Math Placement

To determine which math courses your major requires, see **https://hc.edu/university-catalog/**.

You will need to take the ALEKS math placement assessment unless you meet one of the following criteria:

1. You have college math credit (transfer, dual, AP, or IB credit) for the first math course required by your major or for its prerequisites.
2. Your major requires MATH 1305, <u>and</u> you have an SAT math score of 530 or higher or an ACT math score of 22 or higher.
3. Your major allows PHIL 1305 to satisfy the Liberal Arts Core Curriculum (LACC) math requirement.

The ALEKS math placement program is designed to help you succeed by making sure you're ready for the math course you need (or want). <u>Don't worry about your score!</u> Just do your best **without getting outside help** (other people, websites, notes, books, etc.).

If you don't earn the score needed for the course you want, **you can use the ALEKS Prep and Learning Module to learn (or brush up on) the skills needed for success and then retake the assessment**. The ALEKS Prep and Learning Module is smart, adaptive, and efficient. It figures out what you already know and has you only spend time on things you need to work on. You can work in it for up to 6 months, and you can take the ALEKS assessment up to five times over a one-year period.

You can take the placement assessment and work in the Prep and Learning Module anywhere. The ALEKS program will walk you through installing the Respondus Lockdown Browser on your device. If you're a College of Science and Engineering (COSE) major, ALEKS will also have you install Respondus Monitor, so you'll need to use a computer with a webcam that is running Windows, mac OS, or iOS (Chromebooks won't work).

<u>Taking Your First ALEKS Assessment:</u>

a. Log in to HuskyNet at **My.HC.edu**.Your User ID is your HC.edu e-mail address. Your default password is your birthday (MMDDYY) + capitalized letter of last name + (Husky). You'll then be prompted to change your password. Enter your default password as the old password, and create a new one. (More information on **Accessing Student Systems**.)
b. Go to the Student portal and click the link for Math Placement for (ALEKS).
c. Start the assessment by clicking the test link and completing the registration process. You will have 3 hours to complete the assessment. You must complete it in one sitting, so don't log out once you start!

Interpreting your Results:

You will **not** earn course credit based on your ALEKS score—it will only be used for placement. Your score will show up in HuskyNet the morning after you take the exam, and you may enroll in any course for which you qualify for up to one year after you earn the required score.

Students who need MATH 1305	
ALEKS Score	**Course Eligibility**
0-29	MATH 1302
30 or higher	MATH 1305

Students who need MATH 1313 or higher	
ALEKS Score	**Course Eligibility**
0-34	MATH 1302[1]
35-50	MATH 1313/MATH 1213 combo[2]
51-60	MATH 1313
61-75	MATH 1434
76-100	MATH 1451

Notes:
[1]. Students who successfully complete MATH 1302 become eligible to enroll in MATH 1313. They do not need to take MATH 1213 (a corequisite support course).
[2]. Students in the 35-50 score range have two options. They may either take MATH 1313 and MATH 1213 concurrently or take MATH 1302 followed by MATH 1313 in a subsequent semester.

Retaking the ALEKS Assessment:

You can access your ALEKS account by clicking on the Student tab in HuskyNet and then clicking the link for HCU Math Placement Information (ALEKS). You may retake the assessment up to 4 times, but you must wait at least 72 hours between retakes and work in the Prep and Learning Module at least 8 hours before your second attempt and 5 hours before the remaining ones.

If you want to take more than 5 assessments or your license expires (after a year), you may purchase an ALEKS e-commerce license through Testing Services. All retakes using an e-commerce license must be taken at Testing Services.

If you have questions about the placement process or have difficulty using ALEKS, please contact Dr. Paul Lewis at **plewis@HC.edu**.