

Policies for International Writing Placement Exam (IWPX)

Overview

The IWPX is an internal placement exam designed to place international students into the appropriate course for their level of academic reading and writing ability. The following are the means for determining who needs to take the IWPX and the Reading Placement exam (DRP).

International FITIAC Students

Most international students do not take the SAT or ACT. However, international students are treated the same as domestic students in regards to their SAT/ACT scores. For this reason, students with the following scores may not need to take the IWPX or the DRP.

Students who have the following scores do **not** need to take the IWPX (see <https://www.umflint.edu/english/writing-program-info>)

- ACT COMP: 22 or higher
- SAT Writing: 510 or higher
- SAT Writing and Language: 29 or higher
- SAT Total: 1110 or higher

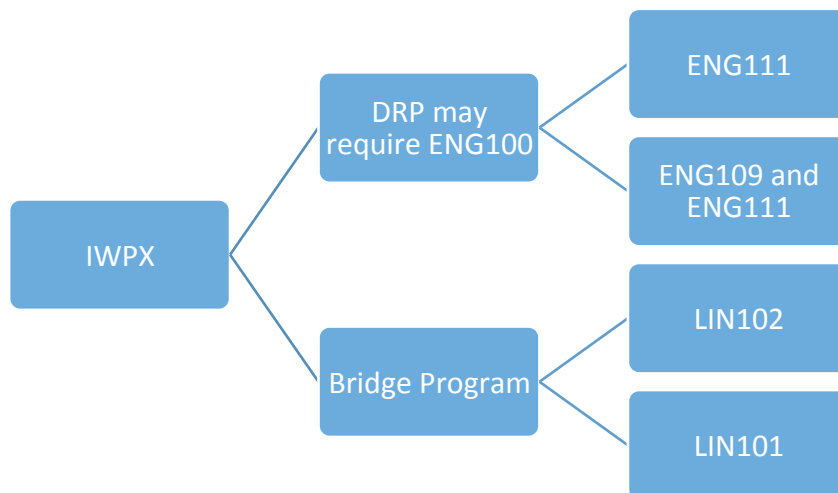
Students who have the following scores do **not** need to take the DRP (see <https://www.umflint.edu/english/writing-program-info>)

- ACT Reading: 19 or higher
- SAT Reading: 391 or higher
- SAT Reading and Writing: 481 or higher
- SAT Reading: 21 or higher
- Placement into Bridge Program classes LIN101 or LIN102

All other international FITIACS should take the IWPX. If students are placed into the Bridge Program, they do **not** take the DRP.

Students who take the IWPX and are placed into ENG111 (with or without ENG 109), must take the DRP. The DRP may place students into ENG100. Students will not be able to register for ENG112 without taking the DRP and ENG100 if placed into that course. ENG109 and ENG100 can be taken in the same semester as ENG111. These developmental courses must be completed before ENG112.

The chart below shows the placement process.

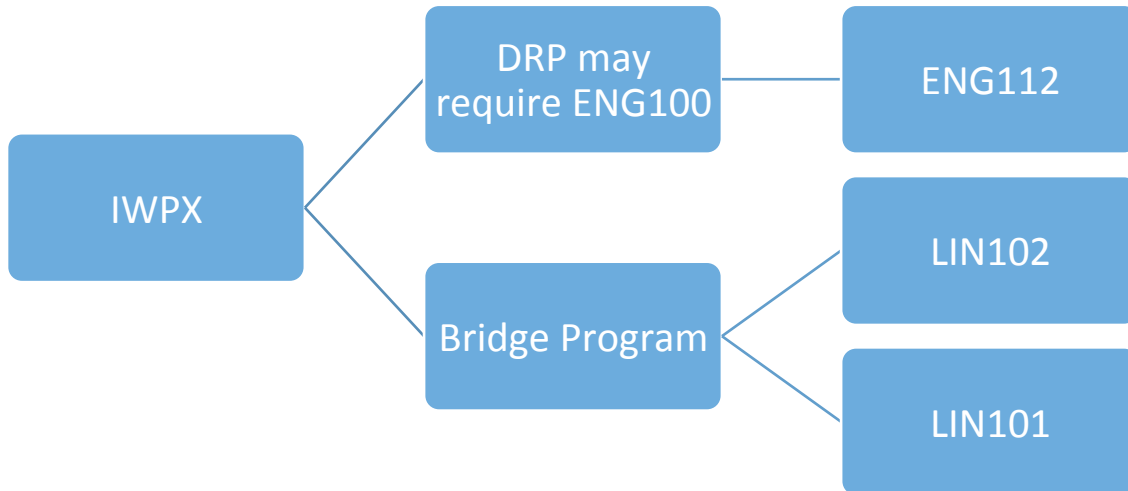


International Transfer Students

Students with SAT/ACT scores listed for FITIACs do **not** take the IWPX.

Students with ENG112 transfer credit do **not** take the IWPX.

Students with ENG111 transfer credit take the IWPX. If they are placed into Bridge Program courses, they will take those courses but will not be required to take ENG111 again. They can progress from LIN102 to ENG112.



International Exchange Students

Students not planning to enroll in ENG111 do **not** need to take the IWPX.

Students planning to enroll in ENG111 will need to take the IWPX.

Graduate Students

No graduate students take the IWPX

English Language Program (ELP) Students

No students registered in the ELP take the IWPX.

Former ELP students may take the IWPX, depending on the above charts.

Additional Resources for students who are not placed in the Bridge Program

- ENG110
- Marian Wright Writing Center
- Mango Languages (available through UM-Flint Library)
- Other online activities and resources for students:
 - <http://eolf.univ-fcomte.fr/?page=constructing-the-paragraph>
 - <http://www.uefap.com/grammar/gramfram.htm>
 - <http://www.englishvocabularyexercises.com/AWL/id21.htm>
 - <http://blog.tesol.org/15-academic-vocabulary-resources/>