

# Using ACT for Placement in English and Math

Placement in one's first college course in English is determined by the ACT sub-score in English (**not** the optional English-Writing sub score), which in the chart below is referred to as the **English ACT**.

English ACT	#Placement Level	Course	Special Notes
0 - 16	90	ENGL 090 Writing Workshop	Preparatory course; won't count toward graduation
17 - 24	101	ENGL 101 Freshman English Composition	
25 or higher	111	ENGL 111 Honors English	Student may opt to take ENGL 101 instead

Placement in one's first college course in Mathematics is determined by the ACT sub-score in Math, which in the chart below is referred to as the **Math ACT**.

Math ACT	#Placement Level	Course	Special Notes
0 - 16	0	MATH 010 Fundamentals of Algebra	Preparatory course; won't count toward graduation
17 - 20	1	MATH 118 Concepts of Mathematics <i>or</i> MATH 110 Intermediate Algebra	Choice depends on degree program requirements
21 - 23	2	MATH 120 Intro. College Mathematics I	
24 - 25	3	MATH 121 Intro. College Mathematics II <i>or</i> MATH 123 Finite Mathematics w/Appl.	Choice depends on degree program requirements
26 or higher	4	MATH 153 Calculus I <i>or</i> MATH 156 Calculus & Analytic Geo. I	Choice depends on degree program requirements

**# Placement Level:** in English, this number represents the last 2 or 3 digits of the actual ENGL course into which the student has placed. In Math, this number represents one of five levels into which a student may place. See the **Course** column in the charts above for full course number and title. These Placement Levels can be found on the Access Stout screen called "Admission and Placement Test Results" and the Datatel screen called "TSUM."

Students who have earned college credit in any of the courses listed in the tables above are ready to take the next course in sequence if their chosen degree program requires it, making their transfer credit the tool for placement. The Wisconsin Placement Tests in English and Math may be substituted for the ACT only in situations when new freshmen are not required to submit ACT test scores (i.e. non-resident of WI, non-traditional age), and for transfer students whose ACT is considered out-of-date.