

Placement advice based on ALEKS score – Fall 2026

College of Business

Below you will find a recommended placement based on your ALEKS assessment score. The ALEKS score is the primary placement tool used at Lehigh and will guide your choice of courses at registration. Feel free to consult your advisor for help.

As part of the ALEKS assessment, you also receive recommended review modules for you to practice on the topics where you have room for improvement. We strongly recommend working through them, so that you can get as well prepared as possible before starting your Fall semester Mathematics course. After working the modules, you will also get the chance to retake the assessment and try to improve your score. ***If your score on your first ALEKS attempt is below 80, then please work through the tutorial modules and make a second attempt, even if your score is above the threshold for the calculus course you hope to take.***

ALEKS score

76 and above	We recommend taking MATH 021 or MATH 081. Both are suitable for your degree. Please consult your advisor with any questions on which one may align best with your curriculum plan. <i>(If your score is under 80, we strongly recommend you keep practicing with the review modules).</i>
70 – 75	We recommend taking MATH 081, or you may work on the recommended modules to try and improve your score to become eligible for MATH 021. You may take MATH 061/062 as seats permit. MATH 061/062 is a slower paced course over one year that meets the requirements for MATH 081.
65 – 69	We recommend working through the preparation modules in ALEKS to better prepare yourself to enroll in MATH 081. If your scores do not improve, we recommend taking MATH 061 Calculus with Business Applications I, Part A. MATH 061 (and its follow-up MATH 062 in Spring) will provide a slower paced experience with additional review that will take you to the equivalent of MATH 081 in one year as opposed to one semester. If you prefer to take MATH 081, you are able to do so, but highly recommend working through the ALEKS modules to improve your score and prepare you for MATH 081 at this pace.
64 and below	We recommend working through the preparation modules to better prepare yourself to enroll in MATH 081 or MATH 061. If your scores do not improve from this range, you will be eligible to take MATH 001. MATH 001 would be an appropriate preparation course that will get you ready to succeed in MATH 081.

In any case, if your score is close to the lower end of the range, take advantage of the Learning Modules in ALEKS and try to improve your score. Also consult your advisor to decide which class is the most suitable for you.