



POLICY AND PROCEDURE

TITLE:	Placement Testing
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POLICY STATEMENT:

The purpose of placement evaluation is to ensure that the skills of incoming students are uniformly evaluated, that students are placed in courses appropriate to their academic preparation, and that courses and other academic and student support services which allow students to develop to their full potential are made available. Goodwin University uses the College Success® Placement Test placement evaluation. College Success® scores are valid for one year from the date they were taken.

Challenge/Retakes - One Time Only

Students may challenge their English or Math scores only once for any reason. A student may challenge Math by retaking either the Math or Algebra portion of the test.

If a student retakes a test and scores lower, the highest score can be used in placement.

Test Waivers

Waivers for testing are available to students under any of the following conditions:

- If you already completed transferable University -level English composition and mathematics course higher than elementary Algebra, and have earned a "C" or better.
- If you are a matriculating student who has an Associate's Degree or higher.
- You have taken the SAT or ACT in the past three years, and have achieved the following:
 - SAT Writing or Critical Reasoning score of 480 or higher (documentation required)
 - SAT Math score of 530 or higher (documentation required)
 - ACT Composite score of 21 or higher
- You have taken the following Advanced Placement (AP) tests administered by the College Board:
 - Calculus AB –OR– BC with a score of 3 or higher (documentation required)
 - English Language with a score of 3 or higher (documentation required)

Any student who places into English 088 will be enrolled in the Goodwin Achievement Program. Other placement decisions should be made in collaboration with the student's applicant advisor.

Re-Enrollment and Accuplacer Expiration

Student College Success® scores can be used for one year from the official withdrawal date. After one year, a student must retake the test and be placed according to the current University guidelines.

Please note: Students placing into developmental English courses will need permission from their advisor to register for any University -level course work.

PROCEDURE DETAILS:

1. Students seeking admittance to Goodwin University take the College Success® placement test on their first or second visit with an admissions representative.
2. The scores are given to an applicant advisor who explains them to the student and places him/her into the appropriate English and math level course.

PUBLISH POLICY STATEMENT (CLICK ON BOX NEXT TO OPTION-SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

UNIVERSITY CATALOG

STAFF HANDBOOK

FACULTY HANDBOOK

STUDENT HANDBOOK

DEFINITIONS:

College Success® – Placement test used at Goodwin University

EXCLUSIONS:

N/A

OFFICES DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY THE POLICY:

Applicant Advising
Registrar

HISTORY:

April 3, 2014, reviewed 2015, February 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019. Updated with new logo / university January 2020.

EFFECTIVE DATE:	2014
RESPONSIBLE OFFICE (ONLY ONE):	Registrar
REVIEW DATE:	Annually

APPENDIX