What are placement assessments?

Placement assessments (tests) are a standardized measurement of skills. Great Falls College MSU accepts placement by ACT scores, SAT scores, or the Accuplacer NG (Next Gen)*.

*GFC MSU uses the Accuplacer NG (Next Gen) assessment. Classic Accuplacer scores are still accepted for three years from the student's test date.

Why does Great Falls College MSU require placement scores?

• Great Falls College MSU uses placement assessments (tests) in writing and math to check the academic skill levels of entering students. Then the college can place each student in classes at the right level.
• Placement scores and/or official college transcripts are a college admissions requirement. If you are a new student without college credits in Math and Writing, you are required to take the Accuplacer assessments.
• Additionally, some classes (such as Accounting, Biology, and Chemistry) require certain math or writing scores. Please consult the Academic Catalog for more information.

Steps to take:

1. Prepare for your assessment
   You will be most successful on your assessment if you prepare before your test date.
   • Log on to https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org for sample questions and a practice test.
   • See a list of other resources at http://students.gfcmsu.edu/testing/

2. Schedule your assessment
   • http://students.gfcmsu.edu/testing/
   • (406) 268-3711
   • etesting@gfcmsu.edu
   *At a distance? Contact the Testing Center for remote testing options

3. Pay for your assessment
   • In person
     o Student Accounts (in Student Central) accepts cash, check or credit/debit
       *Keep your payment receipt; you’ll need to present it at the Testing Center when you take your assessment.
     o Testing Center accepts credit/debit and you can pay on the day of your assessment
   • By phone-call (406) 771-4315 or (800) 446-2698

4. Report to the Testing Center located in room R274 (at your scheduled date and time). You will need to bring:
   • A photo ID matching the name used to schedule the assessment
   • Personal items (cell phone, purse, etc.) are not permitted in the testing area; you may secure in the free lockers provided.
   *If you paid in Student Accounts, you will need to bring your receipt for proof of payment

5. If you require accommodations for your assessment:
   • At least one week prior to your assessment, contact Kathy Meier, Director of Disability & Learning Support Services by phone (406) 771-4311 or e-mail Katherine.meier@gfcmsu.edu

Math Assessment
Time needed: approximately 1-1 ½ hours
Cost of assessment: $5.00

Writing & Reading Assessment (MUST take both)
Time needed: approximately 1 ½-2 hours
Cost of assessment: $20.00
What score do you need for writing and math?

Please use the tables below to see what score is required (as of most recent update July 2019).

### WRITING & READING PLACEMENT

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### MATH PLACEMENT

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