Folsom Lake College ESL Online Assessment and Placement Process

What is Online ESL Placement?

The English as a Second Language (ESL) Online Placement process is for students whose native language is not English and who wish to enroll in ESL classes. It collects information from students who want to enroll in ESL courses.

The ESL Program at Folsom Lake College has five levels in Integrated Reading & Writing Courses, Grammar, and Listening & Speaking. We want to be sure that you start in courses that best match your English skills. Before completing our Online ESL Placement process, take a look at our courses below.

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<th>PROFICIENCY LEVELS</th>
<th>INTEGRATED READING &amp; WRITING (6 units) new</th>
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For the ESL Department to give you the most accurate placement possible, the Online Placement Process is organized into two parts.

- **Information about You and Your English Skills** has 17 multiple choice questions about your academic background, your listening and speaking skills, your reading skills, and your writing skills.

- **Placement Essay** asks you to write as much as you can about a specific topic for which you will have 50 minutes. Allow 2 hours for the placement process.

**How do you take the Online Placement Process?**

1. Once you make an appointment for the Online Placement process, you will receive an invitation to join the Canvas course – FLC Online ESL Placement -- and a brief welcome / “how to” email. You must accept that invitation and join.

2. Sign into the Canvas portal on time! Students who arrive late will not be able to complete the Placement process.

3. Before your appointment for the Online Placement Process, please study the information on the following pages. The information will help you prepare for and understand the Online Placement Process.
What does the Placement Process look like?

At the Canvas page, you will see a welcome message with instructions.

Click on the link on the bottom of the page for the survey **Information about You and Your English Skills**

This asks 17 questions about the student (Name, DOB, ID#), use of and previous education in English and skill level (self-judged) in listening, speaking, reading & writing.

It also shows model readings and sample student writings at each level and asks you to choose one that is the best match for what you can do in English. There is no score or grade for this part.

The survey **Information about You and Your English Skills** has some general and educational background questions. When you do the Online Placement, you will need to type in some answers and click in different places to answer some questions.
Click “Take the Survey” to begin.

Information about You and Your English Skills

Due: No due date  Questions 17  Time Limit: 60 Minutes

Instructions
Welcome to the FLC Guided Placement Process!

Step One: Click on the “Take the Survey” button and answer the questions.

Step Two: When you have answered all of the questions, use the “Submit Quiz” button on the lower right side of the page.

Step Three: Click “Next” in the lower right of the screen to go to the ESL Placement Essay.

Do NOT click “Submit Quiz” until you have finished all of Part 1.

Question 17
What is the best time for you to take classes at Folsom Lake College?
You may choose more than one answer.

- A. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- B. 12:00 - 3:30 p.m.
- C. 3:00 - 5:50 p.m.
- D. 6:00 - 8:50 p.m.
- E. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Friday
- F. Online
Then click “Next” to take you to the FLC ESL Placement Essay

You will have 50 minutes to write about the topic. And, please write as much as you can and as well as you can. Read the instructions. Read the topic in the Question box and type your writing sample. You should not have any help with this. **Click on “Take the Quiz” to begin.**

**FLC ESL Placement Essay**

| Due | No due date | Points | 6 | Questions | 1 | Time Limit | 60 Minutes |

**Instructions**

**Step One:** Click on the "Take the Quiz" button and write your answer to the question.

**Step Two:** When you have written your best answer to the question, use the "Submit Quiz" button on the lower right side of the page to finish the Essay section.

**Step Three:** Click on the "Next" button to get your final instructions for the FLC ESL Placement Process.
When you reach the end of Part 2 click on **Submit Quiz**.

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**FLC Online Placement Process**

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**After you finish**

You’ve completed the FLC ESL Online Placement!

**Congratulations!**

You’re all done. We will review your answers and score your essay to create a placement for courses in ESL (Integrated reading and writing), ESLG (grammar), and ESL (listening & speaking) at Folsom Lake College.

This process may take one to two weeks.

Your placements will appear in F*Services: Academic Record: Placements.

You will also get information in your Los Rios college email (username@aps.losrios.edu).

Thank you!

We look forward to seeing you in class soon!
Test results are available one week after completing the test. Your results will be available in your eServices account, Academic Records tile, Placements tab.