



**SOUTH MOUNTAIN
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
A MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
7050 South 24th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85042
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Course Placement Information

At South Mountain Community College you can place into college courses using:
High School GPA, ACT, GED, and/or Placement Testing

High School GPA

You can use your High School (HS) GPA if:

- Your last date of HS attendance was within the **last 10 years**.
- You have **completed at least 2 years** of HS coursework (at least a Junior).
- You have an **unweighted, cumulative** HS GPA of **2.6 or higher**.
- You bring an unofficial HS transcript **OR** have an official HS transcript on file at SMCC.

ACT

You can use your ACT scores if:

- You completed the ACT within the **last 5 years**.
- You have a score of **18 or higher** in English, Reading, and/or Math.

GED

You can use your GED scores if:

- You completed the GED exam within the **last 5 years and no earlier than January 2014**.
- You have a score of **165 or higher** in Reasoning Through Language Arts and/or Math.

High School GPA	ACT	GED	English	Reading	Math
At least 2 years of HS completed & no more than 10 years out of HS	Placement based on individual subject area test scores, scores are valid for 5 years	Only valid for tests taken during or after 2014			
3.0 or higher	22 or higher	175 – 200	ENG101	CRE101	MAT15X or MAT187
2.6 – 2.99	18 – 21	165 – 174	ENG101	RDG100	MAT12X or MAT14X
Below 2.6	Below 18	Below 165	Take WritePlacer	Take ACCUPLACER	Take ACCUPLACER

Students can take the ACCUPLACER as a secondary measure if they do not meet the given criteria **OR** if they want to place into a higher level.

Placement Testing

You will need to take the ACCUPLACER placement test before registering if:

- You do not meet the ACT, GED, or HS GPA eligibility criteria.
- You have HS transcripts that are from outside the United States.
- You wish to place into a higher level of English, Reading, and/or Math.

Please see back to prepare for and plan your testing session.



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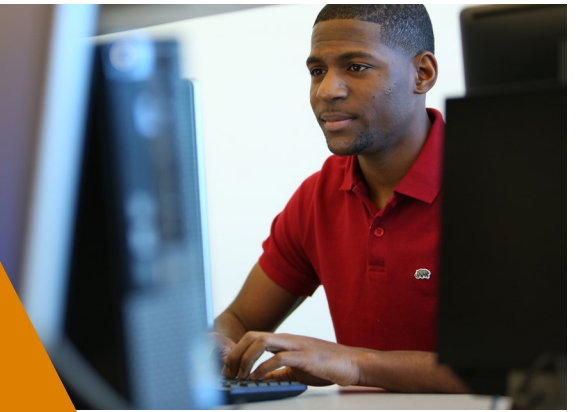
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Preparing for Placement Testing



Test Prep

Study beforehand to increase your chances to place into college-level English (Writing), Reading, and Math. A low placement test score can delay your degree progress and cost you money!

Online Study Resources

- www.khanacademy.org/math
- <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/student/practice>
 - **Writing:** Review the “Next-Generation WritePlacer® Guide with Sample Essays”
 - **Reading:** Review the “Next-Generation Reading Sample Questions”
 - **Math:** Review the “Next-Generation Sample Questions” for any of the following math levels:
 - * Arithmetic
 - * Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics
 - * Advanced Algebra and Functions

Contact Information

Location: Technology Center (TC) Building, 2nd Floor, Room 243

Office: 602-243-8188

Email: testing@southmountaincc.edu

Plan to Complete Your Test

Placement testing is available on a walk-in basis during our hours of operation.

www.southmountaincc.edu/testing

Summer Testing Schedule

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	8:30 AM to 3:00 PM*
Thursday	9:30 AM to 3:00 PM*
Friday	CLOSED

Fall & Spring Testing Schedule

Monday & Tuesday	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM*
Wednesday & Thursday	9:00 AM to 3:00 PM*
Friday	10:00 AM to 2:00 PM*

Note: This represents the latest time student could **begin a testing session.*

What to Bring

- [Valid Photo ID](#)
- MCCCDC Student ID Number (i.e. 3#####)
- **Unofficial High School Transcripts**, GED scores completed 2014 or later, or ACT scores

Taking the Test

- Please be prepared to spend at least **2.5 - 3 hours** on the entire testing process (All 3 sections of ACCUPLACER).
- Times are subject to change. Contact the Testing Center for verification.



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