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Standardized Tests

Standardized Testing Policy

Results from scholastic exams are an important criteria for evaluating our global pool of applicants. With that said, NYU has one of the most flexible testing policies of any college or university.

You only have to submit results from one of the following:

- [SAT Reasoning Test \(https://sat.collegeboard.org/home\)](https://sat.collegeboard.org/home) (writing test and optional essay not required)
- [ACT \(http://www.actstudent.org/\)](http://www.actstudent.org/) (writing test not required)
- Three [SAT Subject Test \(https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat\)](https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat) scores
- Three [AP exam \(https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home\)](https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home) scores
- [International Baccalaureate \(IB\) Diploma \(http://www.ibo.org/\)](http://www.ibo.org/)
- Three [IB higher-level exam \(http://www.ibo.org/\)](http://www.ibo.org/) scores if not an IB Diploma candidate
- [Nationally accredited exam \(http://www.nyu.edu/content/nyu/en/admissions/undergraduate-admissions/how-to-apply/all-freshmen-applicants/instructions/standardized-tests/national-examinations.html\)](http://www.nyu.edu/content/nyu/en/admissions/undergraduate-admissions/how-to-apply/all-freshmen-applicants/instructions/standardized-tests/national-examinations.html) that shows you completed your secondary education

With flexibility comes considerations. Here are a few questions you might be asking:

Should I submit results from the current or new SAT test?

Either are fine. We accept results from the current test or the new test, which will be [offered starting March 2016 \(https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/\)](https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/).

I've taken more than one standardized test. Which scores do I submit to NYU?

We only require that you take one test so submit the results that best improve your chances for admission. Here are some other things to remember:

- If you've taken the SAT more than once, you can select which results you want to send to us using [Score Choice \(http://professionals.collegeboard.com/testing/sat-reasoning/scores/policy\)](http://professionals.collegeboard.com/testing/sat-reasoning/scores/policy). We only review the highest Critical Reading, Math, and Writing scores you submit, regardless of test dates, creating the highest possible composite "superscore." Please note that if you submit scores from the new and current versions of the SAT, the scores cannot be combined into a "superscore."
- For the ACT, we focus our evaluation on the composite score of your individual subject score results (with or without the writing test).
- Only submit multiple test types if you want us to review specific results from each.

Which subject test results do you want to see?

If you choose to submit three SAT subject tests to fulfill the standardized testing requirement, we want to see one score from each of the following:

- Literature or human ties
- Math or science
- Test of your choosing in any subject (View the Standardized Testing Categories in the right column)

Note: Some of our schools have their own requirements for subject test results:

- The Stern School of Business requires one of the subject exams be in math.
- The Tandon School of Engineering requires one literature or human ties score, one math score, and one science score.

How do I submit my test results to NYU?

The testing organization should send your scores to NYU. If this is not possible, then have a school official submit them. NYU's school codes are as follows:

- SAT, SAT Subject Test, AP, and TOEFL: 2562
- ACT: 2838

What if my test results won't be available by the application deadline because of a delay or other reason?

SAT, SAT Subject, ACT, and AP tests only need to be taken by the application deadline; it's OK if final results aren't available by the application deadline. However, we do need to receive official SAT or ACT scores before making an admissions offer.

If your results are delayed (because of the testing agency or natural disaster resulting in school closings), you can self-report your scores by emailing a screenshot of them to us. This might expedite our review of your application.

"Predicted scores" for other tests, such as IB and A Levels, can be submitted using one of the following methods:

- Through the Common Application website; or

- Mailed on official school letterhead in a sealed and signed envelope; or
- Emailed from a clearly identifiable school email address; or
- Submitted using the [NYU Predicted Results Form \(http://www.nyu.edu/content/dam/nyu/ugAdmissions/documents/Predicted%20Score%20Submission%20Form.pdf\)](http://www.nyu.edu/content/dam/nyu/ugAdmissions/documents/Predicted%20Score%20Submission%20Form.pdf) (have a school official do this).

Note: NYU has the right to withdraw an offer of admission if your final test scores are not within an acceptable range of your predicted results.

Does NYU recognize test results from other countries?

We sure do. [Here's a list of approved tests. \(http://www.nyu.edu/content/nyu/en/admissions/undergraduate-admissions/how-to-apply/all-freshmen-applicants/instructions/standardized-tests/national-examinations.html\)](http://www.nyu.edu/content/nyu/en/admissions/undergraduate-admissions/how-to-apply/all-freshmen-applicants/instructions/standardized-tests/national-examinations.html) The test must meet the following criteria:

- It shows you completed your secondary education;
- It was administered by an independent body (not your school); and
- It was approved by NYU.

NYU School Codes

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ACT: 2838

Standardized Testing Categories:

For students submitting SAT Subject Tests, AP, or IB scores, here are the various categories we recognize.

AP Exams

[+ Math or Science \(javascript:void\(0\);\)](#) [+ Literature or Humanities \(javascript:void\(0\);\)](#) [+ Elective \(javascript:void\(0\);\)](#)

- Biology
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Chemistry
- Computer Science A
- Environmental Science
- Physics 1
- Physics 2
- Physics B
- Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism
- Physics C: Mechanics
- Statistics

- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition
- European History
- Spanish Literature & Culture
- United States History
- World History

- Art History
- Chinese Language & Culture
- French Language & Culture
- German Language & Culture
- Government & Politics: United States
- Government & Politics: Comparative
- Human Geography
- Italian Language & Culture
- Japanese Language & Culture
- Latin
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics
- Music Theory
- Psychology
- Spanish Language & Culture
- Studio Art: 2-D Design
- Studio Art: 3-D Design
- Studio Art: Drawing

SAT II Exams

[+ Math or Science \(javascript:void\(0\);\)](#) [+ Literature or Humanities \(javascript:void\(0\);\)](#) [+ Elective \(javascript:void\(0\);\)](#) **IB**
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- Biology/EM
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Math Level 1
- Math Level 2

- Literature
- United States History
- World History

- Chinese with Listening
- French
- French with Listening
- German
- German with Listening
- Italian
- Latin
- Spanish
- Spanish with Listening
- Modern Hebrew
- Korean with Listening
- Japanese with Listening

Exams

[+ Math or Science \(javascript:void\(0\);\)](#) [+ Literature or Humanities \(javascript:void\(0\);\)](#)

- IB Group 4: Experimental Sciences
 - Biology
 - Chemistry
 - Computer Science
 - Physics
 - Design Technology
 - Environmental Systems & Societies
- IB Group 5: Mathematics & Computer Science
 - Mathematics
- IB Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature
 - Language A: Literature
 - Language A: Language & Literature
- IB Group 3: Individuals and Societies
 - History
 - Philosophy



Elective (javascript:void(0);)

- IB Group 2: Language Acquisition
 - Language B (second language)
 - Classical Languages: Latin
 - Classical Greek
- IB Group 3: Individuals and Societies
 - Business and Management
 - Economics
 - Geography
 - Information Technology in a Global Society
 - Psychology
 - Social and Cultural Anthropology
- IB Group 6: The Arts
 - Music
 - Visual Art
 - Dance
 - Film
 - Theatre