

# ACCUPLACER

## Placement Test

### What is it?

NEXT GENERATION ACCUPLACER is a placement test to help measure a student's skills in reading, writing and math.

The tests are:

- **Reading** – 20 multiple-choice questions  
The test measures your ability to derive meaning from a range of texts and to determine the meaning of words and phrases in short and extended contexts. Categories include Information & Ideas, Rhetoric, Synthesis and Vocabulary.
- **Writing** – 25 multiple-choice questions  
The test measures your ability to revise and edit multi-paragraph text for effective expression of ideas and Standard English conventions such as punctuation
- **Arithmetic** – 20 multiple-choice questions  
The test focuses on computation, order of operations, estimation, comparing values in different formats and recognizing equivalent values. 4-function calculator available for some questions.
- **Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS)** – 20 multiple-choice questions  
The test measures your ability to perform selected mathematical concepts focusing on computational fluency, applications and conceptual understanding. This includes Linear Applications & Graphs, Factoring, Functions, Polynomial Equations, Exponential & Logarithmic Equations and Trigonometry. 4-function and square root calculator available for some questions

Questions are computer-adaptive (a student's response to each question drives the difficulty level of the next question). The score range is 200 – 300. Final scores are based on the number of questions answered correctly and the difficulty level of the questions answered correctly.

### Location and Schedule:

#### Lawrenceville Campus

##### **Building 100/A, Room 409**

5150 Sugarloaf Parkway  
Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Register at:

[Registerblast.com/GTC](https://registerblast.com/GTC)

#### Alpharetta NF Campus

##### **Building A, Room 117**

2875 Old Milton Parkway  
Alpharetta, GA 30009

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## Summary:

- Next Generation ACCUPLACER tests are all multiple-choice
- There is no time limit on the tests
- It can be taken all at once or in parts
- An on-screen calculator is available for selected questions
- A student is allowed one retest per section and must wait 14 days from the original test date. The retest fee is \$25 per section.

## Length:

Tests are not timed but allow at least 2 ½ hours to complete the exam.

## Materials:

Current picture ID is required for admittance. Hand-held calculators are not permitted.

## How can I prepare for it?

Sample questions and sample essays can be found at:

<https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students/prepare-for-accuplacer/practice>

Please note: Students that are taking the ACCUPLACER exam for Admissions at Gwinnett Technical College must submit and pay the application fee before taking the test.

## Minimum scores for admission to associate's degree programs:

SAT		ACT		COMPASS		ACCUPLACER	
Reading	17	English	14	Reading	79	Reading	236
Writing and Language	17	Math	17	Writing	62	Writing	249
Math	21	Reading	16	Pre- Algebra	37	Arithmetic	229
				Intermediate Algebra	37	Quantitative Reasoning	245

## Minimum scores for admission to diploma or certificate programs:

SAT		ACT		COMPASS		ACCUPLACER	
Reading	16	English	13	Reading	70	Reading	224
Writing and Language	15	Math	14	Writing	38	Writing	236
Math	18	Reading	14	Algebra	37	Arithmetic	229