

ALEKS Pre-Algebra Course

This course uses the [ALEKS](#) learning system. The system provides practice problems, worked examples and video tutorials that will help you develop the skills necessary to test into Math 095 using the ACCUPLACER Placement Test. ALEKS will guide you through the course materials, assess your progress at regular intervals and give you a final assessment on the material covered in the course.

To take this course you will need

- A Windows or Apple computer with Internet access.
- A recent version of [Java](#) installed on the computer.
- A credit card to purchase a \$67 ALEKS access code (this gives you access for 18 weeks to the ALEKS software that runs the course).

Registering and purchasing an ALEKS access code for this course

Step 1. Go to http://www.aleks.com/sign_up/, enter the course code **4CXRQ-DNXCT** in the "K-12 - Higher Education" box as shown in the image below, then click Continue.

Using ALEKS with a Class?

K-12 - Higher Education

Register here if you are a new student and need to use ALEKS with your class. To begin, enter your 10-character course code below. You should have received this code from your instructor.

Course code: - [what's this?](#)

[» Continue](#)

[I don't have a course code](#)

Step 2. On the next screen, verify that the course is "Math Prep - Pre-Algebra – Jensen," then click Continue.

Step 3. On the next screen you are asked to enter your access code (see image below). Since you do not have an access code yet, click the link that reads "purchase an access code online."

If you do *not* have an access code, you can [purchase an access code online](#). If you have already purchased an access code online, you can find the code on the receipt that was e-mailed to you.

Access Code: - - - [what's this?](#)

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Step 4. On the next screen, select the "Higher-Ed 1-semester (18 weeks) option." This will give you access to the course for 18 weeks. (If you choose a shorter and cheaper option, make sure that you put in extra time to finish the course before your license expires). You will be sent to the McGraw Hill website where you can purchase your access code. Please read all screens carefully. During your purchase, you will receive username and password information. Be sure to write down or save your username and password (you will also receive an e-mail with this information).

Note. You can buy an ALEKS registration packet from the TMCC bookstore, but this will cost more than buying your code online. Follow the instructions in the packet and register for the class using the course code **4CXRQ-DNXCT**.

Login to the course and getting started

- After you have completed the registration process above, go to aleks.com and log in with your new username and password.
- The first time you log in, ALEKS will ask you permission to install a plug-in on your computer. You must allow this or ALEKS won't run on your computer.
- You will be guided through a quick ALEKS tutorial, and then you'll take an initial assessment that will evaluate your present math skills. The assessment will take about 30 minutes. The result of your assessment will be displayed in a pie chart.
- Once the initial assessment has been completed, you are ready to begin the coursework which is now tailored to your needs. Place your mouse over a slice of the pie chart: a pop-up will show you what math learning items you need to work on. Click on one of these to start learning the course material.
- As you work through the course (your learning pie), ALEKS will give you assessments at regular intervals and when you are finished with the course, a final assessment.
- Please note that when taking assessments, you cannot use help in any form: no notes, no books, no calculators, no communication. Only pen and paper, and the internal ALEKS calculator (when available) is permitted.

Your objectives for this class

Objective 1. To finish all of the ALEKS pie items you are given. ALEKS will notify you when you have completed all course materials.

Objective 2. To score as high as possible on all your ALEKS assessments in order to give yourself the best chance of successfully testing into Math 095 and being successful in Math 095. At the very minimum you should obtain a mastery score of 70 percent or better on all assessments.

ALEKS support

If you experience any problems with the steps above, you can contact ALEKS customer support for help:

ALEKS customer support phone: (714) 619-7090

ALEKS customer support e-mail: <http://support.aleks.com/>