Determining Which Placement Exams To Take

Below is a list of required tests by school/college/program for first-year students.

Chart Key

Required = Your school/college requires you to take the online placement exam. In the case of languages, **if you do not have any experience in a foreign language, you are not required to take a language placement exam**. You may study a new language to fulfill your school/college's language/degree requirement. Requirement is only if you have prior experience and plan to continue to enroll in that language to satisfy school/college's language/degree requirement.

Not Required = Your school/college does not require you to take the online placement exam.

Encouraged = While not required, if you intend to continue to take coursework in that subject, you should take the exam.

See Below/Symbol = There are specific circumstances that may require you to take the exam or reasons why you should take the exam. Find more information below the chart.

First-year Student Placement Exams

School/College/ Program	Math (Online)	UWrite (Online)	Chemistry (Online)	Languages (Only if you have prior experience)
Architecture	Required @	Required	Not Required	Encouraged
Art & Design	Required	Required	Encouraged	Encouraged
Art & Design - BBA Preferred Admit to Ross	Required	Required	Encouraged	Encouraged
Education	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required
Engineering	Required	Not Required	Required *	Encouraged **
Engineering - BBA Preferred Admit to Ross	Required	Required	Required *	Required **
Kinesiology	Required	Required	Required #	Encouraged
Kinesiology - BBA Preferred Admit to Ross	Required	Required	Required #	Required
Literature, Science, and the Arts (LSA)	Required	Required	Encouraged	Required
LSA: Comprehensive Studies Program (CSP)	Required	Required	Encouraged	Required
LSA: Honors Program	Required	Not Required	Required	Required
LSA: Residential College	Required	Not Required	Encouraged	Required
Music, Musical Theatre, Theatre, Dance (SMTD)	See Below ^	Required	Not Required	See Below +
SMTD - BBA Preferred Admit to Ross	Required	Required	Not Required	Required
Nursing	Not Required	Required	Not Required	Not Required
Ross Business School Direct Admit	Required	Required	Not Required	Required

- @ Students studying urban technology in the Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning are not required to take the math placement.
- * College of Engineering students are required to take the chemistry placement unless they have received an AP score of 4 or 5. If your results are not yet available, you should still take the placement prior to your Virtual Academic Advising date.
- ** College of Engineering students are encouraged, though not required, to take language placement exams. Students intending to enroll in a language course in their first term should take the placement online in advance. College of Engineering students who are preferred admits to the Ross Business School are required to take a language placement exam if they have any experience in one (for languages available to take online in advance).

School of Kinesiology students studying movement science are required to take the chemistry placement exam. Applied exercise science students are encouraged to take it. Sport management students and preferred admits to the Ross Business School are not required to take it unless they have an interest in taking science courses at Michigan.

- ^ If you are studying performing arts technology (PAT) in the School of Music, Theatre and Dance (SMTD), or are an SMTD student who is a preferred admit to the Ross Business School, you are required to take the math placement exam. All other SMTD students are exempt from this test.
- + Students in the BA in music and BM in musicology programs, students studying piano or voice performance, musical theatre, or theatre performance (acting) in SMTD, and SMTD students who are preferred admits to the Ross Business School are required to take a language placement exam. Students considering applying or adding a BM in music theory are encouraged to take a language placement exam. Other SMTD students are not required to take a language placement exam, but are encouraged to do so if they have any previous experience with these languages.