



College Placement Testing

Testing Center
Blackwood Library, 2nd Floor
(856) 227-7200, ext. 4710
www.camdencc.edu/testing

Online Admissions Application

Before taking the college placement test, students should complete an online admissions application by going to <https://apply.camdencc.edu>. The student should select Create Your Account and then Apply to Camden County College.

Purpose of Accuplacer

The purpose of Accuplacer is to measure skills in reading, writing, and mathematics. The placement results will help each student determine which courses are most appropriate based on their current knowledge and skills. The test takes approximately two hours, but since most of the test is untimed, you are encouraged to work at a pace that you are comfortable with.

A current photo ID is required at the time of testing and will be checked both before and after testing.

Preparing for the Test

Preparing for the placement tests is strongly recommended. By obtaining a better placement, you may be able to progress towards college level coursework much quicker to get a head start toward your academic goals.

Get a good night sleep and have a light meal or snack before testing. Being tired or hungry can hurt your performance on the test. There are morning, afternoon, evening and weekend hours for testing. Check the testing schedule and take the test when you are usually the most alert.

Sample Tests/Description of the Test

Go to www.camdencc.edu/testing and select the links for the test description and sample tests.

Test Results

Students will receive an Individual Placement Report immediately after testing. Students may meet with an Academic Adviser during the Advisement Center walk-in hours to discuss the results. Because of the confidential nature of test scores, results cannot be given over the phone or by email.

Test Schedule

Please visit our website at www.camdencc.edu/testing

Special Arrangements for Students with Disabilities

Anyone with a learning or physical disability that would prevent them from taking the test under standard conditions may inquire about special accommodations by calling the Disability Services Department at (856) 227-7200 ext.4430. Students who are hearing impaired may call (856) 227-7200 ext. 4255 (voice) or (856)302-0024 (video phone) or email kceccanecchio@camdencc.edu to review options for test accommodations.

Test Exemptions

(Only official documentation will be accepted).

Exemptions from one or more sections of the College Placement Test may apply to:

- Students who have taken the Accuplacer or Compass test at another college within the last three years.
- Beginning in March 2016, students who took “new” SAT and scored 500 or higher on the SAT Mathematics and/or 450 or higher on the SAT Evidence Based Reading/Writing.* Scores can be accepted for three years.
- Prior to February 2018, students who scored 23 or higher on the ACT English **AND** Reading and/or 23 on the ACT Mathematics within the last three years.
- Beginning in February 2018, students who scored 18 or higher on the ACT English **AND** 22 or higher on ACT Reading and/or 22 on the ACT Mathematics within the last three years.
- Students who have scored a 4 or higher on the PARCC Algebra II will be exempt from the Math portion of Accuplacer, and a 4 or higher on the English Language Arts Grade 11 will be exempt from Reading and Writing portion of Accuplacer.
- Students who have met the Camden County College requirements for (AP) Advanced Placement or CLEP in English or mathematics.
- Students who have scored a 3 on the AP English Literature or AP English Language Test will be placed into ENG 101. Students who score a 4 or a 5 will be given credit for ENG 101.
- Students who have successfully completed a college-credit English Composition and/or mathematics course at a regionally accredited college.
- Students entering the English as a Second Language (ESL) program who have taken the ESL placement exam and the College Placement Test for mathematics.
- Students enrolled in some of the Certificate Programs may not have to take the placement test. Please contact the Program’s Coordinator to confirm whether or not the placement test is required.

*New SAT exemptions are effective for 2017 entries into Camden County College. The College reserves the right to adjust future exemptions based on the recommendation of the New Jersey Council of Community Colleges.

Description of the Test

ACCUPLACER is an internet based, computer adaptive test, and consists of a timed 60 minute essay and un-timed multiple-choice sections: Next Gen Reading, Next Gen Quantitative Reasoning, Analysis, and Stats (QAS), and depending on QAS results either: Next Gen Arithmetic or Next Gen Adv Algebra and Functions (AAF).

Only those students who receive a high score on the QAS section will be prompted to take the AAF section. The multiple choice tests are adaptive, which means that the computer automatically determines which questions are presented based on responses to prior questions. Because the test is set up this way, every question must be answered in order, and changes to an answer must be done before moving to the next question. Questions cannot be left out or returned to later for the purposes of changing an answer. Since the multiple choice tests are un-timed, each question can be given as much thought as necessary before selecting an answer.

Test Format

ACCUPLACER presents one question at a time. Each page presents the question and several possible answer choices. The page may include additional information that is needed to answer the questions, such as a reading passage, a picture or a table of information. Either the mouse or the keyboard may be used to select an answer. Once an answer has been chosen and the "NEXT" button has been selected, a box will come up on the screen asking for confirmation of the selected answer. This provides the opportunity to cancel and go back and choose a different answer. To confirm, simply select the "OK" button. To cancel and go back to choose another answer, select the "CANCEL" button.

Guessing

If the answer is not immediately apparent or unknown, try to eliminate one or more of the choices and answer what appears to be the best choice.

Calculators and Dictionaries

There is an internal pop-up calculator that can be used on some questions, but not all. No personal or other online calculators can be used.

No personal or online dictionaries are permitted.

Accessibility Wizard

This feature can be used to help students with visual disabilities by increasing the font, and changing the background and cursor color and line spacing. Students can use this by clicking on the icon at the bottom left-hand corner of the screen.

Before the Test

In order to concentrate better, it's a good idea to get plenty of rest and eat before taking the test. Take the sample test before testing, and please bring a current photo ID to the Testing Center.

CCC Placement Test: Next Generation Reading, Writeplacer , Next Generation Math

Next Generation Reading - Assesses the test-taker's ability to derive meaning from a range of texts and to determine the meaning of words and phrases in short and extended contexts. Passages on the test cover a range of content areas, writing modes, and complexities. Both single and paired passages are included. Four broad knowledge and skills categories are assessed: Information and Ideas, Rhetoric, Synthesis, Vocabulary

Writeplacer Essay - The essay is timed at 60 minutes. It evaluates students' response to one of several topics that are randomly selected by the Accuplacer program. Essays are typed on the computer. The essay will be assessed on six dimensions: Purpose, focus, organization, structure, development, support, sentence variety and style, mechanical conventions and critical thinking.

Next Gen Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS) – Assesses the following knowledge and skills: rational numbers, ratio and proportional relationships, exponents, algebraic expressions, linear equations, linear applications and graphs, probability sets, descriptive statistics, geometry concepts.

Next Gen Arithmetic - Focuses on computation, order of operations, estimation and rounding, comparing and ordering values in different formats, and recognizing equivalent values across formats. The following knowledge and skills categories are assessed: whole number operations, fraction operations, decimal operations, percent; number comparisons and equivalents.

Next Gen Advanced Algebra and Functions (AAF) - Assesses the following knowledge and skills: linear equations, linear applications and graphs, factoring, quadratics, functions, radical and rational equations, polynomial equations; exponential and logarithmic equations, trigonometry.

*** Next Generation Writing** - (Only used in certain situations, please see Testing Center staff for more detail. Do not confuse with Writeplacer Essay) evaluates a test-taker's ability to revise and edit multi-paragraph text. Questions cover two broad knowledge and skills categories, each containing three subcategories:

Expression of Ideas: Development, Organization, Effective Language Use.

Standard English Conventions: Sentence Structure, Usage, Punctuation.