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Placement Test Schedule (English & Physics) for Spring 2027

Refer to the below table to note the relevant placement test(s) required by your major. All the required placement tests must be completed before you can enroll in first-year courses.

Required Placement Tests					
Major	**Engineering Math**	**Business Math**	**Architecture Math**	**Physics**	**English***
Architecture	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Biology	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Business Administration (all majors)	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Chemistry and Biochemistry	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Computer Science	Yes	No	No	No**	Yes
Data Science	Yes	No	No	No**	Yes
Design Management	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Engineering majors	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
English Language and Literature	No	No	No	No	Yes
Environmental Sciences and Sustainability	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Film and New Media Design	No	No	No	No	Yes
Graphic Design	No	No	No	No	Yes
Interior Design	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
International Studies	No	No	No	No	Yes
Mathematics	Yes	No	No	No**	Yes
Media Communication	No	No	No	No	Yes
Physics	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Psychology	No	No	No	No	Yes
Undeclared	*	*	*	*	Yes

* Applicants with Undeclared majors are required to complete the Placement Tests relevant to their intended majors. Applicants missing the required ELP (English Language Proficiency) score such as TOEFL/IELTS cannot book for English placement tests until the required score reports are submitted. However, applicants can book for the Math and Physics placements tests as required by their majors.

** Students who plan to take PHY 101 to meet the natural sciences general education requirement are advised to take the physics placement test.

Test Schedule for Major Placement Tests (English & Physics)

For new students enrolling in Spring 2027

Test	Dates	Time
English & Physics	November 23	English: 9.30 a.m.– 11.30 a.m. Physics: 12.00 p.m.– 2.00 p.m.
	December 14, 21, 28	
	January 5, 6	

Testing Center
Tel +971 6 515 1000, PO Box 26666, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates
For inquiries, send an email to testingcenter@aus.edu

Math Placement Test:

An email will be sent to you with the test instructions. You may take the test at your convenient date and time (before end of December 2026)

The Math Placement Test is administered through the ALEKS testing platform and consists of the following stages:

- Initial (Unproctored) Placement Assessment - Time Limit: 60 to 90 minutes
- Preparation & Learning module after the Initial Assessment (You must complete the full 3 hours in this learning module)
- Actual (Proctored) Placement Assessment - Time Limit: 2 hours

The Math placement test scores will be displayed on ALEKS screen immediately after the test.
Please check the **video** for a demonstration of the test structure.

About Placement Tests

The Testing Center is currently offering Home Placement Tests which are accessed from your own computer at home. To be admitted to a test, you must present your original, valid and signed passport or your UAE National ID. If your passport or UAE National ID will not be available on the day of the exam for unavoidable reasons, please contact testingcenter@aus.edu at least three working days prior to the scheduled test date.

If you have any difficulties taking the test from home, please send testingcenter@aus.edu an email to arrange for onsite testing.

General Test Rules for English & Physics placement tests:

- The duration of English & Physics placement test is 90 minutes and the test will automatically end when 90 minutes have elapsed.
- Major placement tests can be taken **only once**.
- **Physics:** Physical calculators are not allowed. You are allowed to use a Built-in Scientific Calculator.
- The AUS Major Placement Tests must be taken on your personal computer at home using the AUS Learning System (**https://ilearn.aus.edu/**); with the Respondus Lockdown Browser. Additionally, you are required to open the Zoom application on your smartphone for proctoring purposes.
- Download and install Respondus Lockdown Browser on your computer in advance, as the test cannot be taken using a common web browser.
- Download and install the Zoom application on your smartphone.
- Ensure you have a stable internet connection throughout the test.

Your Guide to Placement Tests

Before the Test:

- Please go to banner.aus.edu and log in to Web Enabled Interface for Students using your AUS email username and password to book for your placement tests. For more information refer to www.aus.edu/testing-center/aus-placement-tests
- Download and install Respondus Lockdown Browser on your computer in advance, as the test cannot be taken using a common web browser.
- Download and install the Zoom application on your smartphone.
- Ensure you have a stable internet connection throughout the test.
- Log in to the Zoom meeting and the iLearn platform at least 30 minutes before the test to verify system readiness.

During the Test:

- Use your computer to view the test instructions and access the test link.
- For proctoring purposes, use your mobile phone to launch the Zoom application and sign into the Zoom meeting using the information mentioned in your test instructions email.
- An email containing test instructions and a Zoom link will be sent to your AUS email address prior to the test date.
- Position your smartphone in a stable location beside you, ensuring that both your face and workspace are clearly visible.
- Ensure that both your laptop and mobile phone are fully charged or connected to power throughout the test.
- You must sit alone in a private room during the test.

After the Test:

- The Physics placement test scores will be displayed on the iLearn screen immediately after the test.
- Log in to Web Enabled Interface for Students on banner.aus.edu using the AUS email username and password to view:
  - The English placement test score three to five days after the test date.
  - Math and Physics placement test scores two days after the test date.

Please check the **video** for a demonstration of the required setup on the test day.
If you have any further questions or concerns, don't hesitate to email testingcenter@aus.edu for assistance.

Best of luck with your placement tests!

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