

# Information for Placement Testing

## This is only necessary if you did NOT submit SAT or ACT scores!

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### **ENGLISH**

You will be required to take a placement exam in order to determine your English placement. This can be done over the summer (via the process described below) or in the fall.

The English Department has arranged a series of remote virtual testing sessions centered on writing a short essay. Each session will be conducted as a Zoom meeting with video and will take forty-five minutes to complete.

All virtual testing sessions will take place at 10am on a series of Fridays.

Please choose from one of the following dates  
**5/15, 5/29, 6/12, 6/26, 7/10, 7/24, or 8/14**

Additional information regarding the placement exam can be found on the English Department webpage:

<https://www.esu.edu/english/placement-test.cfm>

### **Registration**

Email the Placement Chair, Dr. Leigh Smith (lsmith@esu.edu), and the English Department Secretary, Ms. Andi Harrison (aharriso10@esu.edu), with your selected day. You will receive a reply containing a link to the Zoom testing session. *Prior to the session, please ensure that Zoom—with both audio and video—is operational on your computer.*

### **Testing Day**

Please join your testing session via the Zoom link provided. Once you've joined, the proctor will email you a prompt for a multi-paragraph essay and give you forty-five minutes to complete the assessment. Your camera must remain on to ensure academic integrity. At the end of the allotted time, you will save your essay and return it to the proctor by email. The Placement Committee will then score it and inform you of your results.

### **MATH**

A demonstration of basic math competency is required of all undergraduates. Satisfying the math competency requirement is needed to take any General Education Math course. One way to satisfy this requirement is by taking and passing ESU's Basic Math Competency Exam. More information about math competency and the exam can be found on the Math Department webpage:

[https://www.esu.edu/mathematics/competency\\_information/index.cfm](https://www.esu.edu/mathematics/competency_information/index.cfm)

The Math Department will hold the competency exam weekly for the first two months of fall semester. If you have any questions regarding math requirements, please contact Ms. Christine Getz, the Math Department Secretary, via email at [cgetz@esu.edu](mailto:cgetz@esu.edu), or contact Dr. Jonathan Keiter, the Math Competency Coordinator, via email at [jkeiter@esu.edu](mailto:jkeiter@esu.edu).

Please note: Students who plan to process accommodation paperwork through ESU's Office of Accessible Services Individualized for Students (OASIS) are advised not to schedule an English Placement Test or the Math Competency Test until these materials have been submitted, reviewed, and processed.

In terms of the English Placement Test, while ESU recognizes that it can be helpful for students to take the test over the summer, this is not required. Students can wait until the fall semester to take the English Placement Test. There are circumstances, including potential technology-related challenges with Zoom access, when waiting can be a better approach.