Biology 40A Exam Overview & Instructions

The Biology 40A Exam allows students to satisfy the Biology 40A prerequisites via exam.

- If a student does not pass the exam, they will need to satisfy the Biology 40A prerequisites by taking the required course(s):
  - BIO 40A prereqs – CHEM 1A, 25, 30A with a grade of C or better.
- Note: The Foothill Biology Department does not accept the transfer of the De Anza Biology 40A exam results for placement into the Foothill Biology 40A course.

Exam Rules & Instructions

- This test is computerized and adaptive. Once you submit your answer, you cannot change it.
- You must get 14 correct to pass the exam.
- This test is untimed.
- Scratch paper and pencils are provided.
- Calculators are allowed. If you don’t have one, ask your proctor.
- Upon exam completion, raise your hand. Your proctor will then give you your results.
- You can register once you see your results posted on MyPortal (2-3 business days).

Retest Policy

After taking the Biology 40A Exam, students can retest in a subject if they have NOT enroll in, and/or earned a W, D, F or I grade in the subject/course sequence in which they are seeking placement.

- Test results do not expire.

- Students who take a placement test for Biology 40A and do not enroll in the prerequisite courses at De Anza are eligible for one (1) retest after six (6) months.