

Reading Placement at Oakton Community College

Placement helps students and their advisors choose the right courses to successfully achieve their goals. Oakton uses ACCUPLACER® Reading tests as one method to place students into reading courses. Students who self-identify as native speakers of English take the “Next-Generation Reading Comprehension” test. Students who self-identify as English as a second language speakers take the ESL Reading Comprehension and Sentence Skills Tests.

Below are charts indicating course placement based on the ACCUPLACER® assessment score (Effective 10/15/18)

Native Speaker Reading Comprehension Scores		ESL Reading Comprehension Scores	
Below 221	Retest/See advisor	Below 110	A.L.L.*
		110 – 150	EGL 072
221 – 234	EGL 092	151 – 182	EGL 073
235 – 249	EGL 094	183 – 214	EGL 089
250 and above	EGL 110	215 and above	EGL 110
		*Students who place into A.L.L. should contact the Alliance for Lifelong Learning team at 847-635-1426 for information about available reading courses.	

Developmental English & Credit ESL Reading and Writing Course Sequences

To best meet the needs of all Oakton students, there are two paths to English 110 (reading) and English 101 (writing)

Native Speaker Sequence		Non-Native Speaker Sequence	
Reading	Writing	Reading	Writing
		A.L.L.	A.L.L.
		EGL 072 – Reading & Study Skills II (Mandatory)	EGL 075 – Academic Writing II (Mandatory)
EGL 092 – Reading Skills Development (Mandatory)	EGL 096 – Developmental Composition I	EGL 073 – Reading & Study Skills III (Mandatory)	EGL 076 – Academic Writing III (Mandatory)
EGL 094 – Reading Improvement (Mandatory)	EGL 097 or EGL 099** –Developmental Composition II	EGL 089 – Reading & Study Skills IV (Mandatory)	EGL 090 – Academic Writing IV
EGL 110 – College Reading	EGL 101 – Composition I	EGL 110 – College Reading	EGL 101 – Composition 1 ***
	EGL 099 is taken in the same semester as EGL 101	* Oakton offers special sections of EGL 101 and 102 for non-native speakers of English. They have the same requirements and carry the same transfer credit as EGL 101	
Mandatory reading classes are EGL 072, 073, 089, 092, and 094. Students who place into these classes must register for the course in order to take any other courses at Oakton. If students drop a <i>mandatory reading or writing course</i> , all other classes will be dropped.			