

Understanding Your Score

Please keep in mind that ALEKS scores are not grades like on a class exam. A score of 30 or higher reflects that a student is adequately prepared for college-level mathematics. Higher level scores representative an adequate preparedness for higher level courses.

Course Placement Scores

Below is a rough chart indicating the courses various programs require based on your ALEKS score. * Not every program is listed below, and some of the broad rules outlined below have exceptions. You should select your mathematics course based on consultation with your program advisor, or the Department of Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics – (814)393-2592. If you do not understand why you have been scheduled for a specific course for any reason (it seems too high level, too low level, it does not seem to pertain to your degree program, etc.) please immediately contact your advisor or the Department of Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics.

ALEKS Score →	0 – 29	30 – 52	53 – 75	76 – 100
Program ↓				
Business programs including Information Systems and Economics	MATH 050	MATH 110	MATH 131	MATH 131
Health Science Programs (Nursing, and Allied Health)	MATH 050	MATH 117	MATH 117	MATH 117
Education Programs (this excludes some middle level and secondary level programs)	MATH 050	MATH 111	MATH 111	MATH 111
Science, Computer Science, and Mathematics Programs	MATH 050	MATH 110	MATH 171	MATH 270
Most other programs	MATH 050	MATH 112	MATH 112 (or higher numbered course based on interest)	MATH 112 (or higher numbered course based on interest)

*Students may improve their placement level by completing the recommended ALEKS learning modules and retaking the assessment exam.