Placement Testing Waiver for Career Studies Certificate Programs

The placement testing requirement for career studies certificates (CSCs) has been revised (VCCS Policy 6.4.0.2) because it is an access barrier for students seeking short-term career technical education (CTE) workforce education. The policy revision allows students to enroll in a CSC without having to take a placement test, unless a course in the CSC has an English or math prerequisite. However, a student who completes a CSC and who wants to continue into a longer certificate program or pursue a degree still needs to take the Virginia Placement Test (VPT) to enroll in those programs.

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Students enrolling in Career Studies Certificate programs may be waived from placement testing, unless a course in the program requires a reading, writing, or math prerequisite.