Frequently asked questions about the Placement Test

Q: Who is exempted from sitting for the placement test?
A: Students may be exempt from the placement test if any one of the following criterions applies:

- College Graduate
- College credit in English and/or Math
- 62 years of age or older.
- Attended Capital Community College (Greater Hartford Community College or Hartford State Technical College) prior 1988
- Have taken the Accuplacer before to at another school.
- Have taken and have your SAT scores

Q: When is the Placement Test given?
A: The Placement Test schedule changes each semester. You can find the Placement Test schedule on Capital’s website at www.ccc.commnet.edu. Click on “How to become a student” then select “Take a placement test” to retrieve testing information.

Q: Where is the Placement Test given and how is the Placement Test set up?
A: The Placement Test is given at Capital Community College on the second floor in room 219 and 220. The Accuplacer is administered electronically; each participant will be seated at a computer for the duration of the test.

Q: Is there a fee to take the Placement Test?
A: No
Q: Do I need to make an appointment for the Placement Test?
A: No. The Placement Test is administered on a first come first serve basis. (See question number one for information on the placement testing times and days). It is best to show up at least a half hour prior to the listed time stated for the placement test.

Q: How long is the placement test?
A: The Placement Test is untimed and usually takes an average of 1 ½ to 3 hours to complete. The test is challenging and should not be rushed. Seating is limited and allocated on a first come first serve basis. You should set aside approximately three hours to take the test. [As peak times may require a longer wait].

It is probably not a good idea to attempt the test during your lunch break as that may not be enough time.

Q: What do I need to do prior to taking the placement test?
A: Before you come to take the placement test you should do the following:

- Apply for admission to the college and pay the 20 dollar application fee and obtain your Banner ID number.
- Apply for financial aid at least two weeks prior to sitting for the test.
- You should have seen a sample copy of the Accuplacer practice questions and studied prior to sitting for the test.

Q: What are the requirements for entrance to the placement test?
A: Students are required to have their banner number (also known as the Student ID or Net ID. This number is given upon college acceptance) and Picture ID: (preferably State Drivers license, State ID, High School ID, and College ID)

Q: When will I know my results?
A: Results are available upon completion of the test. Please hold on to your test results because you may need them for future reference.
**Q: What types of questions are on the placement test?**

A: The Placement test consists of the following sections for English: Essay, Reading Comprehension, and Sentence skills. For Math: Arithmetic, Elementary Algebra, and College Level Math.

**Q: How can I study for the placement test?**

A: You can study by doing a practice test online at Capital’s website. [www.ccc.commnet.edu](http://www.ccc.commnet.edu). You can study by using Key Train (an educational internet based program), a G.E.D. Book “Algebra for Dummies,” “Algebra Made Easy,” and “Algebra Made Simple”

**Q: Where can I locate these resources?**

A: a.) You can locate the practice online questions on the schools website.

Steps to retrieve the practice placement test online:

- First-go to the Capital website @ [www.ccc.commnet.edu](http://www.ccc.commnet.edu).
- Second- click on “How to become a student.”
- Third- once it takes you to the next page you click on “Take a placement test.”
- Fourth-once you are on the next page click on “more about placement test.”
- Last- scrolls down to the bottom of the screen and click on “about the Accuplacer placement exam.”
- You can also Google: Accuplacer online sample questions or algebraic review questions, etc.

b.) Key Train:

You can access the Key Train internet based program through Capital Community College on the 4th floor in the learning center. Ask for David Platt, a tutor who will set you up with a Key train account and train you on how to use the program.
c.) You can locate the algebra books and other resources at:

- The Public Library
- Capital Community College
- Borders
- Barns and Noble
- B. Daltons or book section of a large store
- Amazon.com

Q: How many times can I take the placement test?

A: Retakes are granted by permission