

ENGLISH COURSE PLACEMENT

Follow the steps below to place students into the appropriate English course.

STEP 1: Any of the following minimum scores may place a student into **ENG 151: Introduction to Academic Writing**.

COURSE CODE	ACT English	SAT Writing	Accuplacer Next Gen Reading	Accuplacer Reading	Accuplacer ESL Reading	MCA Reading
ENG 151	18 or above	480 or above	250 or above	78	102	1047

OR

STEP 2: If a student's cumulative High School GPA is a 2.50 or above, any of the following scores will place a student into **ENG 151: Introduction to Academic Writing**.

COURSE CODE	ACT English	SAT Writing	Accuplacer Next Gen Reading
ENG 151	16-17	440-479	236-249

OR

STEP 3: Anyone who does not fall into one of the two above categories should take ENG 099.

For Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Summer 2023 & Fall 2023 semesters:

If a student has no scores for placement purposes, students with a cumulative High School GPA of 2.60, in consultation with their advisor, may be placed into English 151.

Validation period:

The period the entrance exam score, high school GPA, and acceptable placement score is valid for purposes of course placement.

SAT, ACT, MCA:

5 calendar years

High School GPA:

10 calendar years

ACCUPLACER Reading:

5 calendar years



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