

Computer Skills Placement Test

Many schools have established an academic requirement that students must possess basic computer skills.

The Computer Skills Placement (CSP) test or the Computer Skills Placement - Basic (CSP - Basic) can be used to assess students' computer skills. CSP and CSP - Basic scores are reported in the ACCUPLACER.

Individual Score Report along with other ACCUPLACER test scores and can be used in Branching Profiles and Placement rules.

CSP Development

CS Placement, a provider of testing for computer skills and digital concepts since 2000, developed CSP and CSP - Basic. The company's initial program was the introduction of The International Computer. Driving License (ICDL), the world's leading basic computer skills training and certification program with over five million candidates enrolled in over 140 countries.

In 2005 CS Placement developed Computer Skills Placement (CSP) to assess the computer skills of students entering two- and four-year colleges, and high schools. Following the test's introduction, CS Placement began working with The College Board to offer CSP and CSP - Basic in conjunction with the ACCUPLACER program. In spring of 2009, CSP and CSP - Basic were integrated into the new ACCUPLACER i3 platform.

Test Specifics

There are two types of questions: multiple choice and function identification. Each multiple choice item contains four answers from which to choose, only one of which is correct. For questions in which the test taker is asked to click on an appropriate function or location on the screen, all of the most commonly acceptable answers are scored as correct.

There are 70 questions on the CSP, 10 for each of the domains shown below:

- Basic Concepts
- File Management
- Word Processing
- Spreadsheets
- Databases
- Presentation
- Information and Communication

There are 30 questions on the CSP – Basic, 10 for each of the domains listed below:

- File Management
- Word Processing
- Information and Communication