

# Next-Generation Accuplacer

Test Information

 CollegeBoard

**ACCUPLACER**

# Why did the College Board redesign the ACCUPLACER placement assessments?

As part of College Board's plans to improve its placement test services, align test contents with college and career readiness standards and, reflect the changing landscape of higher education with math sequences aligned to clear pathways, the classic Accuplacer tests are replaced with the **Next-Generation Accuplacer tests**.

The **Next-Generation ACCUPLACER** placement tests more effectively help institutions place students in classes that match their skill level, and include texts and tasks encountered in first-year college courses.

# When does Harford Community College offer the Next-Generation Accuplacer Tests?

Beginning November 1, 2018, Harford Community College will start using the Next-Generation Accuplacer tests.

Students registering for winter/spring 2019 and will need to take or retake the Accuplacer tests will be given the Next-Generation Accuplacer tests.

# What is Next-Generation Accuplacer assessment?

The Next-Generation Accuplacer assessment is a series of computer-based tests which assess your skill level in the following areas:

- Reading
- Writing
- Math

The test, although untimed, usually takes about 2 hours to complete.

This is a computer adaptive test. The test questions are multiple choice and chosen for you on the basis of your answers to previous questions. Hand held calculators are not allowed in the Math part of the test. Test takers can access an on screen calculator for certain math questions. Tests begin with sample questions designed to illustrate the types of test questions the examinee will see during the test.

With redesigned reading, writing and math contents, the Next-Gen Accuplacer tests have **new score reporting scale of 200-300.**

# What is inside the Next-Generation Accuplacer assessment?

## Reading

Next-Generation Reading assesses the test-taker's ability to derive meaning from a range of texts and to determine the meaning of words and phrases in short and extended contexts. Passages on the test cover a range of content areas, writing modes, and complexities. Both single and paired passages are included. Four broad knowledge and skills categories are assessed:

Information and Ideas

Rhetoric

Synthesis

Vocabulary

# What is inside the Next-Generation Accuplacer assessment?

## **Writing**

Next-Generation Writing evaluates a test-taker's ability to revise and edit multi paragraph text. Questions cover two broad knowledge and skills categories, each containing three subcategories:

### **Expression of Ideas**

Development

Organization

Effective Language Use

### **Standard English Conventions**

Sentence Structure

Usage

Punctuation

# What is Next-Generation Accuplacer assessment?

## **Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS)**

Next-Generation QAS assesses the following knowledge and skills:

Rational numbers

Ratio and Proportional Relationships

Exponents

Algebraic Expressions

Linear Equations

Linear Applications and Graphs

Probability Sets

Descriptive Statistics

Geometry Concepts

# What is inside the Next-Generation Accuplacer assessment?

## **Advanced Algebra and Functions (AAF)**

Next-Generation AAF assesses the following knowledge and skills:

Linear Equations

Linear Applications and Graphs

Factoring

Quadratics Functions

Radical and Rational Equations

Polynomial Equations

Exponential and Logarithmic Equations

Trigonometry



# What is inside the Next-Generation Accuplacer assessment?

## **Arithmetic**

Next-Generation Arithmetic focuses on computation, order of operations, estimation and rounding, comparing and ordering values in different formats, and recognizing equivalent values across formats. The following knowledge and skills categories are assessed:

Whole Number Operations

Fraction Operations

Decimal Operations

Percent

Number Comparisons and Equivalents

# How to prepare for the Next- Generation Accuplacer Tests?

To prepare for the tests, Accuplacer official study app:

<https://accuplacerpractice.collegeboard.org>.

can be accessed in any web browsers and mobile devices. Choose the Next-Generation Practice Tests.

# Validity of Accuplacer Scores

Existing classic Accuplacer scores are valid within a two-year period from date of testing. A concordance table of classic and Next-Gen Accuplacer scores will be provided to guide placement of students with existing valid classic Accuplacer scores.

The Next-Generation Accuplacer scores are valid for two years.

# Next- Generation Accuplacer Retesting Options

Beginning November 1, 2018, all Accuplacer retesting will be the Next-Generation Accuplacer tests.

You may retest 24 hours after the initial test. After two attempts within a two year period a \$25 proctoring fee will be assigned for all subsequent attempts. For more information, contact the Test Center at 443-412-2352.

If you do not begin the appropriate course sequence within the two year period, you must repeat the assessment.

Note: You are exempt from taking the Academic Skills Assessment(Accuplacer) if you meet the CCR requirements or have earned an Associate or Baccalaureate degree (Transcript required). For more information about CCR designation, visit: <http://www.harford.edu/student-services/testing/academic-skills-assessment/requirements-for-assessment.aspx>

# What are the college level scores for Next-Generation Accuplacer tests accepted at HCC ?

## Harford Community College Next-Generation ACCUPLACER Cut Scores

(NGR) College Level Reading Score:	266
(NGW) College Level Writing Score:	264
(NGQ) College Level Math Score:	263
(NGF) Advanced Algebra and Functions Math 101 and higher:	237

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## Qualifying Scores for CET Allied Health Programs:

Reading:	227-300
Arithmetic:	260-300

# For more information about the NEW Next-Generation Accuplacer assessment, please visit the following resources:

- <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/educator/next-generation>
- <http://www.harford.edu/student-services/testing/academic-skills-assessment.aspx>
- FAQ's- HCC Next-Generation Accuplacer Tests  
<http://www.harford.edu/student-services/testing/academic-skills-assessment.aspx>
- HCC Concordance Table for Classic and Next-Generation Accuplacer Scores  
<http://www.harford.edu/student-services/testing/academic-skills-assessment.aspx>

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