

English Placement Test 2 (Law & Mass Communication Programs in Arabic)

When you are admitted by the College of Arts and Sciences, you are required to take an English Placement Test (EPT). EPT 2 tests your readiness to join ENG100(AA). If you do not have the language ability required, you will be advised to join the preparatory course ENG100(P).

The test focuses on your overall academic reading, writing, and grammar skills.

How and where to register

You need to register online here: <https://www.adu.ac.ae/en/study/admissions/placement-tests/ept-law-mc>

If you face issues with online registration, please contact Ms. Amelita Regino on amelita.regino@adu.ac.ae

English Placement Test Dates

Check the date here: <https://www.adu.ac.ae/en/study/admissions/placement-tests/ept-law-mc>

Please refer to the Calendar section of the website for more details.

Important Notes:

- A student will be allowed to take the test only once. The test will determine if you are ready to take English courses in the College.
- The test is available online through www.blackboard.adu.ac.ae
- Make sure you are able to log in to Blackboard using your ID and password well before the time of the test using any browser.

Use Lockdown Browser with Webcam:

- The test requires Lockdown Browser which can be downloaded from here: <https://download.respondus.com/lockdown/download.php?id=292754289>
- When installed and run, it will take you to Blackboard to log in. Go to the *EPT2: English Placement Test (Law and Mass Communication programs in Arabic)* course to take the test.
- You will be recorded all the time during the test with your computer webcam. Make sure it is working.
- Before the test, dress appropriately. Since Lockdown Browser/Respondus detects suspicious behavior during the test, avoid visual and audio distractions or even lateral movements in order to reduce flags/warnings raised by the system.
- It is recommended that you take the trial test available in Blackboard before the time of the actual test to reduce the possibility of technical issues during the test.

Steps to Take the English Placement Test:

- Be ready online at 4:00pm on MS Teams to read instructions and ask any technical questions to a team of faculty and IT experts. At 4:10pm, the test will start and will take one and a half hours.
- Run Lockdown Browser/Respondus on your computer which will take you to Blackboard to log in with your ID and Password.
- Go to the *EPT2: English Placement Test (Law and Mass Communication programs in Arabic)* course to take the test.
- You will need to show a picture ID (ADU Student ID, Emirates ID, Driver's license, or Passport).
- When asked to show the environment, just show your desk. No books, notes, headphones, smart watches, or mobile phones allowed.
- No password will be needed for this test. If asked, just click enter or the submit button.
- Once the placement test starts, you will not be able to ask any questions. Your mobile phone should be put away.
- If you have any technical issues, you will be allowed to get your phone to contact IT through ithelpdesk@adu.ac.ae or by using the chat function available on MS Teams created especially for the EPT. You should provide evidence of the issue during the test (e.g. screenshot).
- If the technical issue you faced was not solved during the test period, you will need to provide evidence of the issue during test period to amelita.regino@adu.ac.ae . She will then contact you.

Results of the English Placement Test

Results will be posted on the web within 48 hours after the exam. You may contact CAS office – amelita.regino@adu.ac.ae

How students are placed after taking the test

Students will be placed either in ENG 100 (AA) (English I) or advised to take ENG100(P) (Preparatory English course for Law and Mass Communication) depending on how they perform in writing, reading, and grammar. We will consider a 70% score as the minimum to allow students to take ENG100(AA).