Southwestern Community College Placement Guidelines for Developmental English and Math

Methods to be used for Accuplacer test scores prior to NC_DAP Testing

Please review STAC in Colleague first to accurately determine a student's placement into English and/or Math Courses. If you have a question about the scores a student earned on the placement tests then review TSUM in Colleague.

Students may have the new NC_DAP diagnostic test scores and/or the previous version of Accuplacer test scores in TSUM. NC_DAP scores are valid for five (5) calendar years. All other Accuplacer scores are valid for three (3) calendar years. Please review placement information below if test scores are prior to NC_DAP testing.

English Placement

Reading Comprehension + Sentence Skills Score = DRE Placement Scores: 40-71 = Educational Opportunities Scores: 72-91 = DRE 096 (Equivalent to ENG-085) Scores: 92-128 = DRE 097 Scores: 129-165 = DRE 098 (Equivalent to both RED-090 and ENG-090 or ENG-095) *Do not confuse this matrix with the composite scoring for NC_DAP DRE placement.

*Students must complete all developmental coursework to be eligible for ENG-111

Math Placement

Old MAT 060 = New DMA 010,020,030 Old MAT 070 = New DMA 040,050 Old MAT 080 = New DMA 060,070,080

*NC_DAP diagnostic test scores correlate to the modules that are needed. A score of a 7 or above is considered to be successful in each individual DMA placement test.

*When registering a student remember to reference the required curriculum math course and the math modules needed to meet prerequisites. For instance, MAT-110 requires DMA-010,020 and 030 or old MAT-060.

Note: Students who have an NC or a CC for a DMA or for MAT-060, 070, or 080, should proceed to the next module or subsequent curriculum course in their program and ensure prerequisites are satisfied for the required curriculum math course.

Please contact Jay Sain at 339-4332 if you have any questions in regards to these conversion methods.