San Diego State University
Testing Services
Frequently Asked Questions
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1. I have questions about the Writing Placement Exam (WPA)?
   Click here to view the WPA FAQs website

   We do not currently have any updated information regarding students who are completing 60 units in the summer or fall 2020.

2. I need to take a campus placement exam to determine the appropriate course(s) I need to take in fall 2020, when and where can I take the exam? (This includes the California Government Exam, Grammar Spelling Punctuation Exam, Mathematics Placement Assessment, Chemistry Department Placement Exam, Liberal Studies Mathematics 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

3. I am a Fall 2020 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 2020. You can review that 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.

4. I am a Fall 2020 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 2020. You can review that 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.

5. 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.

6. Can I schedule to take a campus placement exam remotely?

Due to COVID-19, SDSU is not currently offering any SDSU campus placement exams, remotely. 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.

7. Will I be issued a refund for a campus placement exam that was cancelled?

- If the test for which you registered has been cancelled, a refund is in process through Student Account Services. Due to the high number of refunds currently being processed, the refund can take 6-10 weeks to process.

- If you were registered for the Cal Govt Exam and you are an August 2020 or December 2020 graduate your test date will be transferred. Please send an email to staar@sdsu.edu and a SDSU Testing Services staff will work with you to move your scheduled exam to a new test date.

- If you were registered to take the Math Liberal Studies your test date will be transferred. Please send an email to staar@sdsu.edu and a SDSU Testing Services staff will work with you to move your scheduled exam to a new test date.

8. I was scheduled to take an exam at SDSU Testing Services for one of the following test agencies. What do I do? Will my deadline be extended? (ATI, CLEP, Comira, DSST, ETS (GRE/TOEFL/PRAXIS/GACE), ISO, Kryterion, Prov, PSI/PAN, Scantron)
Please contact your respective test agency for further instructions regarding your scheduled test, deadlines and extensions. Testing Services will not have access to this information. We have notified all test agencies that all exams scheduled in SDSU Testing Services and the Computer Based Test Center are cancelled until further notice. If you have questions regarding deadlines and extensions for testing, please contact the test agency.

SDSU is offering the TEAS exam online. To register, go to atitesting.com and create an account to access the registration for TEAS.

9. When will testing resume in SDSU Testing Services?

SDSU continues to monitor the evolving situation around COVID-19 and follow the guidance of our national, state and local government officials as well as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. At this time, in-person testing has been suspended until further notice.

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