

# Placement and Proficiency (PNP) Updates

## 2023-2024

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Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning

# Topics to cover:

1. Changes to Written EPT
2. Changes in placement policies and testing
3. Changes in proficiency credit

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### PLACEMENT & PROFICIENCY TESTING

#### PLACEMENT TESTING

Placement exams determine what your knowledge and skills are in a subject so that we can then recommend an appropriate first course for you from the various options available at Illinois. Placement tests do not award academic credit (see "proficiency testing" below). All placement exams are made available to all incoming students. [Take only the ones you need to take.](#) If you never studied a particular subject, you don't need to take its placement test. To enroll in a subject that is completely new to you, you can simply register for its elementary-level course.

[Learn more about placement testing.](#)

#### PROFICIENCY TESTING

The purpose of any proficiency exam is to find out whether you have mastered the knowledge and the skills that are taught in a particular

# EPT CHANGES:

## Changes to Written EPT Written

### Changes to the Written EPT

- There are now five levels of placement to the Written EPT Exam, previously there were four
- Students who are level 5 are placed into either ESL 115 or RHET 105

Written Test Score	Placement Message
1	Must enroll in ESL 111 for Fall 2023; Supplemental tutoring is strongly recommended; Successful completion of the ESL 111-112 sequence fulfills the Composition I requirement.
2	Must enroll in ESL 111 for Fall 2023; Successful completion of the ESL 111-112 sequence fulfills the Composition I requirement.
3	Placed into ESL 115; Must enroll in Fall 2023 if UIN ends in an even number; Must enroll in Spring 2024 if UIN ends in an odd number; Successful completion fulfills the Composition I requirement.
4	Placed into either ESL 115 or RHET 105 (discuss with your advisor which course is appropriate for you); Must enroll in Fall 2023 if UIN ends in an even number; Must enroll in Spring 2024 if UIN ends in an odd number; ESL 111-112 or CMN 111-112 are other options. Successful completion of any of these fulfills the Composition 1 requirement.
5	Placed into either ESL 115 or RHET 105 (discuss with your advisor which course is appropriate for you); RHET 105 is likely the best fit. Must enroll in Fall 2023 if UIN ends in an even number; Must enroll in Spring 2024 if UIN ends in an odd number; ESL 111-112 or CMN 111-112 are other options but not recommended. Successful completion of any of these fulfills the Composition 1 requirement.

# Placement Changes

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- Molecular and Cellular Biology (MCB) Placement Exam

## New policies (highlighted):

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Test Score	Placement Message
0 - 13	Placed into MCB 150
14 - 20	Placed into MCB 250 This placement is a recommendation only if the student has credit for MCB 150. Email <a href="mailto:advising@mcb.illinois.edu">advising@mcb.illinois.edu</a> for specific enrollment advice.

# Placement Changes

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## New policies (highlighted):

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### German

Please see highlighted changes to placement messages for scores 70 - 96

Base Cutoff Scores		Placement Message
25	49	Placed into GER 102
50	69	Placed into GER 103
<b>70</b>	<b>79</b>	Placed into GER 104; If you do not already have credit for GER <b>103</b> or higher, you may take the German Proficiency Exam in August 2023 or January 2024 prior to enrolling in a German course.
<b>80</b>	<b>88</b>	Placed into GER 211; If you do not already have credit for GER <b>103</b> or higher, you may take the German Proficiency Exam in August 2023 or January 2024 prior to enrolling in a German course.
<b>89</b>	<b>96</b>	Placed into GER 212; If you do not already have credit for GER <b>103</b> or higher, you may take the German Proficiency Exam in August 2023 or January 2024 prior to enrolling in a German course.

# Placement Changes - Chinese

Listening Scores of 10 raised to 15 and Scores of 11 raised to 16. No change to Reading Scores. Placement scores merged where applicable – see highlighted Reading Score ranges.

Listening Score	Reading Score	Placement Message
0 - 15	0 - 10	Placed into CHIN 201
16 - 28	0 - 10	Placed into CHIN 241
0 - 15	11 - 30	Placed into CHIN 202
16 - 28	11 - 20	Placed into CHIN 242
16 - 28	21 - 30	Placed into CHIN 203
0 - 15	31 - 42	Placed into CHIN 203
16 - 28	31 - 42	Placed into CHIN 204
0 - 9	43 - 54	Placed into CHIN 203
10 - 15	43 - 54	Placed into CHIN 204
16 - 28	43 - 54	Placed into CHIN 305
0 - 9	55 - 90	Placed into CHIN 204

Listening Score	Reading Score	Placement Message
10 - 15	55 - 66	Placed into CHIN 305
16 - 28	55 - 66	Placed into CHIN 306
10 - 15	67 - 78	Placed into CHIN 306
16 - 28	67 - 78	Placed into CHIN 440
10 - 15	79 - 120	Placed into CHIN 440
16 - 28	79 - 110	Placed into CHIN 441. May enroll in CHIN 440 if you wish.
0 - 9	91 - 120	Placed into CHIN 305
16 - 28	111 - 120	Placed beyond CHIN 440 and 441. Consult with the EALC Director of Undergraduate Studies for course enrollment options.

# PROFICIENCY CREDIT CHANGES:

## IB Math: Application and Interpretation



Math:  
Application and  
Interpretation

- HL Level 4/5/6/7 receive Math 181, 124, Stat 100; **Math 112 removed**
- SL Level 4/5/6/7 receive Math 181, Stat 100; **Math 112 removed**

### New policies (highlighted):

Level	Score	Course Credited	Credit hours	Placement Message
HL	4, 5	MATH 181 MATH 124 STAT 100	3 3 3	Take the ALEKS PPL Math Placement Test.
HL	6, 7	MATH 181 MATH 124 STAT 100	3 3 3	Take the ALEKS PPL Math Placement Test.
SL	4	MATH 181 STAT 100	3 3	Take the ALEKS PPL Math Placement Test.
SL	5	MATH 181 STAT 100	3 3	Take the ALEKS PPL Math Placement Test.
SL	6, 7	MATH 181 STAT 100	3 3	Take the ALEKS PPL Math Placement Test

# PROFICIENCY CREDIT CHANGES:

## IB Chemistry

### Lab credit removed



## Chemistry

- HL 5, Chem 102; no lab credit
- HL 6/7, Chem 102 & 104; no lab credit
- SL 6/7, Chem 102; no lab credit

### New policies (highlighted):

Level	Score	Course Credited	Credit hours	Placement Message
HL	4	CHEM 1--	3	CHEM 101 or CHEM 102, depending on Chemistry Placement Test score
HL	5	CHEM 102	3	CHEM 104; Consult with your advisor to determine which Chemistry course you should enroll in
HL	6, 7	CHEM 102 CHEM 104	3 3	Consult with your advisor to determine which Chemistry course you should enroll in
SL	4, 5	CHEM 1 - -	3	CHEM 101 or CHEM 102, depending on Chemistry Placement Test score
SL	6, 7	CHEM 102	3	CHEM 104; Consult with your advisor to determine which Chemistry course you should enroll in



# HELPFUL INFORMATION

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## **EPT Test Dates for undergraduates:**

Check the dates at <https://linguistics.illinois.edu/languages/english-placement-test/ept-registration-information>

## **Helpful websites:**

<http://go.illinois.edu/pnp>

<http://go.illinois.edu/ept>

<https://citl.illinois.edu/citl-101/measurement-evaluation/placement-proficiency/info-for-academic-advisors>

## **Helpful email addresses:**

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