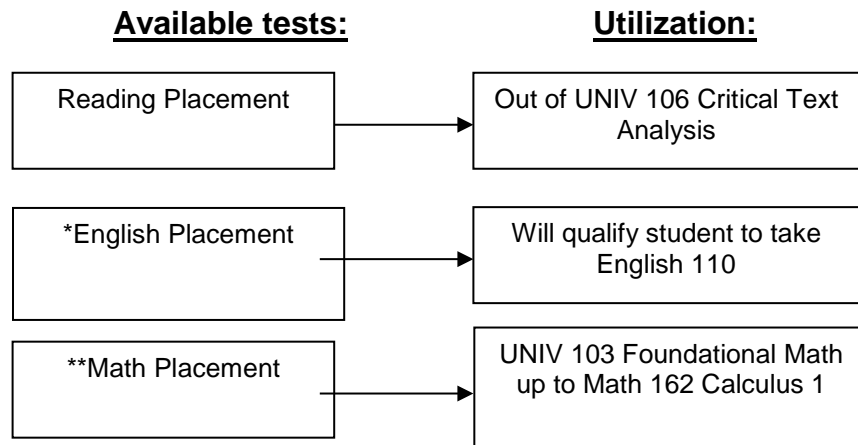


ACCUPLACER Placement Testing

Description: ACCUPLACER is a comprehensive computer adaptive placement testing system that is developed by CollegeBoard. ACCUPLACER helps place students in appropriate courses; it assists in matching a student's skill level with an appropriate course. Currently, the University of New Mexico utilizes ACT/SAT scores to place students into a specific course. ACCUPLACER testing is intended for Introductory Studies students, returning students, and students who need a current assessment of their skill level. Students who would like to take a placement test must do so **prior** to the first day of the semester and before beginning a Math, English or Reading sequence.



Important Information Regarding Reading and English Placement: The **Reading Placement** is used for placing students out of or into UNIV 106 Critical Text Analysis. The **English Placement** is used for placing students into appropriate English classes. The English Placement is **NOT** used for placing students out of English 110 and into English 120. *Additionally, once a student begins a reading or English sequence they are **not** eligible to test.* These tests are for placement only, not for course credits.

Important Information Regarding Math Placement: The **Math Placement** is utilized for placing students in courses ranging from UNIV 103 Foundational Math up to Math 162 Calculus. Please note the Mathematics Department uses the highest valid score for placement. *Additionally, once a student begins a Math sequence they are **not** eligible to test.* For example, if a student takes a Math course and fails, the student cannot take the Math Placement to move on to the next course in the sequence. This test is for placement only, not for course credit.

Sample Questions: Some sample questions are online at: <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org>

Length: The ACCUPLACER tests are untimed so students can work at their own pace. Generally students complete *each* test in 1 hour.

Cost: There is a \$5.00 fee per ACCUPLACER test- Cash or Check Only. Exact change is preferred. All fees are Non-Refundable.

Where: Testing Center, **1634 University Blvd NE, Continuing Education- South Bldg room 226.**

When: For the Spring semester ACCUPLACER testing is offered November thru January. For Summer/Fall semester ACCUPLACER testing is offered Mid-April thru August. Please call the Testing Center at 277-5346 for specific ACCUPLACER testing dates. No appointment necessary (walk-in). Testing hours are Monday-Friday from 8am-2pm. Some exceptions may apply based on availability and/or staffing. *All testing must be done **before** the semester begins. Testing fee, picture identification and UNM student ID number is **required** at the time of testing.*

Results: Results with placement recommendations will be available upon completion of the test(s).

Retesting: The computer adaptive nature of the ACCUPLACER tests generally provides an accurate measure of a student's ability. However, a student may retake the Reading or English placement test two (2) times **before** the semester begins and **before** starting a Reading or English sequence. Also, a student may retake the Math test four (4) times **before** the semester begins and **before** starting a Math sequence.

*Additional **English placement test** information. Students may take the English test up to three (3) times during each registration period. However, students *must* take it **before** the semester begins and **before** starting an English sequence.

Additional **Math test information. Students may take the ACCUPLACER Math test up to five (5) times but must test **before** the semester begins and **before** starting a Math sequence. Personal calculators are **not** allowed. However, an onscreen calculator (basic and scientific) will be provided from within the exam when needed.

*** Students may only take the placement test(s) **once** per day.

**For additional information contact the Testing Center at 277-5346
UNM Main Campus Testing Center
SAT/ ACT/ ACCUPLACER Placement Table**

| SAT Score: | ACT Score: | ACCUPLACER Score: | Course Placement: |
|----------------|----------------|---------------------------|--|
| Reading | Reading | Reading | |
| <= 479 | <= 17 | 0-79 | UNIV 106 (Critical Text Analysis) |
| 480+ | 18+ | 80-120 | Out of UNIV 106 (Critical Text Analysis) |
| English | English | Sentence Skills | |
| <=420 | <=14 | 0-92 | English 111 (Composition I) |
| 430-490 | 15-18 | 93-108 | English 113 (Enhanced Composition) |
| 500-650 | >=19 | 109-120 | English 110 (Accelerated Composition) |
| Math | Math | Arithmetic | |
| <= 469 | <= 17 | 0-120 | UNIV 103 (Foundational Math) |
| Math | Math | Elementary Algebra | |
| <=469 | <= 17 | 0-40 | UNIV 103 (Foundational Math) |
| 460-539 | 18 – 21 | 41-65 | Math 101, 111 |
| 540-589 | 22-24 | 66-103 | Math 129, STAT 145 |
| 540-589 | 22-24 | 104-120 | Math 121 |
| | | College Level Math | |
| | | 0-36 | Use Elementary Algebra Score |
| 540-589 | 22-24 | 37-68 | Math 121, 129, STAT 145 |
| 590+ | 25+ | 69-99 | Math 123, 150, 153 or |
| 620+ | 26+ | 69-99 | Math 180 |
| 660-729 | 28-31 | 100-120 | Math 162* |
| | | | |
| <=729 | <=31 | | Must take Math 123 |
| 730+ | 32+ | | Out of Math 123 |

***Math 162 Note:** If a student has an ACT score <=31 or SAT <=729, they must successfully complete Math 123 **before** taking Math 162.

Note: Math 123 and Math 150 can be taken concurrently as individual courses or in the combined course Math 153.

Required scores and equivalent course placements as used by the University of New Mexico.