525.1 Assessment is the process that combines the administration of assessment instruments to determine student competency in computational and language skills, assisting students in identifying their aptitudes, interests and educational objectives, evaluating student’s study and learning skills, and evaluating other factors that may be pertinent to their success in meeting their educational objectives.

525.2 All new students entering College of the Canyons will be required to participate in the assessment component of the Matriculation program unless exempted from this requirement according to the criteria listed below:

525.3 Exemptions from assessment

A. Students who have completed an associate degree or higher at an accredited institution,

B. Students taking only courses not dependent on academic skill requisites such as some fine or performing arts or physical education.

C. Students taking only courses to upgrade occupational skills or as continuing education for employment.

D. Students who present recent test scores on a test from the Chancellor’s approved list of instruments. (Exempt from placement testing only.)

E. Student transferring from other accredited post-secondary institutions with credit for degree appropriate English or mathematics. (Exempt from placement testing only.)

525.4 The College will make reasonable efforts to ensure that all exempt students are provided the opportunity to participate in the assessment component.