

Math Placement Information

Step 1 of the Placement Process: Earned College Credit

AP Credit for Calculus I and/or II:

If you take and earn a 3 or more on the Advanced Placement AB Calculus Exam, you get College Credit for Calculus I and are automatically placed into Calculus II. (If you pass the BC Exam, you automatically place into Calculus III)

Caution: A score of 3 is an indication that you may not be adequately prepared for Calculus II. Our department recommends that you consider taking Calculus I instead. If you choose to take Calculus I, **DO NOT COMPLETE THE PAPERWORK NECESSARY TO ADD THE AP CREDIT TO YOUR TRANSCRIPT!** For programs that require Calculus, Calculus I is considered your first freshman math course, so taking Calculus I does not put you behind in your program.

For some majors, Calculus I may be all the mathematics required, and you will not have to take any mathematics in college (though you might want to just for fun!).

Note: You may not know the result of your AP exam by the time you arrive at orientation. Discuss this with your advisor at that time. At SDSU you will register for the course in which you are placed, then may make a change once you receive your AP results.

Note: At SDSU, if you take and pass the AP exam for Statistics, you receive credit for Stat 281, but this will not affect your placement for other math courses.