

Department of Mathematics Math Placement Program

New Math Placement Assessment (MAP) Rollout June 2022

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2022 - 2023 Academic Year

Registering for MATH Courses

Every undergraduate Math course has a prerequisite that must be satisfied before being allowed to register for the course. Prerequisites are stated in terms of

- i. a suitable score on either the Math Assessment for Prerequisites (MAP), a Mathematics Placement Test (MPT), or
- ii. earning a C or better in another Math course.

Prerequisite overrides are given when a student can document that the prerequisite will be satisfied before the class starts, for example, when waiting for transfer credits or AP exam scores to be recorded at UofSC. See the MAP website for more information about overrides, including a prerequisite override request form. Note that while this override will allow you to register for a Math course, you still have to document that you have met all prerequisites before classes begin.

Who will take the (old) Mathematics Placement Test (MPT)?

If you are an incoming freshman or transfer student registering for classes **before June 2, 2022**, you will take the (old) MPT. If you have already taken the MPT, your score is valid for one academic year; you do not need to take the new MAP if it is within that time period.

Do I need to take the new Math Placement Assessment (MAP)?

Look at the required courses for your degree and your prior Math courses. You will need to take the MAP after June 2, 2022:

- If your degree requires one or more Math courses and you do not have a C or better in a prerequisite course, then you must take the MAP.
- If your degree requires one or more Math courses and you do have a C or better in a prerequisite course, then you do not need to take the MAP.
- If you will not be taking any Math courses at UofSC, then **you probably do not need to take the MAP**. Consult your advisor for a definite answer.
- If you are not sure if you will be taking a Math course at UofSC, then you are strongly encouraged to take the MAP.
- If you need to take a Math course and there is any question whether your transfer credits will be posted to your UofSC record before your registration date, then you are strongly encouraged to take the MAP.

If you still are uncertain, take the MAP.

How do I receive credit for a UofSC Math course?

There are currently three ways:

- 1. Transfer credit from another institution.
- 2. AP/IB/CLEP scores
- 3. Take the course (and pass it!).

The Registrar's Office maintains detailed information about having prior work appear on your UofSC academic record. See registrar.sc.edu, then click on "Transfer Credits."

When and how do I take the MAP?

The MAP is available online in Blackboard, <u>blackboard.sc.edu</u>. You are encouraged to take the MAP at least a week prior to your orientation date. The test has three levels, and you have between 30 to 90 minutes to take the test depending on your ability to pass these levels. Level One is the only required level. Make sure your computer and Internet connection are reliable. If you do get disconnected, simply reconnect and continue your test.

Accessing the MAP in Blackboard

Access to the MAP is done through Blackboard and it is restricted to individuals with a valid UofSC network username and password. To find your username, and to reset the password, go to my.sc.edu, then click "Login and Password Help." For additional technical assistance, the Division of Information Technology's (DoIT) Service Desk (sc.edu/it) is the single point of contact for computer, technology and IT-related questions and support.

When and how do I find the results of the MAP?

Your score will be reported immediately after completing the MAP. It can take up to two business days before your score is posted to your academic record. Log into Self-Service Carolina at my.sc.edu to access your academic record.

Can I take the MAP if I already have an MPT score?

You can take the MAP if you have already taken one or both versions of the MPT, which are no longer offered. Please refer to the table to check for the minimum score to qualify for Math courses at UofSC.

Can I retake the MAP?

You can retake the MAP in a special session a week before the semester begins and running until the day before the last day to change a course. Before retaking the assessment, take the practice test and study the topics you missed. Your most recent score on the MAP test is used to determine your eligibility for taking a course. If you wish to retake the MAP, please contact us at assess@math.sc.edu.

What MATH courses does my MAP or MPT score qualify me to take?

The following table lists the *lowest* MAP (new test) scores, which replaces the two versions of MPT (old test), needed to register for the most common MATH courses at UofSC. Note that a C or better in another course can satisfy the prerequisite for some MATH courses. You only need to satisfy the requirement in one of the four columns in the following table. The scores can range from 0 to 310.

Math Course	Course Title	MAP score	MPT Algebra	MPT PreCalculus	C or better
1111	Intensive Basic College Mathematics	0 - 3	4 - 7	-	-
111	Basic College Mathematics	4	8	7	-
112	Trigonometry	42	14	-	111i
115	Precalculus Mathematics	27	-	7	111
122	Calculus for Business Administration and Social Sciences	42	14	19	111
141 with 151	Calculus I with Calculus Workshop I	142	-	19 -22	115
141	Calculus I	217	-	23	115
170	Finite Mathematics	42	14	19	111
174	Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science	142	-	19	115, 122, or 141
221	Basic Concepts of Elementary Mathematics I	42	14	19	111

Note: Math 116 is for students who withdraw from Math 141. Math 112 is not offered regularly at UofSC-Columbia. Math 151 is a corequisite course.

What if I want to take a Math course that is not in this table?

The prerequisites for all other Math courses do not involve the MAP. See the Undergraduate Bulletin (academicbulletins.sc.edu) for complete prerequisite information for all Math courses.

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Special Accommodations

Students needing additional time, or other accommodations, to complete the MAP should contact:

Student Disability Resource Center

Address: 1705 College Street, Close-Hipp, Suite 102, Columbia, SC 29208

Phone: (803) 777-6142 | Fax: (803) 777-6741 | Email: sadrc@mailbox.sc.edu

Website: SDRC (www.sc.edu/about/offices and divisions/student disability resource center/index.php)

Technical Support

The Division of Information Technology's (DoIT) information for students can be found at sc.edu/it. Phone: (803) 777-1800

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