Frequently Asked Questions from Students

Do I have two math classes this semester?

Technically, you have one math class (Math 100AX) but you will also be working on math in SAS 100AX (that’s your in-person class where you will refresh and refine your math skills).

What does my placement score mean?

Your score on the ALEKS math placement test means you are in Math 100AX (and SAS 100AX). Math 100AX is very similar to beginning algebra. All students who place into Math 100AX are part of the Schedule for Success program. Neither Math 100AX nor SAS 100AX count toward college graduation requirements since they are considered pre-college level courses.

What does it mean that my math class is online?

Even though Math 100AX is listed as online, it is actually considered a hybrid course. That means once a week you attend in-person (at Pascal’s in ILC 140) and once a week you “attend” online. Both days of attendance will count toward your overall grade. You will receive an email to let you know which day to attend Math 100AX in-person.

Don’t forget in addition to Math 100AX, you will also be taking a fully in-person course two days a week. This course is SAS 100AX. Look at your schedule to see when and where your SAS 100AX class is.

How do I know who my Learning Specialist is?

Your Learning Specialist will email you before the semester begins to introduce themselves. If you do not see an email from them try looking at your “SPAM” folder. If you still don’t see anything, then contact Cassandra Hirdes at scheduleforsuccess@email.arizona.edu

Where can I go for help?

So many places! Meeting with your Learning Specialist at Bear Down Gym is a great place to start. They can help direct you to the various resources that exist as part of S4S:

- La Paz Tutoring (just for S4S students!)
- Pascal’s (just for students in Math 100AX!)
- Other THINK TANK locations (check our website for our full schedule of free drop-in tutoring)
- Ask math questions anytime: Facebook/com/UAMath100
Can I retest?

Yes, you can retest; however, there is a fee to retake the placement exam. Some students find it helpful to review a little before they retest. You can find out more information here: http://math.arizona.edu/academics/placement/exams/faq

Do I need a book for Math 100AX and SAS 100AX?

No, Math 100AX and SAS 100AX do not require textbooks. However, there are other required materials for Math 100AX such as class notes, an ALEKS access code, a headset, and a pen pad. Check your booklist on UAccess or your Math 100AX syllabus on D2L to find out exactly what you’ll need. The U of A bookstore will carry these materials and you can charge them to your Bursar account.

What math do I need for my major?

We recommend talking with your academic advisor about math requirements specific to your major. Don’t know who your advisor is or how to contact them? Check your UAccess Student Center—scroll down to the blue box on the right that says “Advisors” and then click on “details”. You can also find your advisor here: http://advising.arizona.edu

If you are currently an undecided major, that’s ok! You have an academic advisor too—and we still recommend talking with them about math options.

What are the fees associated with S4S?

The only fees are course fees. You will have a SAS 100AX fee of $91 and a Math 100AX fee of $96. These fees will be charged to your Bursar’s account.