## Computerized Placement Test (CPT) Waivers

## 2018-2019

A student may be waived from all or part of the CPT based on the following:

- 3 Math Regents scores over 65
- Alg. II/Trig. Regents - 85 or higher
- Passed HS Calculus or Pre-calculus
- SAT Math - 540 or higher*
- ACT Math - 22 or higher
- AP in Mathematics - 3 or higher
- SAT Evidence-Based Reading \& Writing - 550 or higher*
- ACT Reading - 21 or higher

Waive Arithmetic and Algebra

- English Regents - 85 or higher
- SAT Writing subscore -28
- AP in English - 3 or higher
- Global Studies Regents - 85 or higher
- SAT Reading subscore -27
- AP in Social Science - 3 or higher
*SAT's taken before March 2016 follow the previous cut scores:
Math - 510
Critical Reading - 500


## Transfer courses:

- Students transferring college-level courses with a C or better from an accredited institution of higher education may receive credit for college-level courses.
- Advanced Placement scores of 3 or higher are accepted for college credit.
- Students who have successfully completed upper-level developmental courses which are equivalent to SCCC's upper-level developmental courses in Reading, English, and Math may be waived from the placement test in those areas.


## MATH PLACEMENT FOR INCOMING STUDENTS

Students not waived from the math placement test initially take the Algebra CPT with use of a calculator. If they score lower than a 250, they are then required to take the Arithmetic CPT, without use of a calculator.

College-level course selection should be based on HS math and intended major.

| Scores | Course Placement |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arithmetic CPT $\leq 236$ | MAT001 |  |
| Arithmetic CPT: 237-249 | MAT006 |  |
| Arithmetic CPT $\geq 250$ <br> or | Calculus-track majors <br> or | MAT007 |
| 1 Regents score $\geq 80$ <br> or <br> 2 Regents scores $\geq 65$ | RDG098 not satisfied | RDG098 satisfied | MAT009

## Notes:

1. The MAT006 placement can be met by MAT001 and MAT007.
2. The MAT009 placement can be met by MAT007.
3. MAT007 and MAT009 meet the same course prerequisites, except MAT009 requires the chair's permission to take MAT111.

| Pre-Calculus or <br> Calculus Grades* | Course Placement |
| :---: | :---: |
| Pre-Calculus $\leq 69$ | MAT101-MAT112 |
| Pre-Calculus: 70-84 | MAT124 or lower |
| Pre-Calculus $\geq 85$ | MAT126 or lower |
| Non-AP Calculus $\geq 65$ | MAT126 or MAT141 |
| AP Calculus AB: 1-2 | MAT141 or lower |
| AP Calculus AB: 3-5 | MAT142 or MAT205 |
| AP Calculus BC: 1-2 | MAT126 or MAT141 |
| AP Calculus BC: 3-5 | MAT200 or higher |

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## Computerized Placement Test (CPT) Results Guidelines 2018-2019

Each section has a score range from 200-300. Students must take required developmental courses during their first semester.

## Reading Comprehension

| SCORE | PLACEMENT |
| :---: | :--- |
| $250-300$ | No Developmental <br> Reading needed |
| $237-249$ | RDG099 |
| $230-236$ | RDG096* |
| $200-236$ | RDG098 |

*RDG096 is equivalent to RDG098 and RDG099. When placed in RDG096, students may take RDG096 or RDG098 for their first semester.

## WritePlacer

| SCORE | PLACEMENT | COURSES TO TAKE |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| WritePlacer: 5-8 | ENG101 | ENG101 |
| WritePlacer: 3-4 | ENG010* | ENG010, ENG012 |
| WritePlacer: 0-2 | ENG009 | ENG009 |

*Students placed in RDG099 or higher and ENG010 may choose to take ENG012 with ENG101 instead of only ENG010.

## Chemistry Placement

| SCORE | PLACEMENT | PURPOSE |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 65 HS Average in <br> Chemistry | CHEM | Chemistry prerequisite met for <br> CHE120 and BIO130. |
| 80 HS Average in <br> Chemistry <br> within last 3 years | CHEB | Chemistry prerequisite met for <br> CHE120, BIO130, and BIO150. |

Half-year high school courses or non-lab chemistry courses may not be equivalent. Contact the appropriate academic chair for further guidance.

# ESL Advising Guide <br> 2018-2019 <br> Both the Reading and the Writing tests are required of self-identifying ESL students. 

Reading Comprehension

| SCORE | PLACEMENT |
| :--- | :--- |
| $250-300$ | College Level |
| $227-249$ | ESL012 |
| $200-226$ | ESL011 |

## Writing/Grammar*

| READING <br> SCORE | WRITEPLACER <br> SCORE | PLACEMENT |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $250-300$ | $6-8$ | College Level |
| $227-249$ | $5-6$ | ESL014 and ESL018 |
| $200-226$ | $1-4$ | ESL013 and ESL017 |

*In cases of disparity between the placement levels, refer to an ESL advisor. If an ESL advisor is not available, assign the lower writing and grammar placement.

