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PLACEMENT INFORMATION

Welcome to the Illinois Tech!
If you are here, you received an email from Illinois Tech informing you of the need to complete one or more of the following placement exams:

Writing Placement Essay: All new first-year and transfer students who do not yet have credit for COM 101 are required to demonstrate writing proficiency in one of three ways. Students may either pass the writing proficiency exam prior to enrollment based on satisfactory SAT or ACT writing sub-scores, or by submitting a satisfactory essay when requested, or by passing COM 101 during their first year of attendance.

Math Placement Assessment: All new first-year and transfer students who do not yet have credit for Calculus I (MATH 151) are required to take the mathematics placement test online. Subsequent Advanced Placement credit or transfer credit for MATH 151 will override the mathematics placement result.

Chemistry Placement Assessment for Chemical Engineering: Students in chemical engineering who have neither Advanced Placement credit nor transfer credit for CHEM 124 have the option to take the CHEM 124 proficiency exam to waive the class, but no credit will be awarded.
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Step 1: TOPICS

About the Essay

Important: Write only one essay about one of the following topics:

- Is there an influential person in your life? If so, describe this person and give two or three reasons for his or her importance to you—that is, explain two or three ways in which this person has had an impact on you.

- Have you had a significant personal experience? If so, describe this experience and give two or three reasons for its significance in your life—that is, explain two or three ways in which this experience has had an impact on you.

- What do you regard as the most important modern invention? Describe this invention and give two or three reasons why it is important.

Your essay must be between 475 (minimum) and 525 (maximum) words in length.

If you do not have access to a Microsoft product, please use a compatible text file in electronic format.

Whichever option you choose, your essay will be evaluated by CAC staff, and you will either pass and receive credit for satisfying the Basic Writing Proficiency requirement, or you will be placed into COM 101 (“Writing in the University”), which you would need to take during your first year of coursework at IIT. You’ll be informed about the results of the placement exam by the Admissions Office.

Placement Essay

You can submit your file (.doc or .docx or .pdf or .txt) here, or you can click “Step 2: SUBMISSION” when you are ready.
Math Assessment

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Math Placement Assessment main page

Math Requirements

Welcome to Illinois Tech's Math Placement.

What is Math Placement Assessment?
It is not an exam and you do not receive any college credit. This is for mathematics course placement purpose only.

Do I need to take the Math Placement Assessment?
Yes.

In what circumstances, do I not need to take Math Placement Assessment?
If you think you should not be required to take the exam because of transfer credits or Advance Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), or GCE A-Levels scores, contact Undergraduate Academic Affairs (UGAA) at email ugaa@iit.edu.

ITM STUDENTS: Students in ITM are encouraged to take the math placement, but are not required.
STEP 1: ASSESSMENTS

Information
Illinois Tech uses Maple T.A. to deliver our math placement. When you click the links, you will go to the Maple site within Blackboard for each assessment.

TIPS
- Make sure your internet connection is reliable before you start each placement assessment.
- You can take the Math Placement Practice Exam as many times as possible
- The Math Placement Assessment consists of three parts. Each part may only be taken once. **DO NOT PAUSE OR TAKE A BREAK** once assessment begins.
- We recommend using Google Chrome or Firefox browser with third party cookies enabled.

Your math placement will be based on the total of the three assessments.

After you have completed all three (3) parts of the math placement, make sure to take practice assessment more than once before taking the three graded assessments:
- Section 1: 18 questions with 25 minutes time limit
- Section 2: 20 questions with 60 minutes time limit
- Section 3: 15 questions with 25 minutes time limit

Once completed you will need to navigate to the left side navigation and click on "STEP 2: Validate" to confirm that you are done.

Placement levels:
In order to validate and submit your scores, you will need to verify that you have completed all three parts of the math placement. You will not see the confirmation below until you have completed all three sections of the math placement assessment. Once validated, your records will be updated within 24 hours, and you can view your placement in UG Degree Works (my.iit.edu >> Academic Tab >> UG Degree Works).
How to View Results

Placement results are displayed in Undergraduate Degree Works. Math placement results are posted after 24 hours when all three sections are completed.
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