

Hello, MPC students! The Math and English Departments would like to inform you of some changes related to math and English registration here at MPC. In response to a new law in California called AB705 as well as data showing how we can maximize the chances that students complete transfer level math and English, MPC will be changing how we place students into our math and English sequences.

Starting in Fall 2019, all students will be eligible to enroll directly in a transfer level math course. All students will be eligible to enroll directly in either

- Math 10 - Mathematics for General Education
- Math 16 - Elementary Statistics.

Students who have achieved a grade of C or better in Algebra 2 in high school or at another college will be able to enroll directly in

- Math 12 - Number Systems
- Math 13 - Precalculus
- Math 17 - Finite Mathematics
- Math 18 - Calculus and Analytic Geometry for Biology / Soc Sci / Business

Students who have taken more advanced math in high school may be able to enroll directly in Math 20A - Calculus I, depending on their specific grades and coursework.

In addition, all students will be eligible to enroll directly in a transfer-level English course:

- English 1A - College Composition.

MPC will begin to offer 2 unit support courses for students who would like extra help developing the math or English skills used in the transfer-level class. These support courses would be taken during the same semester as the transfer-level course.

Students will no longer be required to take a placement exam to determine which math or English course they are prepared for. Instead of an exam, MPC will give students a math placement by evaluating their US high school GPA and grades in US high school math courses, along with other measures. Based on MPC's evaluation of their previous math coursework and GPA, students might be recommended or required to enroll in one of the support courses alongside the transfer-level course. If recent high school data is not available, or if the high school is outside the US, MPC will offer a self-placement tool to help students determine which math course they should take.

For English, MPC will give students a recommendation based on their high school GPA. If a student does not have a recent high school GPA or would like to consider other measures to help determine which course would be best for them, MPC will offer a simple, easy to use

self-placement tool. Students will then determine which transfer-level English course they should take, either English 1A OR English 1A plus English 101A (the 2-unit support course).

MPC will continue to offer a limited number of pre-transfer-level math courses (Math 351, 260, 261, 263) and English courses (English 111, 351, 352) for students who choose to take them and who think that the extra preparatory work for math or English will give them the greatest chance of completing their educational goals, but no student will be required to take these courses.

If you have questions about Math or English placement, we highly recommended that you meet with a counselor to discuss your status in both math and English. The counselor will be able to assist you with identifying the math and English course(s) required for your academic and career goals.