

TSI Placement Guide 2020-2021

Reading Skills Placement	
Option	TSI-A Score
Option 1: NCBO BASE READ 0017 (only offered prior to fall semesters) Option 2: Refer to Continuing Education (if identified as lower level ESOL)	ABE Level 1
Option 1: NCBO BASE READ 0018 (only offered prior to fall semesters) Option 2: Refer to Continuing Education (if identified as lower level ESOL)	ABE Level 2
Option 1: NCBO BASE READ 0019 (only offered prior to fall semesters) Option 2: Refer to Continuing Education (if identified as lower level ESOL)	ABE Level 3
INRW 0421 (if not identified as ESOL)	ABE Level 4
Referred to take ESOL Accuplacer	ABE Levels 1, 2, 3, & 4
Option 1: INRW 0422 Option 2: STAR INRW 0422 w/COMP 1301 Option 3: Accelerated INRW 0422/ENGL 1301 (reading score needs to be combined w/writing score for placement in this course)	ABE Levels 5 & 6 342-344
Option 1: INRW 0422 Option 2: Mainstreamed into ENGL 1301/NCBO INRW 0023 Essential Reading and Writing Strategies Option 3: STAR INRW 0422 w/ COMP 1301 Option 4: College Prep INRW 0022 (only offered prior to fall semesters)	345-350
<i>No Remediation Required</i>	≥351

Writing Skills Placement Option	TSI-A Score
Option 1: NCBO BASE ENGL 0017 (only offered prior to fall semesters) Option 2: Refer to Continuing Education (if identified as lower level ESOL)	ABE Level 1
Option 1: NCBO BASE ENGL 0018 (only offered prior to fall semesters) Option 2: Refer to Continuing Education (if identified as lower level ESOL)	ABE Level 2
Option 1: NCBO BASE ENGL 0019 (only offered prior to fall semesters) Option 2: Refer to Continuing Education (if identified as lower level ESOL)	ABE Level 3
Referred to take ESOL Accuplacer	ABE Levels 1, 2, 3, & 4
INRW 0421 (if not identified as ESOL)	ABE Level 4
Option 1: INRW 0422 Option 2: STAR INRW 0422 w/ENGL 1301 Option 3: Accelerated INRW 0422/ENGL 1301	ABE Levels 5 & 6 Essay* 1-2
Option 1: INRW 0422 Option 2: Mainstreamed into ENGL 1301/NCBO INRW 0023 Essential Reading and Writing Strategies Option 3: STAR INRW 0422 w/ENGL 1301 Option 4: College Prep INRW 0022 (only offered prior to fall semesters)	Essay* 3-4 w/ MC < 340
No Remediation Required	Essay ≥ 5 OR Essay 4 w/MC ≥ 340

***Prioritize the Essay over the Multiple Choice score for placement.**

Math Skills Placement Option	TSI-A Score
NCBO BASE MATH 0017 (only offered prior to fall semesters)	ABE Level 1
NCBO BASE MATH 0018 (only offered prior to fall semesters)	ABE Level 2
NCBO BASE MATH 0019 (only offered prior to fall semesters)	ABE Level 3
Pathway for Non-College Algebra Program	
Option 1: STAR MATH 0320 w/MATH 1332 Option 2: STAR MATH 0320 w/MATH 1342	ABE Levels 4, 5, 6 or a score of 336-349
Pathway for Non-College Algebra Program	
Option 1: Mainstreamed into MATH 0321 with NCBO Fundamentals MATH 0020 Option 2: Accelerated MATH 0321/ MATH 0322 (8-week courses)	ABE Level 4
Option 1: Accelerated Math 0321/ MATH 0322/MATH 1314 (5-week courses)	ABE Levels 5 & 6 or a score of 336
Option 1: STAR MATH 0322/MATH 1314 Option 2: Accelerated MATH 0322/MATH 1314 (8 week course)	337-349
Option 1: Mainstreamed into MATH 1314 with NCBO MATH 0023 Essential Math Strategies Option 2: NCBO College Prep MATH 0022 (only offered prior to fall semesters)	347-349
No Remediation Required***	≥350

EXEMPTIONS*: Valid for 5 years from date of testing.

MILITARY	ACT	SAT Before March 2016	SAT	STAAR EOC	TAKS
A student who is serving on active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States, the Texas National Guard, or as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States and has been serving for at least three years preceding enrollment.	<i>COMP</i> ≥ 23	<i>COMB</i> ≥ 1070			
A student who on or after August 1, 1990, was honorably discharged, retired, or released from active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States or the Texas National Guard or service as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States.	<i>ENG</i> ≥ 19 (READ & WRIT)	<i>CRIT READ</i> ≥ 500 (READ & WRIT)	<i>Evidence Based Reading and Writing</i> ≥ 480 (READ & WRIT)	<i>ENG III, LVL II (READ & WRIT) 4000</i>	<i>ELA</i> ≥ 2200 and writing ≥ 3
	<i>MATH</i> ≥ 19	<i>MATH</i> ≥ 500	<i>MATH</i> ≥ 530	<i>ALG II, LVL II (MATH) 2000</i>	<i>MATH</i> ≥ 2200

*TSI exemptions are based on [Texas Administrative Code Chapter 4, Subchapter C, Rule §4.54 Exemptions, Exceptions, and Waivers](#)