Placement Testing for Transfer Students

The University of Wisconsin Placement Tests are used by most UW System schools. If you attended/are attending/had planned to attend another UW System school, you may have already taken these tests.

Scores for the University of Wisconsin Placement Tests are stored in a single database maintained by the University of Wisconsin Center for Placement Testing at UW-Madison. If you have taken the tests within the past two years, we can add these scores to your academic record for UW-La Crosse.

In order to do this, please provide your name, date of birth, and the approximate test date you took the exams, to the testing coordinator in the Counseling & Testing office:

C. Criss Gilbert, Coordinator of Testing
Counseling & Testing Center, UW-La Crosse
cgilbert@uwlaux.edu or (608) 785-8074

Mathematics Placement

Completion of, or concurrent enrollment in, coursework equivalent to any of the following UW-L courses will satisfy course prerequisites and allow you to enroll in further Mathematics courses: MTH 150 (College Algebra), MTH 151 (Pre-Calculus), MTH 175 (Applied Calculus), or MTH 207 (Calculus I).

If your course transfer evaluation does not grant credit for any of the above courses, UW-L will need your UW Mathematics Placement Test scores to determine your placement into the appropriate UW-L mathematics course. If UW-L does not have your scores on file, you will not be allowed to register for any mathematics course.

If you have any additional questions concerning the University of Wisconsin Placement Test for mathematics or the requirement of the placement test, please contact the Counseling & Testing Center or the Mathematics Department.

Dr. Karl Kattchee
Department of Mathematics, UW-La Crosse
kkattchee@uwlaux.edu

English Placement

Students who do not have placement scores on file at UW-La Crosse will only be allowed to register for ENG 050 (Fundamentals of Composition), unless you have completed (or are currently completing) the equivalent of our College Writing I (ENG 110).

If your course transfer evaluation does not grant credit for either of the above courses, UW-L will need your UW English Placement Test Score to determine placement into the appropriate UW-L English course. If UW-L does not have your scores on file, you may be restricted to enrollment in ENG 050 (Fundamentals of Composition).

If you have any additional questions concerning the Wisconsin Regional Placement Test for English or the requirement of the placement exam, please contact the Counseling & Testing Center or the Freshman Writing Program Coordinator.

Dr. Darci Thoune
Department of English, UW-La Crosse
dthoune@uwlaux.edu or (608) 785-6921

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Spanish Placement
The Department of Modern Languages requires that all new transfer students who are interested in continuing their Spanish studies at UW-La Crosse must take the University of Wisconsin Placement Test.

If you have any questions, please contact the Spanish Placement Coordinator, Dr. Jorge Aguilar-Sanchez at jaguilar-sanchez@uwlax.edu

Eligibility to enroll in UW-L Spanish courses is determined by scores on the University of Wisconsin Placement Test for Spanish.

If you have any additional questions concerning the Wisconsin Placement Test for Spanish or the requirement of the placement test, please contact the Counseling & Testing Center or the Spanish Placement Coordinator:

Dr. Jorge Aguilar-Sanchez  
Department of Modern Languages, UW-La Crosse  
jaguilar-sanchez@uwlax.edu or (608) 785-8312

Placement Testing Options

OPTION 1: LOCAL EXAM - CURRENTLY ENROLLED OR ADMITTED UW-L STUDENTS ONLY
PLEASE NOTE that a photo ID is required to take any exam through the UW-L Test Center.  
Placement Testing is in room 1400 or 1309 Centennial Hall, look for the signs  
Math, English, Foreign Language exams in Spanish, French & German are available.
Register at: www.registerblast.com/uwlax  
*Monday, January 26, 2015  
- Math – 4:00 PM  
- English – 6:00 PM  
- Foreign Language – 8:00 PM  
*Test Scores generally take 7–10 days to appear in your WINGS record

OPTION 2: SPRING REGIONAL PLACEMENT PROGRAM
Register at: http://www.testing.wisc.edu/centerpages/regionaltesting.html  
DATES: *Saturdays, March through July, 2015  
PLACE: 26 UW System Campuses across the state, plus Chicago and Minneapolis  
Dates vary by location; website goes live February 1, 2015  
- Math – 8:00 AM  
- English – 10:10 AM  
- Foreign Language – 11:50 AM  
*Test Scores generally take from 7 – ten days to appear in your WINGS record

OPTION 3: INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS FOR PLACEMENT TESTING, AT YOUR CONVENIENCE
Register at: www.registerblast.com/uwlax  
By appointment, Monday – Friday, at 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, & 2:00 PM  
2106 Centennial Hall  
There is an extra cost of $33.50 associated with an individual appointment.  
This option includes immediate hand scoring and entry of scores into your WINGS record.  
Register on www.registerblast.com/uwlax and pay the fee for “Proctored Correspondence Exam (Paper/Pencil)”

RETYING THE UW PLACEMENT EXAMS
English and Modern Languages do not allow re-testing.  
The rules on retaking the UW Math Placement test vary from campus to campus in the UW system.  
Some do not allow any re-testing, some require written permission from the Department.  
Here at UWL, the rules are as follows:  
1) You may repeat the UW Math Placement Test once  
2) You must take it on the UW La Crosse campus  
3) You must wait 30 days between your initial exam and any retest  
4) You must take an alternate form of the exam  
5) The most recent scores count