

ENGLISH COMPOSITION PLACEMENT INFORMATION, 2022-2023

Visit our Composition Program website (<https://mucompositionprogram.wordpress.com>) to learn more about our courses.

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR THIS ACADEMIC YEAR: Below are the *standard* guidelines for placement in English Composition courses for the 2022-2023 academic year. HOWEVER, due to Covid-19, some students may still not have test scores to use for placement. Therefore, for AY 2022-23, placement in Composition courses should follow the following protocol:

- We will place students based on ACT/SAT scores *and only accept high school GPA if students have no test scores.*
- If the HS GPA and test scores indicate different placements, we will defer to the ACT/SAT scores (since data analysis indicates that HS GPA is not predictive of success in ENG 101)
- In AY 2023/24, the composition program will return to only taking test scores.

Students who have no test scores and have an overall 3.0 (or higher) GPA should be placed in English 101. Students with GPAs below a 3.0 should be placed in 101P. **Academic advisors will be notified if this temporary policy changes at any point in the 2022-2023 academic year.** Also, students who inquire about 201H should contact Dr. Megan Marshall (marshallme@marshall.edu).

ACT Verbal Scores¹	
17-below	ENG 101 Plus (P) ² —See note below about high school GPA. ³
18-27	ENG 101
28-33	ENG 201H (not restricted to Honors students)—Students who pass ENG 201H with a C or better receive credit for both ENG 101 and 201.
34-36	Students receive credit for ENG 101 and 201 (contact Dr. Megan Marshall -- marshallme@marshall.edu for details.)
SAT Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	
<470	ENG 101P—See note below about high school GPA. ⁴
480-630	ENG 101
640-760	ENG 201H (not restricted to Honors students)—Students who pass ENG 201H with a C or better receive credit for both ENG 101 and 201.
770-800	Students receive credit for ENG 101 and 201 (contact Dr. Megan Marshall -- marshallme@marshall.edu for details)
Honors College Students	
	Honors College students should be placed in ENG 200H. If they pass ENG 200H with a C or higher, they receive credit for ENG 101 and 201 (though many will have scores that already take care of the composition requirement or AP or dual-enrollment credit for one or both classes).
Advanced Placement	
Score of <u>3</u> on English Language and Composition	ENG 101
Score of <u>4</u> on English Language and Composition	Credit granted for ENG 101 and 201

¹ The English Department no longer issues placement exams for students without ACT or SAT scores. Students without standardized test scores or with outdated scores should contact Dr. Megan Marshall, Coordinator of Composition, about placement options: marshallme@marshall.edu.

² ENG 101P and ENG 101 count as the same general education composition requirement. Students who pass ENG 101P or ENG 101 with a C or better move on to ENG 201.

³ A student with a 17 ACT Verbal and an overall high school GPA of 3.3 may self-select to take ENG 101 instead of ENG 101P. Please review high school GPAs in these instances and consult with the student about this option.

⁴ A student with a 470 SAT ERW and an overall high school GPA of 3.3 may self-select to take ENG 101 instead of ENG 101P. Please review high school GPAs in these instances and consult with the student about this option.