Since math courses are demanding, it is important for students to begin in the course most likely to lead to success. Students can opt to take the ALEKS math assessment to potentially place into a higher level math than what their High School data will allow. Kennesaw State University offers the ALEKS Placement for students planning to take Calculus I (MATH 1190), Elementary Applied Calculus (MATH 1160), or Pre-Calculus (MATH 1113).

What is ALEKS?

ALEKS is a powerful artificial-intelligence based assessment tool that zeros in on the strengths and weaknesses of a student’s mathematical knowledge, reports its findings to the student, and then provides the student with a learning environment for improving this knowledge to an appropriate level for course placement.

After completing the initial assessment, students can improve their math skills using the included learning modules and then retest in a proctored environment. It is this proctored assessment that is used to place students into the appropriate courses. Additional information is provided online: [http://csm.kennesaw.edu/mathematics/placement/index.php](http://csm.kennesaw.edu/mathematics/placement/index.php)

What Math can I take based off of my High School data?

Students are not required to take ALEKS Math Assessment however by taking the assessment, it may place them into a higher math course.

- **MATH 1101 Intro to Math Modeling or MATH 1111 College Algebra**: Anyone can start here, but you might be able to start higher!

- **MATH 1112 College Trigonometry**: You can start here if you have a SAT MATH score of 570 or above (ACT MATH 23 or above) AND a high school GPA of 2.8 or above

- **MATH 1113 Precalculus**: You can start here if you have a SAT MATH score of 590 or above (ACT MATH 25 or above) AND a high school GPA of 3.0 or above

- **MATH 1190 Calculus I**: You can start here if you have a SAT MATH score of 620 or above (ACT MATH 26 or above) AND a high school GPA of 3.2 or above

- **MATH 1160 Elementary Applied Calculus**: You can start here if you have a SAT MATH score of 620 or above (ACT MATH 26 or above) AND a high school GPA of 3.2 or above

*Students completing MATH 1111 and/or MATH 1112 may not also receive credit for MATH 1113 (and vice versa).*

How do I use ALEKS Placement?

- **STEP 1: Access Code**- Receive an access code from your major’s advisor and create log-in.

- **STEP 2: Unproctored Assessment**- Complete unproctored assessment online.

- **STEP 3: Learning Module**- Work on learning modules to better your placement from home.

- **STEP 4: Proctored Assessment**- When you’re ready, sign up for the proctored assessment!

*Contact your academic advisor or the College of Science and Mathematics Advising Center for help with the process.*

For technical support with the ALEKS system, please see [https://support.aleks.com](https://support.aleks.com).