

CHEMISTRY PLACEMENT TEST (CPT)

Students who wish to register for CHEM131, Principles of Chemistry, must meet one of the following prerequisites: 1) a grade of C or higher in CHEM099, Introductory Chemistry, within the past two years; 2) an appropriate score on the Chemistry Placement Test (CPT); or 3) consent of the department.

The purpose of the Chemistry Placement Test is to ensure that students are sufficiently prepared with the background knowledge and skills needed to succeed in CHEM131. The CPT is on material that students should already know from high school chemistry. To better prepare for the CPT, please review basic mathematical skills and chemical concepts found in the CHEM099 Introductory Chemistry textbook or the first 3-4 chapters of any college-level general chemistry textbook.

This test is a 30-minute, computer-based test, and use of a scientific, non-graphing calculator is allowed. It is recommended that the Chemistry Placement Test be taken at least one week before the student plans to register. The student will know their test results immediately following the test. If they pass, they will get an automatic override in Banner, enabling them to register for CHEM131 the following day. If they fail the test, they will be informed that they should register for CHEM099.

NOTE: Students may only attempt the Chemistry Placement Test once.

Please note the PRE- or CO-REQUISITE for CHEM131: Assessment levels: ENGL101/READ120; MATH093 or MATH096 or appropriate score on the mathematics placement test.

The Chemistry Placement Test is available on a walk-in basis at all three Campus Assessment Centers. Please check each Center's testing calendar for CPT testing hours.

For additional information, contact the campus Chemistry Departments at:

<http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/Departments/chemrv/> (Rockville)

<http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/edu/department2.aspx?id=13468> (Germantown)

<http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/Departments/phycitp/chemistry/> (Takoma Park/Silver Spring)