

Qualifications to Exempt the MTC Placement Test

If you can meet at least one of the following criteria, you may be able to exempt the MTC placement test.

1. Earned College-Level Courses

You have completed college-level math and English courses from a regionally accredited institution with a grade of “C” or higher.

2. Earned College Degree

You have graduated from a regionally accredited institution with an associate degree or higher.

3. Advanced Standing Credit

You have earned credit in English and math on CLEP® and/or Advanced Placement® exams that are recognized by the college. Visit the [Advanced Standing](#) page for more information. This exemption may not apply to specific academic programs.

4. Qualifying Standardized Test Scores (Within the Last Three Years)

SAT® Scores (On or after March 5, 2016)

EBRW Score: 480+

Math Score: 530+

GED

Reasoning Through Language Arts: 165+

Mathematical Reasoning: 165+

ACT® Scores

Math: 22+

English: 18+ and

Reading: 22+

5. High School Grade Point Average (HS GPA) for Course Placement
(Within the Last Three Years)

English Placement

HS GPA 3.0+

ENG 101 or 160 (use program requirement)

HS GPA 2.75 – 2.99

ENG 101 + Studio (ENG 010)

Students requiring ENG 160 take ENG 100

HS GPA 2.5 – 2.74

ENG 100

HS GPA 2.25 – 2.49

ENG 032

Math Placement

HS GPA 3.0+ AND HS 4 MATH with 85+

MAT 110 or 122 (use program requirement)

Notes:

- “HS GPA” is based on the S.C. Uniform Grading Scale or equivalent.
- High School Grade Point Average and 4 MATH cannot be used to place students above MAT 110 or 122.
- Next Generation ACCUPLACER® must be taken to place into a higher math course.
- If you qualify for an exemption in only math or English (not both), you will need to complete the placement test for the subject not exempted.
- The MTC Placement Test will be required to place above MAT 110.
- If you apply to MTC before graduating from high school, your placement will be based on your high school GPA at the end of your 11th grade year. Admissions will convert any un-weighted, non-S.C. Uniform Grading Scale GPAs to the equivalent S.C. Uniform Grading Scale GPA. Mid-year transcripts are automatically evaluated for all current high school seniors who submit an unofficial mid-year transcript.

- If you have graduated in the past three years and would like your final transcript evaluated please send it to the admissions office.

How are transcripts evaluated for multiple measures?

MID-YEAR TRANSCRIPTS

If you apply to MTC before graduating from high school, your placement will be based on your high school GPA at the end of your 11th grade year. Please ask your high school counselor to send your mid-year transcript to MTC Admissions to the attention of our Multiple Measures Coordinator. We will evaluate this transcript automatically.

FINAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS

If you would like to have your final high school transcript evaluated for possible multiple measures placement exemptions, you must have your official transcript sent to the admissions office before your advisement appointment. Transcripts must be submitted to be evaluated by the first day of the start term for which you applied. Please send your official final high school transcript to the Admissions Office at Midlands Technical College, Admissions, PO Box 2408, Columbia, SC 29202; or turn them into one of our office locations at our Beltline or Airport campus.

Note: Admissions will convert any unweighted, non-S.C. Uniform Grading Scale GPAs to the equivalent S.C. Uniform Grading Scale GPA.

After you apply to MTC, the Admissions Office will let you know if you qualify to exempt any placement tests. Need more info? Contact Admissions at 803.790.7578 or admissions@midlandstech.edu.

AP/IB Course Equivalency

Midlands Technical College has established policies and procedures that may allow students to enter certain curriculum programs with advanced standing. In many cases, credit may be awarded through transfer of credit from other post-secondary institutions, AP exams, challenge examinations, the College Level Examination Program (CLEP), military experience or prior experiential learning. New students applying for [advanced standing](#) should submit documentation to the Admissions Office by the application deadline so that credentials may be evaluated and credit awarded prior to advisement for the student's first term. Applicability and time limitations on transfer course work will be determined by the appropriate program's department chair or designee.

International Baccalaureate Course Equivalency

Academic Honesty Policy

The staff of the Testing Services Center and Midlands Technical College is committed to academic honesty and excellence. Anyone caught participating in acts of cheating will be brought before the college's judicial/discipline process as well as reported to the instructor whose exam they are taking. All forms of academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, cheating on tests, plagiarism, collusion and falsification of information, will call for discipline. Cheating on tests is defined to include the following:

- Copying from another student's test.
- Using materials during a test not authorized by the person giving the test.
- Collaborating with any other person during a test without permission.
- Knowingly obtaining, using, buying, selling, transporting or soliciting in whole or in part the contents of any test.
- Bribing any other person to obtain tests or information about tests.
- Substituting for another student, or permitting any other person's work to substitute for yours.