



OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

REMEDIAL COURSES

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education established an ACT subscore of 19 as the “first cut” in determining student readiness for college level course work. Students entering college beginning the fall of 1994 must score a 19 or above in the four subject areas on the ACT (Math, English, Reading and Science Reasoning) in order to avoid second level testing and/or remedial courses. The Computerized Placement Testing program (CPT) is used as the second level test.

For students who complete the SAT the following apply:

Test Taken Prior to March 2016

460 or above in the three subject areas on the SAT (Critical Reading, Writing, Math) in order to avoid second level testing and/or remedial course(s).

Test Taken After March 2016

510 or above in Evidence-Based Reading & Writing; and,
510 or above in Math in order to avoid second level testing and/or remedial course(s).

Students must enroll in remedial classes each semester until the deficiency is cleared.

Students who score below the “first cut” have the option of (1) taking the CPT prior to enrollment or (2) enrolling in the corresponding remedial course. Students electing to take the CPT to attempt to “test out” of remedial courses should do so well in advance of their scheduled enrollment. Contact the Assessment Center at (580) 774-7184 for more information or to reserve your test date.

Check your admission email to see what area(s) you are deficient in and see below for options:

If your score in Science is below 19 you must complete remedial course(s) in English, Math & Reading prior to enrolling in any science courses. If you took the SAT, please note that there is not a Science Portion. You must also complete the appropriate remedial course(s) before enrolling in any science courses. If your English, Math, and Reading subscores are above a 19, remediation will not be needed for Science

There is no charge for the CPT. Please visit the following link for sample questions and practice tests.

<https://bulldog.swosu.edu/student-services/assessment/skill-building.php>

If you feel you should not have a deficiency area(s) due to scores above the “first cut”, please make sure you provide the university an updated score. If we receive an updated score that is high enough in the appropriate subject area(s), the deficiency area(s) will be cleared.

A college transcript showing successful completion of coursework related to the deficiency area(s) may also clear the deficiency. The use of college transfer work to clear a deficiency may be subject to departmental approval. The Registrar’s Office will work with the appropriate academic department to evaluate the transfer coursework and determine if it will clear the deficiency.