CHEMISTRY PLACEMENT ASSESSMENT

1. Who needs to take the Chemistry Placement Assessment?

If your major is listed below, you need to take the Chemistry Placement Assessment no later than July 1, 2022 in order to be placed into the appropriate chemistry course for fall 2022. If you are planning to enroll in summer session 1 or 2, to stay on track for graduation, you should take the assessment no later than June 20, 2022.

- Biology
- Chemical Physics
- Chemistry
- Engineering – Aerospace, Civil, Construction, Environmental and Mechanical
- Environmental Sciences
- Geological Sciences
- Kinesiology – pre-physical therapy
- Microbiology
- Physical Science
- Physics

SDSU recommends that students in the above majors enroll in Chemistry 200 (General Chemistry) or Chemistry 202 (General Chemistry for Engineers) during their first semester at SDSU. You will not be able to register for Chemistry 200 or 202 without the appropriate score on the Chemistry Placement Assessment.

2. How Do I Register to Take the Chemistry Placement Assessment?

For details and to register for the Chemistry Placement Assessment go to https://www.chemistry.sdsu.edu/courses/CHEM200/200_Placement_exam.php

You can only take the Chemistry Placement Assessment one time. After reviewing the Chemistry Placement Assessment website, if you have further questions, please email Theresa Carlson at tcarlson@sdsu.edu

3. What if I have Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) Credit for Chemistry?

If you received a score of 3, 4 or 5 on the AP Chemistry Exam or a score of 5-7 on the IB Chemistry Exam, you do not need to take the Chemistry Placement Assessment.

You must request that your AP scores and/or IB transcripts be sent to SDSU’s Office of the Registrar. Please ensure your scores are received by the SDSU Office of the Registrar prior to your attendance at New Student Orientation in July.

Passing a high school chemistry class, even an AP or IB class, are not a substitute for the Chemistry Placement Assessment.
4. How Do I Request Accommodations?

Students requesting accommodations for the Chemistry Department Placement Assessment should have their accommodations approved by the SDSU Student Ability Success Center (SASC). SASC information can be found here. When you register to take the Chemistry Placement Assessment, contact Theresa Carlson at tcarlson@sdsu.edu to inform her of your accommodations.

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