Entrance Examinations

The Florida College Entry Level Placement Test, referred to as the Florida Placement Test (FPT) or Computerized Placement Test (CPT), is required of all students prior to entering State College of Florida, Manatee - Sarasota seeking to earn a degree from the College. It is also required for all students who wish to enroll in English, reading, or mathematics courses; or other designated courses that have the placement test scores as a prerequisite. The State Board of Education establishes the FPT/CPT cut-off scores for placement into the appropriate courses.

Students may also present Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores or American College Testing (ACT) scores as alternative placement test scores. The State Board of Education also establishes the SAT and ACT cut-off scores required for enrollment in English, reading, or mathematics courses; or other designated courses that have a placement test score as a prerequisite.

Special Circumstances

Placement test scores (FPT/CPT, SAT, or ACT) must be taken within two years of the planned enrollment date in State College of Florida, Manatee - Sarasota courses. Placement test scores are not required for students applying for transfer or readmission status who have satisfactorily completed college level English, reading, and/or mathematics courses.

Placement test results will be used to aid in academic advising and course placement. The results may be used to limit course work of students whose level of achievement in communication and computation skills are below those defined by the College as satisfactory.

Retakes

All students wishing to improve their course placement may take or retake the FPT/CPT in accordance with the guidelines outlined in Procedure 4.04.01: Florida Placement Test Retakes.

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