

WRITING PLACEMENT TABLE (COMBINED) Fall 2020 - Spring 2021

COURSES	ACT English + Reading Total Combined Score (2 - 72)	SAT Redesigned Evidence Based Reading + Writing Total Combined Score (200 - 800)	ACCUPLACER Next Generation Writing + Reading Total Combined Score (400 - 600)	ASSET Form B2 Writing Skills + Form B2 Reading Skills Total Combined Score (46 - 107)	UAF Writing Sample for use with ASSET Form B2 Score (0 - 25)
SOATEST in BANNER	EACE	S11	AACS	ACRW	AWSP
WRTG F211X, WRTG F212X, WRTG F213X, WRTG F214X (1)	60 - 72	710 - 800	NA	NA	NA
WRTG F111X	36 - 59	480 - 700	530 - 600	82 - 107	19 - 25
WRTG F110	30 - 35	430 - 470	500 - 529	76 - 81	16 - 18
WRTG F090	26 - 29	390 - 420	470 - 499	70 - 75	12 - 15
WRTG F080	18 - 25	330 - 380	400 - 469	66 - 69	9 - 11
Adult Basic Education (2)	2 - 17	200 - 320	N/A	46 - 65	0 - 8



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*see note below for COVID-19 WRTG F111X placement adjustments

(1) Students with ACT or SAT scores that place them in WRTG F211X, F212X, F213X, or F214X may receive local advanced placement credit for WRTG F111X upon completion of WRTG F211X, F212X, F213X, or F214X with a grade of C or better. To receive this credit, students must submit the Application for WRTG F111X Credit form to the Office of the Registrar.

(2) For an Adult Basic Education program listing, go to www.jobs.alaska.gov/abe/

➤ WRTG F111X-plus pairs a section of WRTG F111X with WRTG F068. Qualifying students are those who have a combined ACCUPLACER Next Generation score between 490-529 and are referred by their academic advisor to Jennifer Tilbury <jtilbury@alaska.edu> at UAF Community & Technical College or the appropriate WRTG F111X-plus instructor of record to interview for the program. WRTG F068 is a writing support group tutorial class, recommended based on the student's needs for writing assistance along with any WRTG course listed in the table. Students may take up to three credits of WRTG F068 per semester for as many semesters as needed.

➤ If a student's standardized test scores are below the minimums in the table but their high school cumulative GPA is 3.0 or higher, the student may be given permission to enroll in WRTG F111X by the Director of University Writing or rural campus English/Arts & Letters faculty.

➤ WRTG F111X placement is required for all Natural Science GER courses.

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Writing & Reading

Placement into writing courses requires either prerequisite course credit or a standardized placement test that measures academic skills such as critical thinking and reading. The score from any of the tests (see table above) places the student in the appropriate writing or reading class. A writing sample, given on the first day of class, may modify this placement. Degree or certificate students placed in writing or reading courses below the 100-level should register for them during their first semester. These courses help students gain competencies necessary to succeed in college-level courses.

If the student's standardized test scores are below the minimums in the placement table and if the student's high school cumulative GPA is 3.0 or higher, the student may be given permission to enroll in WRTG F111X by the Director of University Writing or rural campus English/Arts & Letters faculty.

On the basis of test scores, students may be required to take specific lower-level writing courses that are designed to help students gain competencies necessary for success in college-level courses.

Pointers

Academic advisors should check test scores and course prerequisite dates on BANNER or UAOnline and instruct students to retest if their Writing/Reading scores or prerequisites are more than two years old. In cases where a student has multiple placement test scores, placement recommendations will be made using the test scores that provide the highest placement. Students, in consultation with their academic advisor or course instructor, may opt to take a course lower than their placement.

Range of possible scores

ACT English 1 – 36

ACCUPLACER NEXT GENERATION Writing 200 – 300

ASSET Writing Skills 23 - 54

ACT Reading 1 - 36

ACCUPLACER NEXT GENERATION Reading 200 - 300

ASSET Reading Skills 23 – 53

SAT Evidence Based Reading and Writing 200 - 800

UAF Writing Sample for ASSET 0 - 25

www.uaf.edu/files/uafgov/13-14_FS-195_Motion-to-amend-English-Placement-Policy-signed.pdf

Many UAF courses require placement. All students planning to take courses with specific placement requirements must meet those requirements before registering for those courses. Specific writing and reading placement requirements are listed in the table.

Placement Tests

Test results are required for first-time degree or certificate students, transfer students with fewer than 30 transfer credits, or non-degree seeking students planning to take 100-level writing, natural sciences and some general education courses. Results from the ACT or SAT, for associate degree or certificate students, the ACCUPLACER or ASSET test must be on file with the Office of Admissions before students can register for classes requiring Writing or Math placement. A student's ability to register for those courses will be blocked if the student has not submitted required test scores.

➤ Writing placement exams should be taken within TWO calendar years before the start of a course or any required prerequisite course must have been completed within TWO calendar years of their enrollment.

Course Prerequisites

Course prerequisites indicate what previous preparation is needed to enroll in a course. An instructor has the right to drop any student from a course if they do not meet the test score requirements or have not received a grade of C- or better in all prerequisite courses. An instructor also has the right to waive a course prerequisite if the instructor documents that the student possesses the background required to succeed in the class. Students who take a course at a higher level than a corresponding prerequisite course required for a degree program are not exempt from taking that required course.

*COVID-19 Placement Adjustments:

On 10/28/20 Faculty Senate passed a motion to extend the temporary writing placement guidelines to substitute for Accuplacer or SAT/ACT scores for placement into WRTG 111X through Spring and Summer 2021. Students with a cumulative High School GPA of 3.0 or higher, within the past two years or successful GED completion within past 12 months can be placed in WRTG F111X by advisors. Students not meeting either of these requirements must complete the internal placement through the google form: <https://sites.google.com/alaska.edu/wrtg-placement/home> Students & advisors will be notified of placement after the writing sample has been reviewed by the Writing Placement Task Force.