- You have two ways to determine if students need ESL classes. One is by their paperwork. The other is during your face-to-face meeting with them. Accurate placement is a major factor in persistence and success of our ESL students.


## Paperwork:

## Foreign Transcript:

If the student graduated high school or college in a foreign country (where English is not the dominant language), they are required to have a NACES approved company (like WES or SpanTran) determine the US equivalent (HS diploma, college credits or degree).

## Foreign Country listed on US HS transcript:

If the student spent any of their high school years in a foreign country (where English is not the dominant language), it will be listed on their transcript.

## ESL or Bilingual Classes in HS:

Different school districts have different names for ESL (ENL, English as a New Language, is the newest), but these classes will be listed on their transcript.

## Evidence of ESL Testing:

NY administers an English assessment test called NYSESLAT (New York State ESL Achievement Test). Other evidence could be a Regents Test administered in a foreign language or a discrepancy between a Global Studies score and Regents ELA score, i.e., Global Studies 85/Regents ELA 65.

## Low CPT Scores:

If a student scores in the low 200s, it's worth taking a closer look at their paperwork to see if any of these other criteria exist. Often it might benefit the student to suggest the Non-Credit ESL classes to strengthen their skills prior to trying to take credit courses. (Referring to the ESL Advisor is recommended at that point).

## Face-to-Face Meeting:

## Difficulty Speaking / Understanding:

If the student seems uncomfortable or unsure speaking English, this is a good indication they could be an ESL student.

## Interpreter Present:

If the student does have difficulty understanding or expressing themselves in English, they may bring a friend or family member to assist them.

This quick guide is intended to help. If you are still not sure, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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# Suffolk County Community College <br> College-Wide Retest Policy 2013-2014 

If a student has taken the Computerized Placement Test (CPT) and has not begun the course(s) into which he/she has been placed, and requests a retest for all or part of the CPT, the following guidelines will be used when considering the request:

## Students placed into any developmental course:

- Students with an unweighted high school GPA of 75 or above may be retested in any discipline.
- Students must wait two weeks before retesting (can be waived if close to semester start date).
- A student may only be retested once on all or part of the CPT.
- Students should be directed to use the following practice website/study app before retesting: https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/


## Students without a HS GPA of 75 or above:

## Students who place into second-level reading (RDG099) or English (ENG010):

- Students with a Regents exam grade of 85 or higher on Global Studies, U.S. History, or Earth Science can be retested on the WritePlacer portion of the CPT.
- Students with a grade of 75 or higher on the Global Studies Regents examination can be retested on the reading portion of the CPT.


## Students who place into first-level reading (RDG098/096) or English (ENG009):

- Students with a Regents exam grade of 65 or higher on Global Studies, U.S. History, or Earth Science can be retested in reading or English.


## Students who place into developmental mathematics at any level (MAT001/MAT006/MAT007/MAT009):

- Students with a Regents exam grade of 85 or higher on the Algebra I Regents (or Math A Regents) can be retested in math.
- Students should be directed to use math practice websites before retesting:

1. https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/
2. www.coolmath.com
3. www.math.com
4. www.purplemath.com
5. www.algebrahelp.com

## Retest Policy

A student may only be retested once on all or part of the CPT.

| 75 unweighted GPA | Retest in any section |
| :---: | :---: |
| Global, U.S., or Earth Science -85 | Retest in WritePlacer |
| Global Regents -75 | Retest in Reading |
| Global, U.S., or Earth Science -65 | Retest in Reading or WritePlacer if at first- <br> level (RDG098/ENG009) |
| 1 Math Regents -85 | Retest in Math |

Foreign Language Placement Guidelines

| High School Course Completed | Time Since Completion | Course or <br> Regents Grade | Recommended <br> Course at SCCC |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Level IV or higher | Less than 1 year | B- or higher | 202 or higher |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}+$ or lower | 201 |
|  | 1 year | A- or higher | 201 or 202 |
|  |  | B+ or lower | 102 or 201 |
|  | 2 or 3 years | B- or higher | 102 or 201 |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}+$ or lower | 101 or 102 |
|  | 4 years or more | A- or higher | 101 or 102 |
|  |  | B+ or lower | 101 |
| Level III or higher | Less than 2 years | B- or higher | 102 or 201 |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}+$ or lower | 101 or 102 |
|  | 2 or 3 years | B- or higher | 101 or 102 |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}+$ or lower | 101 |
|  | 4 years or more | A- or higher | 101 or 102 |
|  |  | B+ or lower | 101 |
| Level I or II | Less than 1 year | B- or higher | 101 or 102 |
|  |  | C+ or lower | 101 |
|  | 1 year or more | A- or higher | 101 or 102 |
|  |  | B+ or lower | 101 |

## Ability to Benefit (ATB)

Applicants without an approved high school diploma or general equivalency diploma (GED or TASC) can apply for admission under Ability to Benefit. Students must take the original CPT and achieve the minimum scores in all sections listed below in one test setting. After a wait period of 15 days, students may retest once with approval and must retake the entire CPT again in one test setting.

