ENGLISH PLACEMENT INFORMATION
FOR NEW STUDENTS TO IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

If you are an incoming freshman or transfer student who has NOT taken an English Composition course in college AND your first language is English, then the following information applies:

- If you scored a 24 or higher on the ACT in the English section or SAT-Verbal of 550 or higher, you will automatically be placed in the second of the two required English courses at Iowa State University, English 250.
  OR
- If you scored a 23 on the English portion of the ACT (SAT-V of 540) AND you are in the top 25% of your high school graduating class, you also qualify to be placed in the English 250 course.

- If your ACT English score was 16-22/23 (SAT less than 540), you will automatically be placed in the first required English composition course, English 150.

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If you are a Non-Native Speaker of English (a student whose first language is not English) then the following applies:

- You are exempt from taking the English Test for Non-Native Speakers of English if you graduated from a U.S. high school and had an ACT-E score of 16 or higher or SAT-V of 410 or higher.

- If you do not meet the exemption status, then you are required to register and take the English Placement Test for Non-Native Speakers. Information, registration, dates and locations are available at [http://apling.public.iastate.edu/ept.html](http://apling.public.iastate.edu/ept.html). Please sign up here to take the test.