

FIRST YEAR PLACEMENT AND EARLY START

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Agenda

1. Evaluation of Academic Preparation
2. Math and Writing Placement
3. The Early Start Program

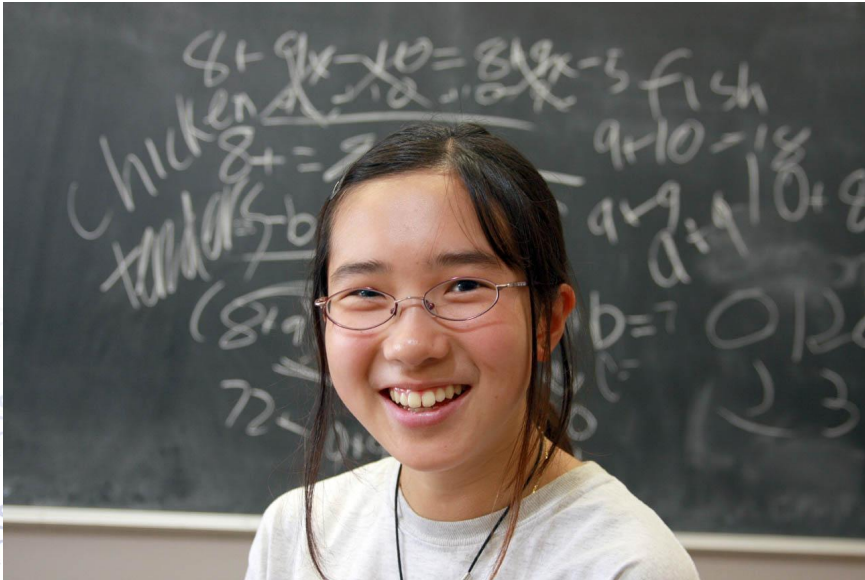
First Year Course Placement 2024

The CSU evaluates academic preparation through **Multiple Measures** criteria, which take into account...

- Overall HS GPA
- HS Math GPA
- Accumulated coursework
- Some senior year coursework
- Standardized tests...
 - AP/IB Exams
 - CLEP Exams
 - CAASPP/SBAC
 - SAT and ACT
- Campus-based measures such as the Reflection on College Writing (RCW) and Precalculus Proficiency Assessment (PPA)

First Year Course Placement 2024

On the basis of this evaluation, students will be placed into one of four enrollment categories in Mathematics and Writing:



Cat I: Fulfilled the GE Area (A2 or B4)

Cat II: Ready to enroll in a GE class without support

Cat III: Ready to enroll in a **supported** GE class; Early Start **recommended**

Cat IV: Ready to enroll in a **supported** GE class; Early Start **strongly recommended**

What does it mean for a course to be “Supported?”



Students in enrollment categories III and IV will enroll in **supported** courses.

- Stretch courses
- Co-requisite courses
- Embedded tutors or mentors

Why Do Enrollment Categories Matter?

Your enrollment categories determine...

- Your first year course options
- The forms of academic support available to you
- Your Early Start opportunities



Are there any special considerations in Math?

All majors are categorized by curricular focus:

- STEM/Business Administration
- Statistics-based
- Non-STEM
- Undeclared

Math enrollment categories are calculated differently for students entering majors that require calculus.



How do I check my enrollment categories?

Your enrollment categories may change throughout the summer as we receive test scores and evaluate your final transcript. To check your current categories in your MySJSU, look at your CSU Program Page in MySJSU...

Writing Enrollment Category

II - Ready to enroll in GE A2
II - Ready to enroll in GE A2

Math Enrollment Category

IV-Enroll in GE B4 with support and Early Start
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Supported Instruction Website

For more information, refer to the Supported Instruction website:

sjsu.edu/supportedinstruction

You will find...

- Policies pertaining to the completion of your GE math and writing requirements
- Enrollment category information
- Resources and references to support programs across campus



STEM Math Pathways at SJSU

Science, Engineering, & Mathematics: A Calculus Pathway

Category M-IV

MATH 01: Math Reasoning
+ co-requisite support



Category M-II (or III)

MATH 18A/18B or 19:
Precalculus (+ co-requisite
support)



Category M-I, II, III, or IV + PPA

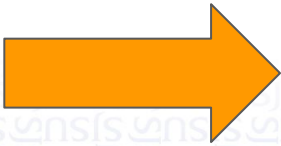
MATH 30 or 30X: Calculus I

STEM Math Pathways at SJSU

Aviation and Technology: Another Calculus Pathway

Category M-IV

MATH 01: Math Reasoning
+ co-requisite support



Category M-II (or III)

MATH 18A: College Algebra (+
co-requisite support with PPA)



Category M-I, II, III, or IV + PPA

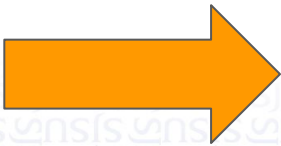
MATH 71 or 71X: Calculus for
Business and Aviation

STEM Math Pathways at SJSU

Business Administration: A Third Intensive Math Pathway

Category M-IV

MATH 01: Math Reasoning
+ co-requisite support



Category M-II (or III)

MATH 18A: College Algebra (+
co-requisite support with PPA)



Category M-I, II, III, or IV + PPA

MATH 70 or 70X: Mathematics for
Business

STEM Math Pathways at SJSU

Q: “It looks as though I’ll be M-II, III, or IV and I want to get into a Calculus class right away. How do I do that?”

