

The Faculty Senate moves to amend the 2014 Catalog to reflect a new Mathematics and Developmental Mathematics placement policy, as indicated below:

Effective: Fall 2014

Rationale:

The Mathematics and Developmental Education Departments are moving to a new UAF Math Placement Test administered by ALEKS PPL for placement into all core Math and DEVM classes. In order for students to be placed into a DEVM or core MATH course, students who do not meet the prerequisite (either by having taken a prerequisite course at UAF or as a transfer course, or by having AP credit) will be required to take the UAF Math Placement Test regardless of their SAT/ACT scores. That is, this new UAF Math Placement Test will replace ACT/SAT/ACCUPLACER/COMPASS. Student's initial assessment can be done via the internet. Students who are dissatisfied with their initial placement or who want to review material in preparation for their course will have access to a six-week learning module that can be used to study and improve the test score. An additional four retests are available to the student at no extra charge, and the total cost of the five placement attempts and the six weeks of targeted individual study is \$

The Math and Developmental Math faculty believe that the new placement test system provides a clear mechanism for students to challenge a placement, and provides a means for students to refresh their memory of prerequisite material and place into a level math

identified source of internal funding for the exams. However, if the new placement policy works as expected fewer students will be repeating courses or being placed in courses that are inappropriate to their skill level, reducing their very real tuition expenses and opportunity cost.

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Pages 334 of current 2013-4 Catalog:

#### PLACEMENT BY TEST

Students need to have UA approved placement test scores ~~RE~~ prior to registering for [[their first semester]] classes ~~RE~~

~~RE~~ Students place into ~~RE~~

classes in the

[[ENGLISH]] ~~10~~

(We will address changes to English (Writing/Reading) placement in a later motion.)

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## MATHEMATICS

Mathematics course placement varies according to the type of degree the student is planning to pursue and the corresponding math course(s) needed. (See the degree program requirements for

