out of State Students (Over 60 miles from New Orleans)

- Complete payment of required admissions deposit
- Submit Standardized Test Scores to the admissions office (SAT, ACT, Accuplacer, ALEKS PPL)
- Submit college credit earnings to the admissions office (IB, AP, CLEP or Dual enrollment)
- Complete placement request form
- Check email for virtual Math (to *those that apply*) scheduled appointment & Earn remote voucher for Accuplacer testing (out of state only)
- Reach out to Testing Site requested testing to be completed (out of state only)
- Complete testing on specified scheduled dates
- Earn Course placement for a schedule for the Academic Year

**To view all approved testing sites in your area to complete Accuplacer testing, please visit our website under the tab “Testing at a Remote Site”.**

### Local Students (New Orleans and less than 60 miles out)

- Complete payment of required admissions deposit
- Submit Standardized Test Scores (SAT, ACT, Accuplacer, ALEKS PPL)
- Submit college credit earnings (IB, AP, CLEP or Dual enrollment)
- Complete placement request form
- Check email for scheduled in-person appointment (*subjects that apply*)
- Complete testing on specified scheduled dates
- Earn Course placement for a schedule for the Academic Year

**Upon completing placement testing, scores are reported to the admissions office daily. You will either be sent to the Student Academic Success Office (SASO) or your program department.**

# FAQS

## What is Placement Testing?

Placement testing evaluates your current skill set for accurate course placement.

## How to complete placement testing?

Complete the placement testing request form listed on our website.

## Are the exams timed?

English and Reading are untimed. Math has a 3 hour time limit.

## Can I use a calculator?

No, a calculator will be provided on screen for certain questions.

## As a student with accommodations, what process needs to be completed?

You are required to submit an official document stating the accommodations requested to the testing center prior to your scheduled exam.

## What does it mean to be test-optional?

Test Optional states you will not submit any standardized test scores and will complete three placement exams for course placement.

## What is the requirement in order to complete placement testing to earn a course schedule?

Students must complete the required admissions deposit.

## What courses are considered Developmental at XULA?

Reading: [RDNG 0992 Reading and Study Skills](#)

Math: [Math 0990 Preparation for College Mathematics](#)

## What happens if I chose test-optional and decide not to complete placement testing?

You will be automatically placed into developmental courses which puts restraints on the number of credit hours to complete in your 1st semester, prolonging your degree matriculation, and unable to indicate a major.

## What is the process for Math placement in the ALEKS PPL Platform?

ALEKS PPL stands for Placement, Preparation and Learning. Once completed the initial assessment, an individualized study guide will be generated based on your responses to the initial assessment. This will assist in performing better on your last assessment for course placement.

## Can I submit my ACT/SAT scores instead of completing placement testing?

Yes. To understand score associations for ACT/SAT, please visit our website. Please note that you will be placed into the courses aligned with course placement.

## Are testing scores required for admissions?

No, scores are used for course placement and registration.

## When will scores be updated in the system?

Scores will be available via your student account within 48 hours.

## Is there a cost for placement testing?

No, there is no associated cost completing the first exam.

## As an out of state student, will the remote testing site require a proctoring fee?

Yes, the chosen remote testing site fee varies by site. You will be notified the cost once earned the generated voucher after completing the request form.

## Can I retest if I do not score the baseline?

Yes, students have one retest opportunity. The retest fee is \$35.00. *(Please do not pay \$35.00 per each exam, it covers all exams)*

## As an out of state student, completing my English and Reading exams at a remote testing site, will I have to send my scores to Xavier?

No, your scores are automatically retrieved based on the voucher received from the testing center.

## Is there any study materials for preparation via Accuplacer?

Yes, you can access practice questions via our website.

For more information regarding placement testing, please visit our website or contact us via email at [placementtesting@xula.edu](mailto:placementtesting@xula.edu).

