You will go to this link:
https://secure.aleks.com/shiblogon/sso?ssso_account=829163b&class_code=WLGMG-MAGGD

You will use your UTEP credentials (UTEP username and password) to access your account.

If you are not able to log in with your credentials please email testing@utep.edu with a screenshot of your error message.

Introduction to ALEKS

After logging into ALEKS for the first time, students go through a first time use experience consisting of animated pages which introduce ALEKS PPL. Students then take a survey, take the ALEKS Tools Tutorial, complete an Initial Placement Assessment and see the results, and finally, explore some features on their personal homepage. The introduction gives a brief overview about ALEKS and how PPL works. The Espanol toggle appears in the bottom-right corner for students who prefer to view ALEKS in Spanish. Selecting the toggle changes the language from English to Spanish. The toggle appears on the Homepage and most pages of the Student Module. Students can toggle back to English or Spanish at any time.
If survey questions were included in the cohort setup, students will be asked to answer them here. ALEKS offers quick tips when students encounter features for the first time. Quick tips point out important features and how they can be used. They also guide students to what they should work on next. Here is an example of a quick tip that directs the student to take the survey. Selecting **GET STARTED** begins the survey.

![Survey](image)

**Tools Tutorial**

The **Tools Tutorial** shows students how to enter their answers into ALEKS. Selecting **GET STARTED** begins the Tools Tutorial.

![Tools Tutorial](image)
Students can see their progress in the Tools Tutorial by viewing the status bar in the upper-right corner.

After completing the Tools Tutorial, students receive a congratulatory message. Selecting Continue brings them back to their homepage and they will be prompted to start their Placement Assessment.

Proctored (Password Protected) Placement Assessments

Proctored Placement Assessments require a password before students can begin the assessment. After selecting GET STARTED, a password must be entered by the proctor responsible for administering the assessment. The password that was set up for proctored assessments unlocks the Placement Assessment and allows students to begin.

Note: If students log out during the Placement Assessment, a password will be required to start the assessment again.

AT this point, you will have to REGISTER and PAY ($30) for your proctored exam via ZOOM: https://www.registerblast.com/utep/Exam/List
Placement Assessment Introduction

To prepare students for their Placement Assessment, they are presented with several animated introduction pages that give them tips on how to take the Placement Assessment.

Next, students view a page with a few details about their Placement Assessment. The text on this page is contextual to the placement cohort setup. The information displayed is based on the cohort settings the administrator selected in the ALEKS Administrator Module.

The Placement Assessment will determine which class you are ready to take.

You will be asked up to: 30 Questions

Time to complete: 48 Hours

* Most students take 60-90 minutes

There is no partial credit.

Time does NOT stop if you log out.

If you log in later, ALEKS will remember where you left off.

Students are informed of the number of times they can retake the Placement Assessment, if any. After agreeing to their institution’s honor code, they select Get Started to begin the Placement Assessment.
Next, students see a sample problem in the Placement Assessment with quick tips to describe how to use the I DON'T KNOW and the calculator button (when available) on the page. Selecting **Start Now** begins the Placement Assessment.

**Example of a Problem in the Placement Assessment**

During the Placement Assessment, students can see their progress by viewing the status bar in the upper-right corner. They can also see the time remaining on the assessment, if applicable.
Post Placement Assessment Results

Upon completion of the Placement Assessment, students see their results. The text on this page is contextual to the student's performance. The information displayed is based on the cohort settings the administrator selected in the ALEKS Administrator Module upon setup (e.g., administrator entered cut scores, administrator included a link to the institution's placement webpage, etc.). In this example, the student is able to see what class he or she placed into, view cut score information, and the number of times that the Placement Assessment can be retaken.

Placement Assessment Results Breakdown

Next, students view a breakdown of their Placement Assessment Results by topic category, and how they performed in each.
Breakdown of Your Placement Assessment Results

- Whole Numbers, Fractions, and Decimals
- Signed Numbers, Linear Equations and Inequalities
- Relations and Functions
- Quadratic and Polynomial Functions
- Percents, Proportions, and Geometry
- Lines and Systems of Linear Equations
- Integer Fractions and Factoring
- Rational Expressions and Functions

What’s Next

Students view a page to explain that they will be working in a Prep and Learning Module to help practice topics and improve their knowledge. The text on this page is contextual to the student and displays information based on how the student performed (e.g., student placed into the highest cut score, student did not place into the highest cut score, etc.) The Prep and Learning Module will prepare them for their next Placement Assessment and their upcoming class. Students are also informed of the number of times they can retake the Placement Assessment, if any.

Prep and Learning Module

Depending on their cohort setup, students will automatically be placed into a Prep and Learning Module based on their Placement Assessment results, or they will have the option to choose the Prep and Learning Module they want to work in. The page students see is based on the cohort settings. Below are examples of both scenarios:

- **Automatically Assign Students to a Prep and Learning Module Based on Their First Placement Assessment Results (Default Setting):** Students view a page with the name of the Prep and Learning Module they are assigned to, including the date access to the Prep and Learning Module expires.
Select Prep and Learning Module

A Prep and Learning Module has been selected for you based on your Placement Assessment results. Access to your account will expire on 06/25/2021.

Your Prep and Learning Module:
Prep for Beginning Algebra

- **Allow Students to Choose a Prep and Learning Module**: Students view a page with the Prep and Learning Modules offered, including the recommended course and the date access to the Prep and Learning Module expires. Students are allowed to choose the Prep and Learning Module they want to work in by selecting an option.

Select Prep and Learning Module

You can select one Prep and Learning Module. Once you select it, you will not be able to change to a different one. Access to your account will expire on 06/25/2021.

Select Your Prep and Learning Module:
- Prep for Beginning Algebra
- Prep for Intermediate Algebra (You Already Know This)
- Prep for College Algebra (You Already Know This)
- Prep for PreCalculus
- Prep for Calculus (Recommended)

Start Button: Shows the confirmation message below.

Not Now Button: Brings Students to their Homepage.

**Confirmation Message**

Students are reminded that they will not be able to change the Prep and Learning Module after starting.

If you start now, access will expire on:
11/09/2016 (6 months from today)

You will not be able to change your Prep and Learning Module after you start.