

PLACEMENT AND CLEARANCE EXAMS

Policy on Enrollment in Pre-University Skills Courses

Students whose placement testing places them in pre-university skills courses must enroll in at least one such course (5 credits) per quarter until these course requirements are satisfied. Furthermore, all students so placed must complete all pre-university mathematics, English and computer literacy courses before the completion of 45 university course credits. Failure to do so will result in a hold on subsequent registration until a plan to satisfy the pre-university requirements is accepted and has been signed off by their advisor. Students who have declared their majors will work with their advisor in their academic departments. Students who are undeclared will work with advisors in General Undergraduate Academic Advising. Students will need adequate advising to remain in compliance with this policy. Unavailability of these courses, as certified by your academic advisor in a given quarter, suspends this requirement for that quarter.

Pre-University Basic Skills

include: CPLA 100, ENGL 100, MTHD 103, MTHD 104, MTHD 106.

Admitted freshman and transfer students may be required to complete placement tests in English composition and mathematics.

Examination Requirements

Students must complete a mathematics placement exam if they have not completed the equivalent of MTHD 104 with a grade ≥ 2.0 . Transfer students who do not have an approved direct-transfer associate degree or an intermediate college algebra course with a grade ≥ 2.0 must take the mathematics placement test. English composition placement is based on a student's **SAT or ACT** test scores if the student has not completed at least one composition course at a college or university. **Note:** the mathematics placement test may be taken twice in a calendar year with at least two weeks between test times.

Computer Literacy Clearance

Computer Literacy clearance must be achieved by all students to earn a baccalaureate degree.

Specific information on what is covered in the challenge exams as well as exam procedures and dates are posted at: complit@ewu.edu

Competency is demonstrated by successful completion of the clearance examination or completion of CPLA 100 (1) with a **P** grade and CPLA 101 (1) with a grade ≥ 2.0 or completion of CPLA 120 (5) with a grade ≥ 2.0 .

- CPLA 100 *does not count for college credit.*

The following students must complete the computer literacy requirements:

- all incoming students without a direct transfer associate degree or a previous bachelor's degree.
- all students in programs requiring CPLA 100, CPLA 101 or CPLA 120, including students with direct transfer associate degrees.

- all students with course requirements having CPLA 100, CPLA 101 or CPLA 120, including students with direct transfer associate degrees.

English Composition Competency and Proficiency

English Composition competency and proficiency must be demonstrated by all students to earn a baccalaureate degree.

For more information, contact the English Composition Program, 509.359.7064.

Competency is demonstrated by placement into ENGL 201 based on the placement test score or by submission of an official transcript showing completion of ENGL 101 or its equivalent, at a post-secondary institution with a grade ≥ 2.0 .

Students placed into ENGL 100, or ENGL 101, must complete ENGL 100 with a grade of **P** and ENGL 101 with a grade ≥ 2.0 before proceeding to the next level of English.

- ENGL 100 *does not count for college credit.*

Proficiency is demonstrated by completion of ENGL 201 or by submission of an official transcript showing completion of ENGL 201 or its equivalent, at a postsecondary institution with a grade ≥ 2.0 .

- English composition proficiency should be completed as soon as possible because some courses require ENGL 201 as a prerequisite.

Mathematics Competency and Proficiency

Mathematics competency and proficiency must be demonstrated by all students to earn a baccalaureate degree.

Competency is demonstrated by placement into any math course above MTHD 104, based on the placement test scores or by submission of an official transcript showing completion of MTHD 104, or its equivalent, at a postsecondary institution with a grade ≥ 2.0 .

Students must complete the objectives of MTHD 103 and pass MTHD 104 or MTHD 106 with a grade ≥ 2.0 before proceeding to the next level of mathematics.

- Mathematics competency must be completed before 45 credits are earned.

Note: *MTHD 103, MTHD 104, MTHD 106 do not count for college credit.*

Proficiency is demonstrated by placement into MATH 161 based on the placement score or by submission of an official transcript showing completion of MATH 161 or its equivalent, at a postsecondary institution with a grade ≥ 2.0 .

Students placed into MATH 141 or its equivalent may obtain mathematics proficiency by completing one of the following requirements with a grade ≥ 2.0 : MATH 107; MATH 121; both MATH 141 and MATH 142; both MATH 211 and MATH 212; MATH 200; MATH 301 or MATH 380 or BIOL 380. Specific mathematics requirements apply to various majors.

Please consult an advisor when deciding which math courses to complete.

- Mathematics proficiency must be completed before 90 credits are earned.
- Additional course work beyond mathematics proficiency may be required to complete the major program requirements.

- Transfer students with an approved direct-transfer associate degree have met the mathematics competency and proficiency requirement but may need to complete additional math requirements for their major.
- Transfer students who enter the university with 40 quarter credits or more must complete both mathematics competency and mathematics proficiency within three quarters of admission.