

English Guided Self-Placement (GSP) Assessment Overview

Important! Read this before starting your English assessment.

The English assessment is only appropriate for native English speakers and for non-native English speakers who feel that they are ready for transfer-level, or university-level, English courses. This assessment is **not** appropriate for English learners.

De Anza College uses a “placement” process that is designed to help students find the right English class for their level of knowledge and understanding. For many students, we can find the right placement by looking at their high school transcripts, if they completed high school in the United States.

Since we don't have a U.S. high school transcript for you, we'd like you to complete this guided self-placement (GSP) survey. Your answers will help us find the right English class to help you succeed.

English GSP Computerized Assessment Survey

- **This is not a test.** There are no wrong answers. The questions in this survey will help us understand your current level of English skills and knowledge.
- As you work your way through this survey, you are encouraged to reflect upon your academic history and educational goals as well as your familiarity and comfort with academic English.
- This should take you about 30-45 minutes to complete. However, it is untimed so take as long as you need.
- You can only complete the English guided self-placement process **one** time.

At the end of your assessment session, we'll tell you which English courses you're eligible for.

- Once you get your results you'll need to complete the [New Student Orientation](#) so that you understand which English course is required for your **major** and **educational goals**.
- If you feel that your results do not reflect your skills and abilities, you'll need to participate in the [English Challenge Process](#). A staff member can provide you with more information at the end of your session, if needed.

Ready to get started? Great!

- Log in using your **De Anza Campus Wide ID (CWID) Number** and **MyPortal Password** to begin the English GSP Survey.
If you have forgotten your password, we'll need you to reset it at the MyPortal Password Set-Up/Reset Station at the front of the lab. Raise your hand for assistance.
- **Remember!** This is not a test.
- You can use scratch paper to organize your thoughts.
- No dictionaries, notes, access to the internet or other aids are allowed during the assessment.

Demonstration of English Proficiency

Students must demonstrate English proficiency adequate for transfer-level English.

Students for whom English is not their first language can demonstrate English proficiency by:

- Providing their U.S. high school transcript information for assessment
 - Students must have completed at least 9 – 11th grade in a U.S. high school
- Take the [ESL assessment](#)

If you should be taking the ESL assessment, raise your hand now. A staff person will help you to take the ESL assessment.

When you get to the  image, please stop and raise your hand.

Do not close the program. A staff person will help you with your next steps.