Placement Process

Academic Affairs
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Only relevant organizations for placement will be listed on your blackboard.
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 152 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.
Only applicable to Chemical Engineering Majors.

Chemistry Assessment

Alignments

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.

Chemical engineering placement is not delivered via Blackboard.

If you are interested in this assessment, please contact Undergraduate Academic Affairs (UAA) or uuaa@illinois.edu or call 312.567.3300.

This test is optional. If you pass the test, you can adjust your schedule and register for CHEM125; alternatively, you can remain in CHEM124.

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Writing Assessment

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Writing Essay main page
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.
Writing Essay submission page
Math Assessment

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Math Placement Assessment main page

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MATHEMATICS PLACEMENT

Illinois Tech uses the ALEKS PPL Mathematics Placement Exam to assess a student’s prerequisite knowledge for course placement. Backed by decades of research, ALEKS Placement, Preparation and Learning (ALEKS PPL) is the premier adaptive learning and assessment platform used by millions of students around the world. ALEKS PPL uses adaptive, open-response questioning to rapidly and accurately assess each student on a wide range of course material in 30 questions or less. Students are correctly placed and given the opportunity to improve their placement with targeted learning with up to 12 months of access to the Prep and Learning Module.

All new undergraduate students who do not already have credit for Calculus I (or a higher level math course) are required to take the ALEKS PPL Math Placement Exam. If you think you should not be required to take the exam because of transfer credits or Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), or GCE A-levels scores, email Undergraduate Affairs at regaff@iit.edu.
“ALEKS PPL Assessment” link will redirect to ALEKS PPL class.
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• Students should do an initial assessment, then up to three more practice exams, before taking the proctored exam that will determine their course placement. Between exams, students must engage in a minimum of 5 hours in the learning module. By default the fifth attempt is proctored, but students who are ready to take the proctored exam earlier should contact ProctorU. Between exams, students must engage in a minimum of 5 hours in the learning module.
  • Be Honest.
  • Complete each exam on your own.
  • Do not use books, other materials, the Internet, or consult with anyone during the exam.
  • A dishonest score will misrepresent your mathematical background and significantly decrease your chances of success.

• Please note that the average completion time is 90 minutes, though your time may be longer or shorter, so plan accordingly. The length of the exam is approximately 30 questions. Paper and pencil will be helpful. A calculator will be provided by ALEKS PPL when needed, thus you should not use your own. ALEKS PPL is a fully automated adaptive system that covers a broad spectrum of pre-calculus material.
How to View Results

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

## Illinois Institute of Technology

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