

**FRESHMAN PLACEMENT GUIDELINES FOR MATHEMATICS COURSES**  
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*Students considering an entry-level course in Mathematics at MC should consider the following guidelines:*

**MATH ACT below 16**

- MAT 100 – College Algebra Basics
- MAT 111 – College Algebra with Applications, only provided that the student has grades of B or better in high school Algebra I and II

**MATH ACT between 16 and 20**

- MAT 105 – Contemporary Mathematics (preferred), or
- MAT 111 – College Algebra with Applications

**MATH ACT between 21 and 25**

*These students should not take College Algebra unless the major department requires the course.*

- MAT 113 - College Trigonometry – (Sciences or proceeding to Calculus I)
- MAT 205 - Finite Mathematics – (Business/Social Sciences)
- MAT 207 - Elementary Statistics – (Anyone)
- MAT 213 - Applied Linear Algebra – (Sciences or Business)

**MAT ACT 25 or higher**

- MAT 121 - Calculus I with Analytic Geometry

Additionally, students who have already taken trigonometry, pre-calculus or calculus in high school and received a grade of C or better could be advised to register for MAT 121 at Mississippi College.

*Any student or advisor who has a question regarding prerequisites is welcome to contact the Mathematics Department via [dwatson@mc.edu](mailto:dwatson@mc.edu) or call 601-925-3217.*