Chemistry 1A/Biology 6A Exam Overview & Instructions

The Chemistry 1A/Biology 6A Exam allows students to satisfy the Chemistry 1A and Biology 6A prerequisites via exam.

- If a student does not pass the exam, the will need to satisfy the Chemistry 1A and Biology 6A prerequisites by taking the required course(s):
  - CHEM 1A prereqs – CHEM 25 or CHEM 30A; Math 114 or equivalent.*
  - BIO 6A prereqs – CHEM 1A or CHEM 25 with a grade of C or better.

*Students are advised to satisfy the math prerequisite for CHEM 1A before attempting the exam.

- The Chemistry 1A exam results can be transferred between Foothill and De Anza College via the Score Transfer Process.
- Note: The Foothill Biology Department does not accept the transfer of the Chemistry 1A exam results for placement into the Foothill Biology 6A course.

Exam Description

- You will have 45 minutes to complete 44 questions. You must get 22 correct to pass the exam.
- This is a group test. Your total test time will be impacted should you arrive late.
- No breaks allowed.
- If you finish your test before the 45 minutes ends, we ask that you sit quietly at your desk until the 45 minute test time has ended. Do not disturb your fellow students.
- You can register once you see your results posted on MyPortal (2-3 business days).

Exam Rules

1. Using a pencil, follow your proctor’s instructions to complete your name and student id number on the scantron.
2. Do not write in the test booklet. Record your answers on the scantron.
3. Calculators are allowed.
4. No dictionaries or aides allowed.

Retest Policy

After taking the Chemistry 1A/Biology 6A 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 Chemistry 1A/Biology 6A do not enroll in the prerequisite courses at De Anza are eligible for one (1) retest after six (6) months.