Online Placement Testing
at Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C®)
tri-c.edu/placement

English and math placement are required for new students prior to registration. Placement determines the courses for which a student may register.

If you submit qualifying ACT or SAT scores that are less than two years old, you do not need to complete a placement test. Log in to your act.org (ACT) or collegeboard.org (SAT) account to send your test scores or submit unofficial test scores to admissions@tri-c.edu.

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**English Placement**  Visit tri-c.edu/englishplacement for more information.

**You do not need to take the English placement test if you:**
- Have taken the English placement test at Tri-C within the last two years.
- Have a satisfactory high school Grade Point Average (GPA) within the last two years.
- Have qualifying ACT or SAT test scores.
- Have earned an associate degree, bachelor’s degree or higher.
- Earned a C or better in college-level English from an accredited institution of higher learning.
- Successfully completed developmental English at another Ohio community college or university within the last two years (C or better).

When you submit documentation of one of the above (high school/college transcripts; ACT/SAT scores), you will receive an email notification once the documentation is received.

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**If you do not meet one of these criteria, you must take the English placement essay.**

Please complete the following steps:

- **English Test Prep**
  Click here to complete your English Placement Prep.
- **English Placement Test Appointment Form**
  Schedule your online appointment by completing this form. Choose an appointment date/time. Your essay assignment will be sent to you via email at the date/time you choose. Click Submit when finished.

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**English as a Second Language (ESL) Placement**  Visit tri-c.edu/eslplacement for more information.

New students who learned to speak or write English as a second language must complete the ESL placement to determine appropriate course placement. ESL placement must be completed before taking the English and math placement tests.

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If you do not have qualifying ACT or SAT scores from the past two years, you must take the ALEKS math placement test. **ALEKS cannot be taken on a cellphone.**

Please complete the following steps:

- **Initial Assessment**
  Access ALEKS at [www.tri-c.edu/mathplacement](http://www.tri-c.edu/mathplacement). Follow the instructions for logging on. Students will need their S# and password for *my Tri-C space*. You may use scratch paper and pencil only. An on-screen calculator is provided for select questions. This is the only calculator you may use. **Note:** It is important not to use outside resources, as this test places you into a math course that meets your academic needs. An honest assessment of your skills is critical.

- **Improve Your Skills**
  ALEKS creates a personalized learning plan based on the results of your initial assessment. The Prep and Learn module is a self-paced learning environment in which you can practice and improve your skills before your next assessment.

- **Improve Your Placement**
  By working in the Prep and Learn module and retesting, you can sharpen your math skills and potentially place into a higher math course. You can complete up to five assessments in ALEKS. Practice time is required in the Prep and Learn module between each assessment.

- **Take Advantage of Math Support**
  A math coach will contact you to review your initial assessment score and connect you with math support.

*If you do not have access to a computer to take the ALEKS math placement test, contact your campus Testing Center for assistance.*

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**Testing Accommodations**

Students who may require testing accommodations related to a disability should make an appointment with [Student Accessibility Services](http://tri-c.edu/sas) before starting the placement tests.

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**Questions? Contact your campus Testing Center:**

- **Brunswick University Center**
  brunswickassessmentcenter@tri-c.edu

- **Eastern Campus**
  eastassessment@tri-c.edu

- **Metropolitan Campus**
  metroassessment@tri-c.edu

- **Western Campus**
  westassessment@tri-c.edu

- **Westshore Campus**
  westshoreassessment@tri-c.edu

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