

Self-Placement Guidelines (Alternate Placement Plan)

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READING	ENGLISH	MATH
<p>Questions to Ask</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Do you like to read? Are you a good reader? Tell me about how well you did in understanding what you read in high school. What grade did you receive in your last two HS English literature, history, and other content-rich subject classes? How close to the 2.6 is their HS GPA? <p>Professional Judgement</p> <p>RDG 030: If they answer never or not very often to question 1 and their English grade was a C or lower and HS GPA is not within a few points of 2.6 they should take a RDG 030.</p> <p>RDG 079: If they answer often or very often to the first question, their English grade was B or better and HS GPA was more than a few points from 2.6 they should take RDG 079.</p> <p>EXEMPT: If they answer often or very often to the first question and their English grade was B or better and HS GPA was within a few points of 2.6 they don't need a reading class. <i>Enter a READ score in SOATEST.</i></p> <p>updated 3/11/2021</p>	<p>Questions to Ask</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Do you like to write? Are you a good writer? Tell me about how well you did in writing during high school. What grade did you receive in your last two HS English classes? How close to the 2.6 is their HS GPA? <p>Professional Judgement</p> <p>ENG 030: If they answer never or not very often to question 1 and received a C or lower in their last English class and HS GPA more than a few points from 2.6, place them in ENG 030.</p> <p>ENG 079: If they answer often or very often to question 1 and have either a B or better in their last English class or HS GPA more than a few points from 2.6, they should take ENG 079.</p> <p>ENG 101: If they answer often or very often to the first question 1 and they have received a B or better and are just a few points from the 2.6 HS GPA, they should take ENG 101.</p>	<p>Questions to Ask</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Have you ever had a job where you used math regularly? Are you comfortable doing computations with percentages? What was the last math class you took in HS, how long ago was it and what grade did you receive? What is your ACT math score (if they have one) or SAT math score? <p>Professional Judgement</p> <p>MTH 020: If they did not take a math class in the last three years and they received a C or lower in their last math class they may take MTH 020.</p> <p>MTH 050: Answering yes to the first or second question with the above math history may raise them to MTH 050. If the last math class was completed 24-36 months ago and received a C or lower, they may take MTH 050.</p> <p>MTH056/058 (paired with MTH161/180): If the last math class was completed in the last 24 months and was lower than Algebra II (Algebra I, Geometry, Consumer Math (at Pattonville this is the senior math class), etc.) and they passed with a C or better OR they received a C or lower in Algebra II they may take MTH161/180 with corresponding corequisite MTH056/058.</p> <p>MTH 140, 161, 180, or MTH 070 paired with MTH 160: If the most recent math course they took was Algebra II, it was in the last 3 years, and they received a B or better they may take MTH 140 or MTH 161 or MTH 180 or MTH 070 paired with MTH 160..</p> <p>MTH 160: If the most recent math course they took was Algebra II, it was in the last 12 months, and they received a B or better they may take MTH 160.</p> <p>MTH 161 or 180: If they completed a statistics course/credit, they may enroll in MTH 161 or MTH 180.</p> <p>MTH 185 or MTH 170: If they took Precalculus or Calculus in HS and received a B or better they may take Precalculus.</p> <p>MTH 210 or MTH 186: If they took Calculus in HS and received a B or better, they may take Calculus.</p>

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Using HiSET scores

- It is important to know that the HiSET standard for college and career ready is a 15 on a subtest.
- In order to pass the HiSET, a score of at least 8 must be achieved on all subtests, so there will be no scores below 8. The essay score must be a 2 out of 6 to pass.
- These guidelines assume no high school grades are available. If they are consider them also.
- These are guidelines; use your professional judgment.
- *Students should be referred to the [Longbow Academic Readiness Accelerator](#) as appropriate.*

