

ACCUPLACER TEST FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need an appointment to take the placement test?

Imperial Valley College administers the test on a walk-in basis. Appointments are not necessary.

What do I need to bring with me to the test?

You must bring a photo identification card. We cannot administer the test without your I.D. A driver's license, state identification, resident card, passport, Imperial Valley College student ID, or high school ID are all examples of acceptable picture ID's. You should also know your social security number and your Imperial Valley College student ID number. You can use either one on the test.

What should I NOT bring with me to the test?

Do not bring any calculators, dictionaries, food or drink. If you bring a cell phone, you will be asked to turn it off.

How should I prepare for the test?

Make sure you are rested, feel healthy and are not hungry.

We have provided some links on the website that you can access to help you prepare. Listed below is a link to sample questions compiled by the College Board.
<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/accuplacer/preparation-sample.html>

How long is the test?

The test is not timed, so work at your own pace and answer each question carefully. It generally takes from 1-2 hours to complete. However, you may take as long as necessary to complete your test.

When do I get my placement scores?

You will receive a printed copy of your placement scores immediately after completing the test.

What happens if I fail the test?

This test is for placement purposes only. It is not a pass/fail test.

If I don't like my placement on the Assessment Test, can I take it again?

In accordance with Matriculation regulations [Title V, Section 55521(a)(2)], the assessment test is only to be used for initial placement into courses. This means you can only take the test once. Any appeals must be made through the Matriculation Director who is located in the Assessment Center (Room 401).

I Just finished the Assessment. I have the placemet print-out in my hand. Now what do I do?

The next step in the matriculation process is to take the on-line Orientation (<http://orientation.imperial.edu>) and then make a counselling appointment at (760) 355-6543.

Do I have to take the test?

All matriculated students who will be taking English and math classes or need to meet certain prerequisites for science courses need to take the test.

Will other schools accept my placement results?

Community Colleges in California and some out of state colleges accept your placement results (please check with individual college).

How can I contact you?

Before calling or sending an e-mail. It's a good idea to see if your question is answered in the Frequently Asked Questions. The telephone numbers for the Assessment Center are:

- (760) 355-6450
- (760) 355-6465
- (760) 355-6447
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