

# CSN Placement Test Study Guide Resources

## ALEKS Math Placement Test

CSN uses the ALEKS Placement, Preparation and Learning (ALEKS PPL) Assessment to determine readiness for mathematics courses. ALEKS PPL is an adaptive web-based program that can map a student's strengths and weaknesses. The Placement Assessment has up to 30 questions and generally takes 60-90 minutes to complete. After taking the Placement Assessment, an individualized Prep and Learning Module is available for students to refresh their knowledge on forgotten topics. Students will have the opportunity to reassess and improve their placement.

ALEKS consists of three parts:

- An initial placement assessment
- The Prep and Learning Module (This is individualized to your mathematical needs.)
- Access to 4 Additional Attempts at the Placement (If you are unhappy with their initial placement.)
- **The Prep and Learning Module at [csn.edu/math-placement](https://csn.edu/math-placement)**

***CSN requires that students spend 3-8 additional hours in the Prep and Learning module before re-attempting the placement assessment.***

Additional Study Guide **before** taking the ALEKS Math Placement:

1. [www.mathhelp.com/aleks-math-test-prep/](https://www.mathhelp.com/aleks-math-test-prep/)  
Prep for the ALEKS Math Placement Test (Free Course) \*click on (Start Course)  
**Do not take the Final on this website. This is only for studying purposes.**
2. <https://www.youtube.com/@professorLeonard/courses>

## Reading Placement Test

Reading Placement Test is a comprehension exam that allows students to enter **CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant), Phlebotomy for NHA program, and Central Sterile** entry at CSN.

Link for sample Reading Placement Exam questions below.

**<https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students/prepare-for-accuplacer/practice>**

## Chemistry Diagnostic Placement Test

This Diagnostic test allows students to **bypass Chem103 to register for Chem 121.**

Reference Material: Inquire about the book at the CSN Library Reference Desk

Book Title: Preparing for your ACS Examination in General Chemistry

Chapters to study:

Atomic Structure

Molecular Structure and Bonding

Stoichiometry

Descriptive Chemistry/Periodicity

Link for practice questions for the CSN Chemistry Placement Exam below.

**<https://www.csn.edu/sites/default/files/documents/department-documents/department-of-physical-sciences/chemplacementtestpractice.pdf>**