



ALEKS Math Placement Test Help

Why placement test?

UAF's mandatory course placement policy requires students to have ALEKS, ACT, SAT, ACCUPLACER, or ASSET test scores or have the course prerequisite before registering for English, reading (Developmental Studies), Math/Statistics, Core Natural Sciences, Core Perspectives on the Human Condition, and Developmental English and Mathematics courses.

Who is required to take ALEKS?

Anyone who is planning on taking a UAF course that requires mathematics placement and does not have current (within the last two years) MATH credit from a course at the appropriate level.

Before you begin you must:

- Be an enrolled or admitted undergraduate student at UAF. (If you are a running start student, please contact the Mathematics Department about alternate access to the UAF Math Placement Test.)
 - To apply to UAF go to <http://uaonline.alaska.edu>; select the link "Apply for Admission".
 - Application fee: Free for non-degree seeking, \$40 Certificate and Associate degrees, \$50 Bachelor's.
 - Applications may take up to three days to process.
- Have an active student account (UAF student ID number and password)
 - If you don't know your student account number call KuC at 1-800-478-5822 or 907-543-4500.
 - If you forgot your student account number go to ELMO at <https://elmo.alaska.edu>
 - To activate a new account or reset your password, go to ELMO at <https://elmo.alaska.edu> (This is the same password you would use to log into Blackboard or Webmail).
- Have at least two hours to complete the assessment.

How to take ALEKS

To access ALEKS go to <http://go.alaska.edu/mathplacement> No proctor needed.

Cost

ALEKS is FREE. You will get up to a full year of access including initial UAF Math Placement Test, six-week on-line preparation and learning module and up to four re-tests.

ALEKS Customer Support

If you have trouble getting past the UA Login or you have trouble getting the placement test to load on your computer, the UAF Office of Information Technology has a webpage to help: <http://www.alaska.edu/oit/new-to-ua/aleks-login-support/>

Phone: (714) 619-7090

Email: <http://support.aleks.com>

Website: <http://www.aleks.com/faqs/technical>

ALEKS General Instructions

- At the beginning of the UAF Math Placement Test, you will go through a brief tutorial about the system and interface. You will be shown how to enter different types of answers, how to use the ALEKS calculator, and how to graph something by hand.
- Do not use a textbook or calculator - the assessment has a built-in calculator which is available on certain questions.
- Enter your answers carefully. ***Once you submit your response to a question, you cannot return to that question to change the answer.***
- Select "I don't know" only if you have no idea how to work a problem. If you select "I don't know" repeatedly, it will lower your score on the assessment.
- Solve all problems on the UAF Math Placement Test without assistance. Do not use any books or online resources, or ask for assistance from any other person. As an admitted student, you are a full member of the University of Alaska academic community and subject to the responsibilities of that community. If you violate University regulations, you are open to disciplinary action by the University.
- If your computer locks up or freezes during the middle of the assessment, refresh the page in your browser. If that does not work, close your browser and log back in. The work you have already submitted will be saved and the assessment will pick up at the point you left off.
- Once you begin the placement test you must complete it within 72 hours or you will have to start over.