

Dear Student:

This message is a follow up regarding your placement and registration in English and Mathematics courses for the Fall 2019 semester.

We encourage you to watch the YouTube Video, provided by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office: [Know Your Rights: The AB 705 Initiative and What it Means for Students](#) to become more familiar with AB 705 and your rights as a student.

With the passing of Assembly Bill (AB) 705 and the implementation of a new placement model, all students will receive a minimum placement into entry-level transfer courses in English and Mathematics. This is regardless of your previous placement or enrollment in lower level courses in English as a Second Language (ESL), English, or Mathematics. Your placement will come with information regarding the recommendation or requirement to take concurrent support.

You will be able to view your placement on your unofficial transcript in MyOCC as well as in DegreeWorks.

Here is an overview of the placement options you may receive:

English

You will receive access to *English A100: Freshman Composition* with either one of the following recommendations:

- No support recommended
- Additional academic and concurrent support recommended
- Additional academic and concurrent support strongly recommended.

Your English placement is based on your high school transcript (GPA) or your self-reported information. For more information about the placement rules, please visit the [Assessment Center site](#).

Please note, if you are enrolled in ESL courses, you will receive a placement into English A100, but you may still continue to register in ESL courses.

The following support options are available:

Non-Credit Courses – these 4 week courses will be available during the semester and there is no fee to enroll in non-credit courses.

English A100 with Embedded Tutoring – specific sections of English A100 will have embedded tutoring that utilizes a tutor during 4 hours of class time per week to support student learning as directed by the instructor. Students receive support in the classroom and are encouraged to seek additional support in the Reading and Writing Center.

Mathematics

All students will receive a minimum placement into one or more of the following first-level transfer courses:

- *Math A100: Liberal Arts Math*
- *Math A104: Math for Elementary Teachers*
- *Math A115: College Algebra*
- *Math A120: Trigonometry*
- *Math A155: Finite Mathematics*

- *Math A160: Statistics*

In addition, your placement will include one of the following recommendations or requirements to enroll in concurrent support:

- No support recommended
- Additional academic and concurrent support recommended
- Additional academic and concurrent support required.

Your Mathematics placement is based on your high school transcript (coursework, grades, and GPA) or your self-reported information. Students unable to supply this information will need to enroll in a concurrent support course. For more information about the placement rules, please visit the [Assessment Center site](#).

If your placement requires you to take a support course, you will need to enroll in a support course while taking an entry-level transfer course. If you wish to challenge your placement, the Mathematics department will have a challenge process. You can satisfy a requirement to take a support course by completing a non-credit support course referred to as a Math Jam.

Alternatively, you can gain access to courses above first-level transfer (i.e. Pre-Calculus, Calculus 1, etc.) by submitting a prerequisite form and attaching the approved documents (AP Scores, high school transcript, etc.). For more information and to download the form, please visit the [Assessment Center site](#).

The following support options are available to all students:

Co-Requisite Courses – these 2-unit courses will help students succeed in the transfer course. These courses will be required for some students but enrollment is open to all students.

Non-Credit Support Options – these condensed Math Jam courses will help students prepare for an entry-level transfer course. They will be scheduled before the semester begins, either during summer or intersession. There is no fee to enroll in non-credit courses.

Math Tutoring -- the Student Success Center, located in the Classrooms & Labs (C&L) building, room number 103, provides drop-in tutoring, study groups, and individual appointments.

We encourage you to meet with a counselor to understand your course options. To schedule an appointment, please visit the [Counseling Center website](#). For additional information regarding AB 705 and the available support courses, please visit the [Assessment Center site](#).

If you have any questions, please contact the Assessment Center staff at (714) 432-5789 or ocassessment@occ.cccd.edu.

We wish you a wonderful semester.

Sincerely,

Orange Coast College