TEAS[®] Information Packet Northampton Community College Department of Nursing*

*Due to COVID-19 TEAS testing has been moved to remote proctoring format. It will be updated when in-person testing is resumed.

The Nursing Department requires applicants to the RN and Advanced Placement RN Programs to submit results from the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®) as part of the application process. We have compiled a list of questions and answers regarding the exam and our policies regarding taking this exam.

If you have further questions regarding the exam itself, please go to https://www.atitesting.com/

If you have questions regarding the admissions criteria as it relates to the exam, contact the Admissions Office at 610.861.5500.

If you have testing-related issues at either campus, email: ncclibrariestesting@northampton.edu

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What is the TEAS® assessment?

The Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®) administered by Assessment Technologies Institute, LLC (ATI) is a standardized, timed, computer-based exam designed to assess the general academic preparedness of students interested in applying to the RN program and Advanced Placement RN Program. It measures knowledge in basic, essential skills in the academic content areas of Reading, Mathematics, Science and English.

Who needs to take the TEAS®?

Applicants to any NCC nursing program are required to take the TEAS exam.

Where do I take TEAS® at NCC?

Effective July 16, 2020 ATI TEAS® will be administered with remote proctoring.

When is the TEAS® test offered?

The exam is currently offered with remote proctoring and the schedule is available on the ATI website. You can view the schedule of testing dates when you register on-line.

When should I take the TEAS®?

You should **not** take the exam until the minimum admission requirements to the program of interest are met.

The results of the exam are only valid for two years. You should seek the guidance of an Admission Counselor or your academic advisor before scheduling your TEAS[®] exam to avoid unnecessary early testing and cost.

How many sub-sections of the exam am I required to take?

You are required to take all four sub-sections of the exam (Math, English, Reading, and Science).

Is there a deadline for testing?

Testing should be completed prior to applying to the program so that TEAS results can be reviewed with your application. The application deadline for fall admission is February 1st and for spring admission is September 15th.

How often can I take the exam?

You are allowed to take the TEAS® two times in an application period. There are two application periods per year. If the test is taken more than twice in an application period, only the first two test results will be considered. The minimum time between a first attempt and a repeat attempt is 30 days. Results will not be considered for testing done less than 30 days from a previous attempt.

What scores will be reviewed in considering my acceptance?

Proficiency level, highest Individual Adjusted Score and each sub-section score will be included in the application review process.

What score do I need to be considered for admission into the program?

RN Program: Primary consideration for admission will be given to students with a grade of B or better in the program sciences (Anatomy and Physiology I & II; Microbiology) on the first attempt <u>and</u> an overall academic preparedness rating on TEAS® of **Proficient** with sub- section scores at or above the national mean. The current national mean for each sub-section score is as follows:

- Reading (72.8%)
- Math (68.83%)
- > Science (58%)
- > English and Language Usage (66.8%)

PN Program: A TEAS[®] academic preparedness level at or above *Basic* is one of four minimum program admission requirements. The remaining three requirements are:

- Completion of high school biology* with a grade of C or better.
- > One year of high school Algebra** with a C or better
- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher

How do I register to take the TEAS®?

- Create an ATI student account by following the How to Register Guidelines.
- Once your account is created, access the ATI Online Store within your ATI account.
- In ATI Online Store, click Register for TEAS.
- Filter to TEAS for Nursing Student USA, PA to find NCC dates/times.
- Select a session that works best & read all tech requirements for remote testing sessions.
- Debit or credit card payment is accepted.
- Once registration is completed, contact NCC Mack Library Testing Center at ncclibrariestesting@northampton.edu to schedule a Dry Run prior to your TEAS test date. This is required.

How do I complete a Dry Run session?

- Watch the student training video about Proctorio: Student Proctorio Training (10 minutes).
- Restart your laptop/desktop before the Dry Run begins.
- Turn off smart phones and smart watches OR disable so any notifications do not interrupt testing sessions.
- Clear browser history, cookies and cache for best experience.
- Add Dry Run Assessment ID/Password to your ATI student account.
- Complete the steps found in the Remote Testing Guide during Dry Run session.
- If there are any issues during the Dry Run, please call ATI IT support help at 1-800-667-7531.
- Once Proctorio is fully installed, the proctor will allow you into the 3-item test.
- After completing this mini assessment, you are ready for your exam appointment!