Students who pass the CPT would then be matriculated into a degree program through the admissions process and may be eligible for financial aid through New York State (TAP or A.P.T.S.). Students who are admitted under Ability to Benefit are not eligible for Federal Financial Aid (Pell, SEOG, Student Loans).

## Passing Scores <br> Reading - 55 <br> Sentence Skills - 60 <br> Arithmetic - 34

After completing 24 college level credits in the subject categories listed below, students can apply to New York State Department of Education for an equivalency diploma.

The following list provides typical examples of courses meeting each category, but is not exhaustive. View a What-If Analysis for "GeneralEducationDiploma - GED" for a complete list of courses meeting each category.


| ADVANCED PLACEMENT | SCORE | CR | EQUIV SCCC |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| American History | 5,4,3 | 6 | HIS103, HIS104 |
| Art, 2D Design | 5,4,3 | 3 | ART130 |
| Art, 3D Design | 5,4,3 | 3 | ART210 |
| Art Studio, Drawing | 5,4,3 | 6 | ART133, ART134 |
| Art Studio, General | 5,4,3 | 6 | 2 ARTTRA |
| Art History | 5,4,3 | 6 | ART111, ART112 |
| Biology | 5,4,3 | 4 | BIO150 |
| Calculus AB | 5,4,3 | 4 | MAT141 |
| Calculus BC | 5,4,3 | 8 | MAT141, MAT142 |
| Chemistry | 5,4,3 | 8 | CHE133, CHE134 |
| Chinese | 5,4,3 | 6 | CHI101, CHI102 |
| Computer Science A or AB | 5,4,3 | 3-4 | CSE118 (or CST112) |
| Computer Science Principles | 5,4,3 | 4 | CST111 |
| Macroeconomics | 5,4,3 | 3 | ECO111 |
| Microeconomics | 5,4,3 | 3 | ECO112 |
| English Lang/Comp | 5,4,3 | 6 | ENG101, ENGTRA |
| English Lit/Comp | 5,4,3 | 6 | ENG101, ENG102 |
| Environmental Science | 5,4,3 | 4 | ENV101 |
| European History | 5,4,3 | 6 | HIS101, HIS102 |
| French Language | 3 | 6 | FRE101, FRE102 |
| French Language | 4 | 6 | FRE102, FRE201 |
| French Language | 5 | 6 | FRE201, FRE202 |
| Geography, Human | 5,4,3 | 3 | GEO102 |
| German Language | 3 | 6 | GER101, GER102 |
| German Language | 4 | 6 | GER102, GER201 |
| German Language | 5 | 6 | GER201, GER202 |
| Govt. \& Politics-Comparative | 5,4,3 | 3 | POL107 |
| Govt. \& Politics-US | 5,4,3 | 3 | POL105 |
| Italian Language | 3 | 6 | ITL101, ITL102 |
| Italian Language | 4 | 6 | ITL102, ITL201 |
| Italian Language | 5 | 6 | ITL201, ITL202 |
| Music | 5,4,3 | 6 | MUS117, MUSTRA |
| Physics 1 | 5,4,3 | 4 | PHY101 |
| Physics 2 | 5,4,3 | 4 | PHY102 |
| Physics B | 5,4,3 | 8 | PHY101, PHY102 |
| Physics C - Mechanics | 5,4,3 | 4 | PHY130/132 |
| Physics C - Electricity/Magnetism | 5,4,3 | 4 | PHY 230/232 |
| Psychology | 5,4,3 | 3 | PSY101 |
| Spanish Language | 3 | 6 | SPN101, SPN102 |
| Spanish Language | 4 | 6 | SPN102, SPN201 |
| Spanish Language | 5 | 6 | SPN201, SPN202 |
| Spanish Literature | 5,4,3 | 3 | SPN222 |
| Statistics | 5,4,3 | 3 | MAT103 |
| World History | 5,4,3 | 6 | HISTRA, HISTRB |
| Revised 10/1/18 |  |  |  |



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[^0]:    *Students currently taking pre-calculus or calculus, who want their math placement changed, will need to return to counseling with their final grade.

[^1]:    *If student received an IB Diploma, we can accept SL as well as HL courses with a score of 4 or better. *If student received an IB Certificate, we can accept only HL courses with a score of 4 or better.