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<p>Questions to Ask/Data to Review</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How often do you read for pleasure? 2. How many English courses did you take at the high school level? (If at least junior level) What grade did you receive in your last HS English class? 3. How close to the 2.6 is your HS GPA (if at least four semesters)? <p>Professional Judgement RDG 030: If their HiSET score is an 8 or 9 they should take RDG 030.</p> <p>RDG 079: If their HiSET score is 10-14 they should take RDG 079.</p> <p>EXEMPT A: If they achieve a score of 15 on reading, they do not need reading.</p> <p>EXEMPT B: If they answered often or very often on the first question, had at least a B in junior- level English and/or had a 2.6 or higher GPA at the end of their sophomore year, and scored 10-14, they are exempt, though the student might benefit from enrolling in RDG 100 or 079.</p>	<p>Questions to Ask/Data to Review</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How often do you read for pleasure? 2. How many English courses did you take at the high school level? (If at least junior level) What grade did you receive in your last HS English class? 3. How close to the 2.6 is your HS GPA (if at least four semesters)? <p>Professional Judgement ENG 030: If their HiSET score is 8 or 9, they should take ENG 030.</p> <p>ENG 101 with 079: If they have a HiSET score of 10-14, they should take ENG 101 with 079.</p> <p>ENG 101: If they have a writing score of 15 and/or an Essay score of 2 they should take ENG 101.</p> <p>ENG 101: If they answered often or very often on the first question, had at least a B in junior-level English and/or had a 2.6 or higher GPA at the end of their sophomore year, and scored 10-14, they can take ENG 101, though the student might benefit from ENG 101 with 079.</p>	<p>Questions to Ask/Data to Review</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have you ever had a job where you used math regularly? 2. Are you comfortable doing computations with percentages? 3. What was the last math class you took in HS, how long ago was it and what grade did you receive? 4. What is your ACT math score (if they have one)? <p>Professional Judgement MTH 020: If they scored 8-9 on the HiSET, they should take MTH 020.</p> <p>MTH 050: If they scored 10-11 on the HiSET, they should take MTH 050.</p> <p>MTH 140, 161(with co-req) or 180 (with co-req): If they scored 12-14 on the HiSET and answered yes to the first two questions or if they scored 15 on the HiSET, they should take MTH 140, 161, or 180.</p> <p>MTH 160, 161, or 180: If they scored above a 15 on the HiSET they may take MTH 160.</p>

Self-Placement Guidelines for Dual Credit/Enrollment Students (Alternate Placement Plan)

The below guidelines are intended to guide an advisor's recommendations for course placement. Dual enrollment students must meet with an STLCC advisor virtually to be placed using alternate placement plans. Dual credit students must be approved by a high school counselor to be placed using alternate placement plans. Students with ACT or Accuplacer scores may still use those for placement.

Q: What would qualify a student to use Self-Placement?

A: If a student is unable to provide STLCC with test scores and/or transcripts to determine their placement.

Q: How long is Self-Placement in effect?

A: These guidelines are in place until students can come back onto campus for placement testing. Students who do not register for a math or English course in the fall may be required to complete testing in these areas if (1) testing becomes available again and (2) they choose to sign up for a course in one of these disciplines in the spring or future semester. Students can meet reading proficiency by either having a 2.6 GPA or completing a three-credit hour college-level course 100-level or higher with a C or better.

Q: Other than the guidelines below, what else is recommended?

A: Prior to placement, advisors/high school counselors should also review the course descriptions with students.

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<p>Questions to Ask</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How often do you read for pleasure? 2. What grade did you receive in your last HS English class? 3. How close to the 2.6 is their HS GPA? <p><i>While we are using this alternate placement plan, dual credit/enrollment students may qualify using GPA only for reading.</i></p> <p>Professional Judgement RDG 030: dual credit/enrollment students are not eligible for this course.</p> <p>RDG 079: dual credit/enrollment students are not eligible for this course.</p> <p>EXEMPT: If they answer often or very often to the first question and their English grade was B or better and HS GPA was within a few points of 2.6 they don't need a reading class.</p> <p><i>An STLCC Advisor will need to enter a READ score in SOATEST.</i></p>	<p>Questions to Ask</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How often do you read for pleasure? 2. What grade did you receive in your last HS English class? 3. How close to the 2.6 is their HS GPA? <p><i>While we are using this alternate placement plan, dual credit/enrollment students may qualify using GPA only for English.</i></p> <p>Professional Judgement ENG 030: dual credit/enrollment students are not eligible for this course.</p> <p>ENG 079: dual credit/enrollment students are not eligible for this course.</p> <p>ENG 101: If they answer often or very often to the first question 1 and they have received a B or better and are just a few points from the 2.6 HS GPA, they should take ENG 101.</p>	<p>Questions to Ask</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have you ever had a job where you used math regularly? 2. Are you comfortable doing computations with percentages? 3. What was the last math class you took in HS, how long ago was it and what grade did you receive? 4. What is your ACT math score (if they have one)? <p>Professional Judgement MTH 020,050, 056, and 058: dual credit/enrollment students are not eligible for these courses.</p> <p>MTH 140**, 161, 180 or MTH 070 paired with MTH 160: If the most recent math course they took was Algebra II, it was in the last 3 years, and they received a B or better they may take MTH 140 or MTH 161 or MTH 180 or MTH 070 paired with MTH 160.</p> <p>MTH 160 or MTH 170: If the most recent math course they took was Algebra II, it was in the last 12 months, and they received a B or better they may take MTH 160.</p> <p>MTH 161 or 180: If they completed a statistics course/credit, they may enroll in MTH 161 or MTH 180.</p> <p>MTH 185 or 170: If they took Precalculus or Calculus in HS and received a B or better, they may take MTH 185 or 186.</p> <p>MTH 210 or MTH 186: If they took Calculus in HS and received a B or better, they may take Calculus.</p>

*Reading proficiency must also be checked where necessary.

**Students taking MTH 140 through dual credit are not required to meet any placement criteria other than dual credit eligibility.

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