What steps are required on the day of my exam?

- Restart your laptop/desktop before assessment.
- Turn off smart phones and smart watches OR disable notifications.
- Clear browser history, cookies and cache for best experience.
- Login to your ATI student account and click MY ATI at TEST tab.
- Add TEAS ID to account and Click BEGIN on the TEAS assessment.
- Clicking BEGIN will also prompt Proctorio as well. Follow the prompts for pre-checks.
- Your Proctor will then approve you and the assessment will begin.
- Proctorio customer support is available via in-exam chat service if needed during your assessment.

What is the cost of the TEAS® test?

The cost to register for TEAS[®] at NCC is \$82.00 and includes automatic transfer of your transcript to NCC.

How do I prepare for the TEAS®?

Since TEAS[®] scores are part of your application to a highly competitive program, you should prepare thoroughly for the exam. Review manuals and practice tests are available for purchase from the ATI testing site <u>http://www.atitesting.com/</u>

How do I get my results?

ATI will send your TEAS[®] scores to NCC electronically so they can be included in your application. After you leave the testing area you can view your results by logging on to the ATI website <u>www.atitesting.com</u> with your user name and password and selecting *results*.

Can I use results of TEAS® taken previously?

Yes, you can submit previous TEAS® results as long as they are dated within 2 years of the date you complete your application.

What subject areas are included in TEAS®?

The test consists of 170 multiple-choice questions (150 are scored). There are four sections: Reading, English, Math and Science. Basic understanding of these subjects is important for success in a nursing program.

- The **Math** subtest measures knowledge of whole numbers, metric conversions, fractions and decimals, algebraic equations, percentages and ratio/proportion.
- The **Science** subtest covers science reasoning, science knowledge, biology, chemistry, anatomy, and physiology, basic physical principals and general science.
- The **English** subtest measures knowledge of punctuation, grammar, and sentences structure, contextual words, and spelling.
- The Reading subtest covers paragraph comprehension, passage comprehension, and inferences/conclusions.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR THE TEAS® ASSESSMENT

1. CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT

If you are not a current user on <u>www.atitesting.com</u>, you must create a new account to access the student portal or to make a purchase from ATI's online store. Follow the steps below to create a new account.

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Sign In Info	CLOSE Required*	On the Sign In Info page, enter the account information that you will use to sign into your account or to recover your account.
Letters, numbers, _@,. Password*		You must enter valid information into all the fields on this screen before you can proceed.
Max 16 characters Confirm Password*		If your entry is not accepted, an error message similar to the one pictured below will display.
Email Address*		Username required.
Confirm Email Address*	×	Reenter your information. When your entry is accepted, the message will disappear.
CANCEL	Step 1 of 7 CONTINUE	After you have entered all your account information, click Continue to go to the Security Questions page.





On the Demographic Info page, enter your Gender, Birth Date, Race, and Primary Language information. Only Birth Date is

Click Continue to go to Subscription, Updates & Notes.

On the Subscription, Updates & Notes page, read the Subscription, Updates & Notes information.

If you agree to allow ATI to share your information under the terms presented on this screen, select the Yes, I consent check

Click **Continue** to go to User Terms and Conditions.



You can now register for the TEAS® Assessment through our Online Store.



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Review the information on the screen. At this point, you have the following options:

- If all the information is correct and you do not want to purchase additional items, click **Check Out**.
- If you want to make additional purchases, click **Continue Shopping** to return to the Online Store.

Note: Supporting TEAS items, such as study aids and extra transcripts, are available from the ATI Online Store. At the Online Store home page, enter **TEAS** in the *Search* field and then click **Go** to display all TEAS-related items.

 If you do not want to purchase the designated assessment, click **Remove this Item**. The session is removed from your Shopping Cart. Click **Continue Shopping** to return to the Online Store. Go back to choose a different TEAS Assessment session.

IMPORTANT:

ATI does not offer refunds. Damaged or defective products will be replaced if sent back to ATI within 30 days of purchase. Please call Customer Service at 1.800.667.7531 for more details.

4. Check Out and Pay

SECURE CHECKOUT 1: Enter Your Address 2: Enter Your Payment Details Enter your billing and shipping address. Your billing address should match the address on your credit card.	
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