Testing Center – Hours of Operation

Mondays: 9:00am – 5:00pm (last test must begin by 3:00pm)
Tuesdays: 9:00am – 7:30pm (last test must begin by 6:00pm)
Wednesdays: 9:00am – 7:30pm (last test must begin by 6:00pm)
Thursdays: 9:00am – 5:00pm (last test must begin by 3:00pm)
Fridays: 9:00am – 5:00pm (last test must begin by 3:00pm)

*Appointments are highly recommended. Walk-in testing is based on space availability, long wait times may occur.*
Visit www.sunydutchess.edu/testing to schedule an appointment.

Testing schedule valid January 2-May 31, 2019. Open Saturday, 1/12 9:00 am-12:00 pm. If the College is closed due to inclement weather, testing is also cancelled. The Testing Center will be closed 1/1, 1/21, 2/18, 2/19, 5/27 & 5/31.

LOCATION: Orcutt Student Services Center, Room 104 (SSC 104)

* Testing is offered year round; schedules vary from semester to semester and hours are subject to change. Visit www.sunydutchess.edu/testing for most current schedule and more information.

Students planning to test, advise, and register on the same day should arrive at the start of testing. Visit www.sunydutchess.edu/act for advising information and hours.

Select dates for evening and Saturday placement testing are available at DCC South in Wappingers Falls. Call 845-790-3610 for an appointment and directions.

*Placement Tests Offered:
  o Sentence Skills/Writing, Reading, Math, English Course Placement Appeal, Spanish & Science.

*Appointments Required for the Following Tests:
  o Placement tests requiring usage of approved testing accommodations – Call 845-431-8090 to schedule.
  o Placement testing at DCC South (Wappingers Falls) – Call 845-790-3610 for more information.
  o High school juniors testing for concurrent enrollment – Call 845-431-8090 to schedule.
  o Ability to Benefit (ATB) testing – Call 845-431-8090 to schedule.

*To Prepare for Your Test: Review sample questions at www.sunydutchess.edu/testing.

*Reminders for Your Testing Day:
  o Pick up your pink Placement Testing Referral Form in Admissions Office (SSC101) or at the Welcome Desk on the second floor.
  o Valid picture ID is required.

Testing Accommodations

Extended Time: Students needing extended time for testing may take the ACCUPLACER test without prior authorization from the Office of Accommodative Services (OAS).

All Other Accommodations: All accommodations besides extended time MUST be approved by OAS prior to scheduling placement tests with the Office of Academic Service and Testing. Calculator use may constitute a fundamental alteration of the test and will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

  • DCC students: Contact OAS at 845-431-8055 for information regarding documentation requirements needed to establish accommodations. Students will be notified in writing of approved accommodations.
  • High School Students testing at their high school: The high school staff must notify DCC testing staff of accommodations needed at least 72 hours prior to testing. (FYI: Testing at the high school is limited to concurrent enrollment testing.)
  • Accommodations are not retroactive. Students who choose to take the placement test without accommodations may not re-take the placement test with accommodations.
Information for Students

To ensure academic success in college, new students are required to participate in a mandatory placement-testing program. New students will take the ACCUPLACER test, a computerized test that assesses skills in English, reading and mathematics. ACCUPLACER is untimed, with most students finishing the full test within 2 hours. Some students, both new and continuing, may need to take individual tests based on course/curriculum requirements. Individual tests range from 30 to 75 minutes in length.

Familiarize yourself with the test by downloading the Official FREE ACCUPLACER Study App and reviewing the ACCUPLACER sample questions located at: accuplacer.collegeboard.org.

FYI: DCC currently uses Classic ACCUPLACER, not Next Generation ACCUPLACER. DCC does not administer WritePlacer at this time.

For information about DCC placement testing, sample test questions, and the current testing schedule, visit our website at: www.suny dutchess.edu/testing

How Are Your Scores Used?

Placement test scores determine whether you will need to enroll in college prep courses (e.g. ENG091, ENG092, REA091/100, BIO030, etc.) or college level courses (ENG101, MAT110, MAT118, etc.). Advisors use placement testing results, as well as high school transcripts, to assist in the selection of appropriate courses, so it is important that you take the test seriously.

Approach Your Test Seriously. It Determines Your Course Placement!

Come to your test healthy and well rested!

DCC Re-testing Policy

Students may re-test only if approved by the Director of Academic Services and Testing or his/her designee or after completing a significant and approved academic intervention. These interventions include, but are not limited to:

- SmartStart
- Reclaim My Math
- Refresh
- Lapse of time (one year)