



## English Placement Test

### Introduction

The **English Placement Test** at Kwantlen Polytechnic University is a tool to assist in placing students in appropriate English courses. The test is used only for diagnostic purposes and is not graded on a pass/fail basis. Students who write the test will receive a copy of the detailed comment sheet filled out by a member of the English faculty who is currently reviewing the tests. This comment sheet indicates the recommended course placement for students. Course placement recommendations are intended to help students succeed by ensuring that they are taking courses commensurate with their current abilities.

Although any student may write the English Placement Test, students who have already met prerequisites for English courses through other means (*see a KPU Calendar, or talk with a KPU Educational Advisor*) are not required to write the test.

**Students may write the English Placement Test once each academic semester.**

### Test Format

The test consists of two sections: a summary of a short prose passage and an essay response to the prose passage. Students have two (2) hours to complete both sections.

#### **Part I: Prose Passage Summary**

Students are asked to read a short prose passage and to summarize its main points in a paragraph of (125-150) words.

#### **Part II: Essay Response**

Students are asked to write a well-developed essay of approximately three hundred (300) words on one of two (2) possible topics. These topics are related to the subject of the prose passage.

### Registration and Cost

A forty dollar (\$40.00) fee is payable at the time of test registration.

**Registration and payment can be done on line at [www.kpu.ca/testing](http://www.kpu.ca/testing)**

**Testing fees are non-refundable**