A: Unless you have AP exam credit, IB exam credit, CLEP credit, or transfer credit from a community college, you will have to take the **Precalculus Proficiency Assessment (PPA)**.

After May 15 (Intent to Enroll), check your MySJSU Message Center for information from the **SJSU Testing Office** about the PPA.

If you do not complete the PPA before Orientation, you may have a chance to complete it **early in the morning** of the first day. (**Not recommended!**)

Non-STEM Math Pathways at SJSU

Statistics:

- There are **7** different versions of **Elementary Statistics** at SJSU. The one you take will be determined by your major and enrollment category.

Humanities and Arts:

- CS 22A: Python for Everyone
- MATH 10A: Mathematics in Art & Music (+ co-requisite support)
- MATH 10D: Probability, Data Science, Ethics, and You (+ co-requisite support)
- MATH 10P: Mathematics in Politics (+ co-requisite support)
- LING 26: Quantitative Reasoning in Linguistic Diversity (+ co-requisite support)
- PHIL 09: Mathematics and Logic for General Education (+ co-requisite support)

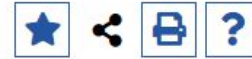
Undeclared:

- Undeclared students will work with Exploratory Student Success Center (ESSC) to follow the math pathway of their intended major.

Check your Four Year Roadmap for More Info

MyRoadmaps Catalog

4-Year Roadmaps (2023-2024)



Click the “Print Degree” icon on a roadmap page to save a PDF on your desktop or to print a physical copy to take advising notes.

[Sorted by College](#) | [Sort by Department](#)

<https://catalog.sjsu.edu/content.php?catoid=10&navoid=5272>

Supported Math Pathways at SJSU

Q: “I have been placed into M-III or M-IV but I feel I should be in M-II. What can I do to change my course options?”

A: If you feel that your enrollment category is inaccurate on the basis of your academic credentials, contact Supported Instruction to appeal your placement. **Be prepared to explain what multiple measures criteria would place you in a higher enrollment category.**

The email address is supportedinstruction@sjsu.edu.

Written Communication Pathways at SJSU

Reflection on College Writing (RCW):

Before Frosh Orientation, students are required to complete an online reflection exercise in Canvas designed to gauge their level of comfort with academic reading and writing.



Written Communication Pathways at SJSU

Course Options to satisfy written communication (A2) for students in W-II, W-III, and W-IV:

- **English 1A:** Students who feel comfortable with the RCW tasks may choose a **one-semester** writing course.
- **English 1AF and English 1AS:** Students who **do not** feel confident completing the RCW tasks may choose a **two-semester** stretch writing course.
- Students who choose the stretch option **must** enroll in the second semester course in the spring.



A2 and B4 Expectations for Completion

- **All students** must enroll in A2 and/or B4 courses in their first year of enrollment.
- **Students in the W-IV and/or M-IV enrollment categories** must enroll in A2 and/or B4 classes in the fall term of their first year and must remain continuously enrolled in A2 and/or B4 courses until these GE requirements are met.



A2 and B4 Expectations for Completion

- Students who do not satisfy their A2 and/or B4 requirements in their first year (including summer) will be placed upon administrative academic probation (AAP) before the start of the second year.
- Those who do not complete A2 and/or B4 by the end of the second year of enrollment (including summer) may be withdrawn from the university under administrative academic disqualification (AADQ).



Early Start Program 2024



Early Start is an online summer skill-building program for students in the supported enrollment categories.

- **Recommended but not required** for students in math categories M-III and M-IV. Some options are available for students in M-II.
- This summer, we have space for 400 first year students.
- **Most Pell-eligible students receive a full fee waiver** for their Early Start classes.

Early Start Program 2024 Course Options



STEM

- MATH 18A: College Algebra
- MATH 19: Precalculus

NON-STEM

- PHIL 9: Mathematics & Logic for GE
- MATH 10D: Probability, Data Science, Ethics, & You
- LING 26: Quantitative Reasoning in Linguistic Diversity

STATISTICS

- UNVS 15: Statway

Early Start Program 2024



Other Early Start Programming

- Extra help workshops attached to every class
- Tutoring available for every class
- First Year Writing mini-course
- Campus exploration mini-course
- Student success workshops focusing on a variety of college skills such as persistence, time management, studying for tests, self-advocacy, etc.

Early Start Program 2024



IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, April 13	SJSU Early Start Interest Form opens
Thursday, April 25	Zoom Information Sessions begin
Wednesday, June 12	Last day to register for Early Start
Monday, June 17	Early Start classes begin
Friday, July 19 & Saturday, July 20	Preferred Sparta Camp for Early Start students
Friday, August 2	Last Day of SJSU Early Start Classes

Early Start Program 2024



**FILL OUT OUR INTEREST FORM FOR PROGRAM
INFORMATION AND UPDATES**



<https://forms.gle/jf9m8SAeSRWXiNWA6>

For more information...



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