

Course Placement Updates

- These updates will go into effect universally (transfer & NF) for those students admitted beginning with the summer 2021 term.
- New freshmen must complete their course placement requirement in order to be eligible to register for NSO.
- UW Milwaukee will not accept any results from the online, unproctored, untimed UW System placement tests.
 - All UW System placement test results (math, English, foreign language) from prior to 2020 will still be accepted.
 - Foreign language results from 2020 will be accepted as well.

How does a freshmen complete their course placement requirement?

- Submit ACT or SAT scores
- OR
- Complete BOTH Panther Math Prep (PMP) AND the Guided English Placement (GEP)
 - Both PMP and GEP are free and completed online by the student on their own time; no advance scheduling needed.
 - We anticipate these tools will be ready by the end of March.

Math Placement

- Students who submit their ACT/SAT score will automatically be placed into their math course based on their math score according to the chart below.
 - Both NF and transfer students beginning with the summer 2021 admit term will automatically receive a milestone in PAWS.
 - For current students/any student admitted prior to summer 2021, we will no longer allow the assumption of 4 units of HS math to use course permission to enroll. Current students without a math milestone should use the charts below.
 - If a current student needs a milestone placed for the ACT/SAT score, please email me.
 - If a current student wants to attempt to place higher than their ACT/SAT score, they can utilize PMP.
- Panther Math Prep (PMP) is available as a free online placement tool for any student who does not submit an ACT/SAT score or for any student that wants to improve their math placement level.
 - PMP utilizes the ALEKS platform as a placement test and prep tool.
 - Students can complete up to 5 online proctored placement tests via ALEKS.
 - All 5 attempts are video proctored and reviewed by math staff before scores are uploaded to PAWS.
 - If a student does not have access to a webcam, they can contact panthermathprep@uwm.edu, and Suzanne/math department will work with them to try to arrange testing in the math department computer lab.
 - This year the first attempt will be counted as a score that students can use for placement. They can opt to continue prepping/testing up to five total tests.
 - We will be turning off access to new users shortly after the admissions deadline in August.
 - Students have the option to utilize the prep, review, and practice tools provided within ALEKS to work through different functional areas of math depending on where their assessment showed need for improvement.
- If a student has multiple placement scores – for example multiple ACT/SAT scores, an ACT/SAT score plus ALEKS score, multiple ALEKS scores, etc. – the student is able to utilize whichever score placed them highest when enrolling in math courses.

ACT Math Score	SAT Math Score	Placement Level	Course Eligibility – CGS & Main Campus
0-17	0-489	0	92 or 94
18-23	490-569	10	98, 103, 111
24-27	570-669	20	103, 105, 111, 116, 175
28-31	670-719	30	115, 116, 117, 175, 205, 211, S215 QLA Satisfied
32-33	720-759	40	175, 205, 211, 213, S215, 231 QLA & 115 satisfied
34-36	760-800	45	175, 205, 211, 213, S215, 221, 231 QLA & 115 satisfied

English Placement

- Students who submit their ACT/SAT score will automatically be placed into their English course based on their English/ERWS score according to the charts below.
- Guided English Placement (GEP) is available as a free online placement tool for any student who does not submit an ACT/SAT score or for any student who doesn't think their ACT/SAT scores have accurately placed them.
 - The GEP can only be completed one time.
 - A student cannot satisfy their GER OWC Part A via the GEP.
 - There will be an appeal process for students with no ACT/SAT scores who do not believe their GEP placement is accurate. The appeal will be completed by the English composition coordinator and GER cannot be satisfied by the appeal process.
- GER can only be satisfied by ACT, SAT, AP, IB, or EPT (scores prior to 2020).
- If a student has multiple placement scores – for example multiple ACT/SAT scores, an ACT/SAT score plus GEP score, etc. – the student is able to utilize whichever score placed them highest when enrolling in English courses.
- The EAP department will allow students to enroll in EAP courses based on ACT, SAT, GEP, TOEFL, or IELTS scores. There are also some students they are assessing Duolingo scores for; those scores are not entered in PAWS.
 - EAP prereqs will read the English placement milestones for 100, 101, and 102 to allow students who placed into those courses to enroll in either the EAP or ENG course.
 - Milestones are being built to allow students to enroll in EAP courses based off of TOEFL and IETLS scores.
 - There will also be questions in the GEP that flag students who are possible EAP candidates. EAP will reach out directly to those students with more information about EAP.

