Understanding the EAP Conditional Status in English

Ready for CSU or Participating CCC College-Level English Courses – Conditional

Your EAP status of “Ready for CSU or participating CCC college-level English courses - Conditional,” indicates that you have more work to do during 12th grade to ensure you are eligible for college-level English courses ("Ready" status). Now they can also get an EAP Conditional status by scores on standardized tests:

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Ways to Satisfy the Conditional Status on the EAP in Your Senior Year

There are several ways to meet the requirement while you’re still in high school — and avoid taking remedial English courses.

- Expository Reading and Writing Course (ERWC) - Adopted as a full year course in the 12th grade being taught by a certified instructor.
- International Baccalaureate (IB) English
- Advanced Placement—Language and Composition or Literature and Composition
- English course approved for extra honors weight on the University of California "a-g" Doorways course list

National Standardized Tests: As a college-bound student, you’ll also be taking the SAT or ACT. Prepare well for these national standardized tests and you can satisfy the ELM requirement. A qualifying score on one of the following college placement tests fulfills the EPT requirement:

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<td>3 or more on either the Language and Composition or Literature and Composition exam</td>
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Community College Course: Ready status can be yours by getting a grade of C or higher in a qualifying English transfer course (Area A2) at a community college satisfies the GE requirement. Check the ASSIST course transfer website (http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html) for more information. Be aware that space in traditional English developmental courses may be very limited at many community colleges.

English Placement Test (EPT): If you’re unable to fulfill the requirement with one of the ways described above, you must take the English Placement Test (EPT). You can take it only once — and you must take it before enrolling in CSU courses. CAUTION: This is your last chance to avoid having to enroll in remedial English courses.

Early Start Program: If you do not pass the EPT examination or otherwise fulfill the requirement, there is one opportunity left to avoid remedial courses: Early Start (http://earlystart.csusuccess.org/)
Frequently Asked Questions

1. What does it mean to be ‘Conditionally Ready’ in English?
   Your EAP status of “Ready for CSU or participating CCC college-level English courses - Conditional,” indicates that you have more work to do during 12th grade to ensure you are eligible for college-level English courses (“Ready” status).

2. Does a ‘Conditionally Ready’ Status mean that a student is exempt from the English Placement Test (EPT)?
   No! A ‘Conditionally Ready’ status means that a student can gain exemption from the EPT ONLY if she takes an approved year-long English course in her senior year AND gets a grade of C or better in both semesters.

3. What if a student got a ‘Conditionally Ready’ status and took the approved year-long English course in her junior year? Does that count?
   No! The EPT requirement can be waived on the basis of a getting a grade of C or better in an approved year-long English course only in the student’s senior year.

4. My student got a ‘Not Ready’ status in her English EAP test and took a CSU approved year-long English course in her senior year. Does this mean she is exempt from the EPT?
   No! The approved year-long English course in the senior year only applies for a ‘Conditionally Ready’ status. It does NOT apply if the student got a ‘Not Ready’ status. Students with a ‘Not Ready’ status can gain exemption from the EPT through specified scores on the SAT, ACT, IB or AP tests.

5. Do the California Community Colleges (CCC) accept the EAP ‘Conditionally Ready’ status for exemption from placement tests?
   Most California Community Colleges DO NOT accept EAP Conditional Statuses at the moment, but some are in the process of reviewing its acceptance. For a complete list of the status of the CCC you’re interested in please visit http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/StudentServices/EAP/AcceptingEAP.aspx

6. If a student received a ‘Conditionally Ready’ status in her English EAP test but did not enroll in an approved year-long Math course in her senior year. Does this mean she must take the EPT to satisfy CSU proficiency now?
   Not necessarily. Your student can gain exemption from the EPT through specified scores on the SAT, ACT, IB or AP tests. She can also gain exemption from the EPT by getting a grade of C or higher in a qualifying English transfer course (Area A2) at a community college.