

PLACEMENT CRITERIA FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026

APPENDIX C

Alternative Placement Options for Students with Military Experience and Alternative Placement Options for Students with Significant Work History

Alternative Placement Options for Students with Military Experience

Students with military experience have the following acceleration and assessment options available to them:

- Evaluation of validated military service training, experience or coursework (official military transcript) using the credit recommendations in the Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experience in the Armed Forces published by the American Council on Education (ACE). The ACE Military Guide presents credit recommendations for formal courses and occupations by all branches of the military, excluding the Air Force. Air Force training is evaluated for transfer credit from the Community College of the Air Force.
- Successful completion of exams such as CLEP, DSST, UEXCEL and Institutional Departmental Exams. MDC adheres to the exam guidelines, scores, and criteria approved by the FLDOE Articulation Coordinating Committee.

Alternative Placement Options for Students with Significant Work History

Students returning to college after a period of time in the workforce have the following acceleration and assessment options available to them:

- Successful completion of exams such as CLEP, DSST, UEXCEL, and Institutional Departmental Exams. MDC adheres to the exam guidelines, scores, and criteria approved by the FLDOE Articulation Coordinating Committee.
- FLDOE approved articulation agreements for Gold Standard Career Pathways industry certifications or professional licensure.
- Validation of non-collegiate instruction by appropriate academic department for awarding credits based on appropriate documents reflecting completion of selected training programs, selected exams and/or licensures.
- MDC is in the process of developing a portfolio-based assessment to award credit for life/work experience. The portfolio documents college-level learning gained outside of the traditional academic environment. Portfolios are evaluated by faculty based on their discipline/area of expertise.

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APPENDIX C (continued) Alternate Methods Quick Guide

Reading and Writing Alternate Placement Criteria using a test score for demonstrating College readiness

TEST ID >	PSATNMSQT10 or PSATDigital^		PreACT		CLT10+	GED (In English)	TASC (In English)		HiSET (In English)
Test Component >	Reading (RD) or EBRW (RWA)^	Writing and Language (WLT)	Reading (RD)	English (ENG)	Verbal Reasoning and Grammar/ Writing (SUM)	Reasoning through Language Arts** (RLA)	Language Arts Reading (LR)	Language Arts Writing (LW) and Essay	Language Arts Reading (LR) and Language Arts Writing (LW)
ENC1101*	≥ 24 or ≥ 490^	≥ 25	≥ 22	≥ 18	≥ 37	≥ 165	≥ 580	≥ 560 and ≥ 6	≥ 15

*Both Reading and Writing must be at the ENC 1101 course placement level.

**GED Reading through Language Arts is used for Reading and Writing.

^Digital SAT 3-digit scores since June 2023.

+CLT10 effective since July 2025.

Reading and Writing Alternate Placement Criteria using a course grade earned at a Florida public high school or through AP, IB, Cambridge/AICE

TEST ID >	TEST ID = HSCOURSE (Unweighted high school GPA of 3.0 AND B* or better)
	*Course grades associated with a Test ID in MDConnect are converted to numbers (A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, F=1).
ENC1101	English 4, English 4 Honors course, or any AP, IB, Cambridge/AICE English course. Test Components for HS English courses in MDConnect begin with HSE followed by two numbers (e.g. HSE01).

*Course grades associated with a Test ID in MDConnect are converted to numbers (A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, F=1).

Mathematics Alternate Placement Criteria using a test score for demonstrating College readiness

TEST ID >	PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10 (PSATNMSQT10)	PreACT	CLT10+	GED	TASC	HiSET	BST/FSA (End of Course)	ALEKS PPL (ALEKSPPL)
Test Component >	Math or MAA^	Math	QR	Math (MREA)	Math	Math	Algebra 1 (ALG1) or Geometry (GEOM)	Math
MAT 1033 MGF 1130* MGF 1131*	≥ 24 or ≥ 480^	≥ 22	16 -18	165-174	≥ 560	≥ 15	≥ Level 4	30-45
MAC 1105 MAC 1106 STA 2023	≥ 26.5 or ≥ 530^	≥ 22	19 - 25	175 – 200	≥ 700	≥ 18	Not applicable	46-60
	≥ 31 or ≥ 620^ Refer to Math Department	≥ 27 Refer to Math Department	≥ 26 -40 Refer to Math Department					61-75 (MAC 1114, MAC 1140, MAC 1147, MAC 2344)
								76-100 (MAC 2311)

*Courses designated for Mathematical Thinking (Non-Algebra) Pathway students. ^Digital SAT 3-digit scores since June 2023.

+CLT10 effective since July 2025.

Mathematics Alternate Placement Criteria using a course grade earned at a Florida public high school or through AP, IB, Cambridge/AICE

TEST ID >	TEST ID = HSCOURSE (Unweighted high school GPA of 3.0 AND B* or better)
	*Course grades associated with a Test ID in MDConnect are converted to numbers (A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, F=1). Any student who meets minimum college readiness level may use just course grade for higher level math courses.
MAT1033 MGF 1130* MGF 1131*	Algebra 1, Algebra 1 Honors, Algebra 2, Algebra 2 Honors, Pre-Calculus Honors, Calculus Honors, Geometry, Geometry Honors, Probability and Statistics with Applications Honors, Math for College Algebra, Math for College Statistics, Math for College Liberal Arts, or any AP, IB, Cambridge/AICE math course. Test Components for HS Math courses in MDConnect begin with HSM followed by two numbers (e.g. HSM01).
MAC1105 MAC1106 STA 2023	Algebra 2, Algebra 2 Honors, Pre-Calculus Honors, Calculus Honors, or any AP, IB, Cambridge/AICE math course. Probability and Statistics course can only be used for MGF1131 or STA 2023.
MAC 1114 MAC 1140 MAC 1147 MAC 2233	Pre-Calculus Honors or Calculus Honors course, or any Mathematics course offered through the AP, IB, or Cambridge/AICE programs that would grant the equivalent course credit.
MAC 2311	Calculus course or any Mathematics course offered through the AP, IB, or Cambridge/AICE programs that would grant the equivalent course credit.

*Courses designated for Mathematical Thinking (Non-Algebra) Pathway students.

SPECIAL NOTE: Test scores are **not** required for exempt students. Exempt students are all students who entered 9th grade in a Florida public school in the 2003-2004 school year, or any year thereafter, and earned a standard diploma from a Florida public high school and students who are serving as active-duty members of any branch of the United States Armed Forces.