

UC System Entry-Level Writing Requirement

As a UC undergraduate, you must demonstrate a proficiency in writing. You may meet the Entry-Level Writing Requirement in any of the following ways:

- Score 3 or higher on the College Board Advanced Placement Examination in English (Language or Literature).
- Score 5 or higher on the International Baccalaureate Higher Level Examination or 6 or higher on the Standard Level Examination in English (Language A only).
- Score 30 or higher on the ACT Combined English/Writing test or 680 or higher on the Writing section of the SAT Reasoning Test.
- Complete with a grade of C or better a transferable college course in English composition worth four quarter or three semester units.
- Achieve a passing score on the UC Analytical Writing Placement Examination, given in the spring every year. If you're admitted to UC, you'll receive detailed information in April about the exam. If you're not a resident of California, you may take the exam in the fall after you enroll.
- Complete an appropriate English course at UC with a grade of C or better.

UC System Math & Science

UC undergraduate students take their math and science assessment during summer orientation at the campus they plan to attend.

CSU Placement Tests: English Placement Test (EPT) and Entry Level Mathematics (ELM)

The EPT is a one-time assessment that helps CSU determine what reading and writing courses you should take upon enrollment. The EPT requires one hour and 45 minutes to administer. The test is broken down into one 45-minute essay section and two 30-minute multiple choice sections that will test your reading and comprehension skills. The ELM is a one-time assessment that helps CSU determine what mathematics courses you should take upon enrollment. The test consists of 50 questions that you have 90 minutes to answer. The topics covered include numbers and data, algebra and geometry.

EPT Exemptions

You do not have to take the EPT if you present proof of one of the following:

- A score of 500 or above on the critical reading section of the College Board SAT Reasoning.
- A score of 22 or above on the American College Testing (ACT) English Test.
- A score of 3 or above on either the Language and Composition or Composition and Literature examination of the College Board Advanced Placement Program.
- Completion and transfer to CSU of the credits for a college course that satisfies the CSU General Education requirement in English Composition, provided such a course was completed with a grade of C or better.
- A score of "Exempt" or "Ready for college-level English courses" on the CSU Early Assessment Program (EAP) taken along with the English Language Arts California Standard Test in grade 11.

CSU Placement Tests: English Placement Test (EPT) and Entry Level Mathematics (ELM) cont.

ELM Exemptions

You do not have to take the ELM if you present proof of one of the following:

- A score of 550 or above on the mathematics section of the College Board SAT Reasoning.
- A score of 550 or above on a College Board SAT Subject Test in Mathematics (level 1 or level 2).
- A score of 23 or above on the American College Testing (ACT) Mathematics Test.
- A score of 3 or above on the College Board Advanced Placement Calculus AB or Calculus BC exam.
- A score of 3 or above on the College Board Advanced Placement Statistics examination.
- Completion and transfer to CSU of a college course that satisfies the requirement in Quantitative Reasoning, provided such a course was completed with a grade of C or better.
- A score of "Exempt" or "Ready for college-level Mathematics courses" on the CSU Early Assessment Program (EAP), taken in grade 11 in conjunction with the CST in Summative High School Mathematics or Algebra II.
- A score of "Conditionally ready for college-level Mathematics courses" or "Conditional" on the CSU Early Assessment Program (EAP) taken in grade 11 along with the California Standards Test in Summative High School Mathematics or Algebra II, provided you successfully complete a CSU-approved 12th grade math course that requires Algebra II as a prerequisite.