

OWENS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PROCEDURES

Assessment program for entering students

Board Policy No.: 3358:11-2-06

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1. All entering students must participate in the college assessment program (ACCUPLACER). Students enrolling in courses that require mathematics or language proficiency must demonstrate academic readiness.
 - a. ACCUPLACER is a skills assessment in reading, language usage, and mathematics. The assessment scores are used to advise and register students in classes suited to their academic achievement and skill level in an effort to help ensure their academic success. Should the ACCUPLACER results indicate that a student needs developmental courses in reading, writing, or mathematics, multiple assessment measures may be considered for course placement.
 - b. A degree-or-certificate-seeking student who is admitted to the College is subject to the following placement procedures:
 - c. A student who places into a developmental course must take the developmental course. Any student who places into a developmental course and who receives a test score only one or two points below the cut score may appeal the decision with the department chairperson offering the course, who may then authorize the student to be placed into a higher-level developmental education course or into the first college level course in the sequence.
 - d. A student who may be placed into a higher-level course must satisfy all prerequisite requirements; please refer to the 3358:11-2-23 Prerequisites and Corequisites Policy and Procedures.
2. ACCUPLACER assessments from other schools, colleges, and universities may also be accepted. The assessment scores must be less than five years old and sent directly to the Testing Center for review.
3. ACT scores less than five years old or articulated college credit (i.e., advanced placement, college level exam program (CLEP) composition, education/experiential learning, high school, military experience/education, proficiency exam, Tech Prep, transfer, etc.) may be accepted for part or all of ACCUPLACER assessment.
4. Official score levels and any multiple measures levels are determined by the Chief Academic Officer.
5. The official retest procedures for ACCUPLACER limits the number of test attempts that a student may take. Refer to the placement retest procedures maintained by Testing Services. Link: <https://www.owens.edu/testing/placement/#PlacementRetest>

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Updated procedures through the Academic Standards Committee to the Provost, effective Summer Semester 2023. (Posted 5-4-23)

The procedures conform to the policy, as approved by the Board of Trustees, May 16, 2020.