



**AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE
ASSESSMENT CENTER**

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http://www.arc.losrios.edu/Support_Services/Assessment.htm

Office Hours:
 Mon. - Thr. 8 am – 7 pm
 Fri. 8 am – 5 pm
Recess: Mon. - Fri. 8 am – 5 pm

Testing Hours: See below.

Students taking two or more tests should arrive at least three hours before closing.

... TESTING CALENDAR ...

IMPORTANT

Arrive ... ESL test - at least 30 minutes before ESL start times.*

All other tests - anytime before last seating shown.**

Bring ... Your photo ID.

Know ... Your Los Rios Student ID Number.

Go to ... Student Services Building.

Park in ... Any student lot or Parking Structure - \$2.00.

Test/assessment descriptions ... are on the back side.

* **ESL** - times are *ONLY* for non-native speakers taking English as a Second Language test for placement. **Arrive 30 minutes early.**

** **Grad** - times are *ONLY* for AA/AS Degree graduation competency tests.

DECEMBER 2017

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	2 ESL 9 am* 9 am – 2 pm (last seating 12 pm)
4 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	5 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	6 12 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	7 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	8 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	9
11 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	12 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	13 12 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	14 Grad 9 am – 11 am 1 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	15 No Testing	16
18 No Testing	19 9 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	20 9 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	21 No Testing	22 HOLIDAY	23
25 HOLIDAY	26 HOLIDAY	27 HOLIDAY	28 HOLIDAY	29 HOLIDAY	30

NOVEMBER 2017

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1 ESL 3 pm*	2 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	3 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	4 ESL 9 am* 9 am – 2 pm (last seating 12 pm)
6 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	7 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	8 2 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	9 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	10 HOLIDAY	11
13 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	14 Grad 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	15 ESL 1 pm* 2 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	16 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	17 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	18
20 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	21 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	22 2 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	23 HOLIDAY	24 HOLIDAY	25
27 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	28 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	29 ESL 3 pm*	30 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)		

JANUARY 2018

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 HOLIDAY	2 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	3 9 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	4 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	5 9 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	6
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15 HOLIDAY	16 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	17 ESL 11 am* 12 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	18 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	19 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	20 ESL 9 am* 9 am – 2 pm (last seating 12 pm)
22 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	23 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	24 ESL 1 pm* 2 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	25 Grad 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	26 9 am – 5 pm (last seating 2 pm)	27
29 9 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	30 ESL 9 am* 10 am – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)	31 2 pm – 7 pm (last seating 5 pm)			

TESTS OFFERED

English - CTEP

The English test measures reading and writing skills. It is composed of three sections: reading comprehension, sentence structure & grammar, and sentence & syntax skills. It is administered on the computer and is timed. Allow one hour and thirty minutes. A student may retest one time, District-wide, after a 30-calendar-day waiting period. Assessment is for *initial* course placement only. Any student who has started the course sequence will be referred to the English Department to pursue a Prerequisite Challenge.

Math - ACCUPLACER

This standardized math test is for students who wish to enroll in any math course at ARC, or who may want to take a math course at another Los Rios college. It is administered on the computer and is not timed. Allow approximately one hour. No personal calculators are allowed. A calculator will be provided. A student may retest one time, District-wide, after a 30-calendar-day waiting period. Assessment is for *initial* course placement only. Any student who has started the course sequence should contact the Assessment Center to discuss their possible eligibility to test or retest. Students may be referred to the Math Department for further clarification. **Students are encouraged to review math concepts before testing, especially if one or more years have passed since taking a math class. A more accurate course placement will result.**

ESL – ACCUPLACER & Writing Sample

The English as a Second Language (ESL) test is for students whose native language is not English and who wish to enroll in ESL classes. The test consists of four sections. Listening, reading, and grammar are administered on the computer and are not timed. The Writing Sample is timed for 30 minutes. **Arrive 30 minutes before scheduled start time.** Allow 3 hours total. A student may retest one time, District-wide, after a 30-calendar-day waiting period. Assessment is for *initial* course placement only. Any student who has started the course sequence will be referred to the Humanities Department to pursue a Prerequisite Challenge.

Chemistry - CCDT

The Chemistry test is recommended for students wishing to enroll in Chemistry 400, General Chemistry. It consists of general chemistry topics, lab skills questions and mathematics. A calculator and periodic table will be provided. This test is paper/pencil based and is 45 minutes in length. Only one attempt is permitted.

Graduation Competency for AA/AS Degree

The reading and math graduation competencies may be satisfied by completing specific courses as listed in the graduation competency section of the ARC catalog or by passing the competency examination through the Assessment Center. Students should consult with their counselor to determine whether an examination is needed and which math level should be completed, based on the catalog year.

Reading – ACCUPLACER

The test is composed of reading passages followed by questions regarding the content. It is administered on the computer and is not timed. This exam may be taken during “Grad” times or during regular testing sessions, but may not be taken during designated “ESL” hours. Allow 1 hour. Only two attempts District-wide are permitted.

Math – DTMS/ Los Rios Mathematics Competency Exam

In order to test, students must submit a *Mathematics Competency Approval Form* signed by their counselor **for every test and retest**. The math competency exam is administered only during “Grad” times or by appointment. No calculators are permitted. A maximum of 4 attempts within a two-year period (2 times per semester, once in summer, 30 days between attempts) is allowed District-wide.

The Elementary Algebra test is paper/pencil based and is 30 minutes in length.

Intermediate Algebra test is paper/pencil based and is 60 minutes in length.

Learning and Study Strategies Inventory – LASSI

This inventory is used to assess students’ awareness of their use of learning and study strategies. It is administered on the computer and is not timed. Allow 30 minutes.

SAMPLE TESTS

Sample tests for English, math, ESL, reading competency, and math competency are available online at http://www.arc.losrios.edu/Support_Services/Assessment.htm or in the Assessment Center.

RESULTS

Results are available immediately upon the conclusion of the test. ESL results are available in 3 working days.

ASSESSMENT PLACEMENT EXPIRATION DATES

Effective February 16, 2013 District rules have changed regarding the expiration date of your assessment placement results. Please refer to the Assessment Center website for detailed information.

Testing
Schedule