Main Campus

English Course Placement	ACT English Score	SAT ERWS (Evidence Based Reading & Writing Score)	PAWS Milestone Level
ENG 100	1-16	200-460	1
ENG 101	17-24	461-590	2
ENG 102	25-28	591-650	3
Test out/GER OWC A satisfied	29-36	651-800	4

CGS

CGS English Course Placement	ACT English Score	SAT ERWS (Evidence Based Reading & Writing Score)	PAWS Milestone Level
CGS ENG 98	1-16	200-460	20
CGS ENG 101 + CGS ENG 99	17-18	461-500	30
CGS ENG 101	19-24	501-590	40
CGS ENG 102	25-28	591-650	50
CGS can inquire about portfolio to satisfy core requirement or enroll in CGS 102	29-36	651-800	55
Portfolio reviewed & approved to satisfy core requirement	29-36	651-800	60

EAP

TESTS	EPT-NNSE LEVEL 1 (EAP 110)	EPT-NNSE LEVEL 2 (EAP 100)	EPT-NNSE LEVEL 3 (EAP 101)	EPT-NNSE LEVEL 4 (EAP section ENG 102)
TOEFL	65-68	69-78	79-83	84-120
IELTS	5	5.5	6	6.5-9
DUOLINGO	85-90	95-100	105-110	115+
		EPT06 LEVEL 1 (EAP 100)	EPT06 LEVEL 2 (EAP 101)	EPT06 LEVEL 3 (EAP section ENG 102)
ACT	N/A	1-16	17-24	25-28
SAT	N/A	200-460	461-590	591-650

Foreign/World Language

- Placement recommendations will be based on prior high school coursework (as it was this past year) according to the charts below.
- UW Milwaukee will not accept the results of the UW System online test this year.
 - Students who seek to satisfy their foreign language GER via testing will work directly with the language department and GER Coordinator for assessment.
- The foreign language departments are developing a free online Guided World Language Placement tool that will be an optional tool for students to get a course recommendation.
 - This tool will not assign a placement milestone but can be utilized to guide placement if a student is unsure about their placement level based on previous HS coursework or if a student has taken a year or more off from language study. Much like the GEP, this tool has no right or wrong answers. It assesses a student's knowledge of their language experience and confidence in different skill sets.
 - The tool will be online and free.

French

HS Coursework	French Course Placement
1 year	103
2 years	104
3 years	203
4 years	204
Successfully completed a French 5 or AP French	303

- Students cannot move up or down a level from this placement, but the French department will run a diagnostic test in the first week of classes and let them know if they should move in either direction.

German

HS Coursework	German Course Placement
1 year	102
2 years	203
3 years	204
4+ years	331 or 332

- Students may move up or down one course at their discretion (e.g. down if they've not taken the language in a few years, or up if they've done intense self-study or extra-curriculars such as extended travel to/living in a German-speaking country).

Spanish

HS Coursework	Spanish Course Placement
1 year	103
2 years	104
3 years	203
4+ years	204

- Student may move up or down a level from these courses, depending on how long it's been since their last Spanish class, whether or not they feel prepared for the course, etc. For 104, 203, and 204 we include a list of topics we expect them to know prior to coming in to the course on our syllabi, so they will know whether it's the right level for them or not by the first day of class and can switch levels at that point, if needed.

Chemistry

- Chemistry placement will continue to be placed on a combination of math placement level and performance in high school chemistry. Advisors will assess and use course permission to enroll students.
 - If the student has a level 20 or higher math placement or has MATH 105 course or equivalent, then check for HS chemistry coursework and grade
 - Grade of B or higher, advise them to take CHEM 101, 102, 105 but give them the option to take CHEM 100 if they are concerned about their chemistry preparation (some might opt to do this).
 - Grade of B- or lower, advise them to take CHEM 100.
 - If the student placed lower than 20 or did not complete MATH 105 course or equivalent, then check for HS chemistry coursework and grade.
 - Grade of B or higher, advise them to take CHEM 101, 102, 105 but give them the option to take CHEM 100 if they are concerned about their chemistry preparation (some might opt to do this); CHEM 101, 102, 105 would be taken once MATH 105 is passed. CHEM 100 could be taken Fall semester as it is coreq'd with MATH 105.
 - Grade of B- or lower, advise them to take CHEM 100 concurrently with MATH 105.