This Placement assesses the reading and written communication skills expected of University of Baltimore undergraduate students beginning their junior year of study. You will write an argumentative essay based on a reading.

The Placement follows a three-step process, lasting 90 minutes in total.

1. READ & PLAN (30 min.)

Study the reading provided. Plan how you will summarize, analyze, and evaluate the author’s argument.

2. WRITE (45 min.)

Write a purposeful and well-developed argumentative essay in which you state your position on the reading and support your argument using the reading.

3. SELF-REFLECT (15 min.)

When you have finished writing the essay, write a self-reflection of five sentences or more responding to this question: If I had 30 extra minutes to revise this essay, what would I do? This part of the placement is required and will figure in your score.