

San Diego State University
Testing Services
Frequently Asked Questions
(updated March 30, 2021)

- 1. I need to take a campus placement exam to determine the appropriate course(s) I need to take in fall 2021, when and where can I take the exam?**
(This includes the California Government Exam, Grammar Spelling Punctuation Exam, Mathematics Placement Assessment, Chemistry Placement Assessment, Liberal Studies Mathematics Placement Assessment, Spanish Language Proficiency Test, and Japanese Language Proficiency Test)

Please review the Testing Services website (<http://testing.sdsu.edu>) for the most up-to-date information on each campus placement exam:

- [California Government Exam](#)
- [Chemistry Department Placement Exam](#)
- [Grammar Spelling Punctuation Exam](#)
- [Japanese Language Proficiency Test](#)
- [Liberal Studies Mathematics Assessment](#)
- [Mathematics Placement Assessment](#)
- [Spanish Language Proficiency Test](#)

For questions or concerns about registration requirements, please contact your major department advisor and/or email the Academic Advising Center at sdsu_advising@sdsu.edu or visit the Academic Advising Center website at advising.sdsu.edu

- 2. I am a fall 2021 transfer student. Which exams should I take before orientation?**

The need to take campus placement exams is based on your major and the courses you will be taking in fall 2021. You can review the information on the Testing Services website (testing.sdsu.edu). Click on the [View Transfer Details](#) grey button at the bottom of the homepage to view information about each exam.

- 3. I am a fall 2021 freshman student. Which exams should I take before orientation?**

The need to take campus placement exams is based on your major and the courses you will be taking in fall 2021. You can review the information on the Testing Services website (testing.sdsu.edu). Click on the View Freshmen Details grey button at the bottom of the homepage. Then click on the

hyperlinks for [Details for Chem](#) and [Details for Math Placement](#) to review the information for each exam.

4. When do I have to take these exams?

Most campus placement exams are required in order to complete a prerequisite to register for a course or clear a major requirement. For this reason, it is recommended you take your campus placement exams before your orientation date, as you will be registering for course during orientation.

5. Can I schedule to take a campus placement exam in person?

Due to COVID-19, SDSU is not currently offering any SDSU campus placement exams in person. [MathLS](#) and [Cal Govt](#) are offered online through SDSU Testing Services. [Chemistry](#), [MathP](#) and [GSP](#) are offered online through their respective departments. Refer to the Testing Services website for details on each exam.

6. When will testing resume in person at SDSU Testing Services?

San Diego State University's primary commitment is to the safety, health and wellbeing of all campus community members including students, staff, faculty and visitors. SDSU is closely following the COVID-19 guidelines set forth by national, state and local public health and government officials as well as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. All in-person testing has been suspended until further notice. SDSU continues to monitor the evolving situation around COVID-19 and will provide updates as soon as they become available.

Check the Testing Services website frequently for updates.
<http://testing.sdsu.edu>