

Information Sheet for the Nursing and Allied Health Preadmission Test

Why are students being tested?

The college and health technology faculty want students to succeed in their goals. When students perform poorly in basic skills, their chances of success in a health science program are very poor. Students who achieve a successful score have a greater chance of success.

What is the nursing and allied health preadmission test?

TEAS is the nursing and surgical technology program preadmission test. TEAS stands for "Test of Essential Academic Skills". HOBET is the allied health preadmissions test. HOBET stands for "Health Occupation Basic Entrance Test".

Preadmission testing is an assessment to evaluate a student's ability to be successful in nursing and allied health.

Who must be tested?

All college option, nursing and allied health students applying for admission to any health technology program will be required to take a preadmission entrance exam. High school option students are not required to take a preadmission entrance exam. Students who have completed an Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science in Nursing or Allied Health program or Bachelor of Science degree in a natural science are waived from taking the exam.

What is the minimum score?

The minimum score will be a composite score of 50% for allied health and a composite score of 62% for nursing and surgical technology. This will be subject to change based on numerous factors, including changes in national norms.

What happens if a student does not achieve the minimum score?

Each department will determine criteria for admission. Nursing, dental hygiene, medical assistant, surgical technology, radiologic technology and the health information management technology programs will require that students achieve a minimum score in order to be admitted to the program. Students who do not achieve the minimum score can attend a preparatory program or can self-remediate. They can take the entrance test a second time. Students who do not achieve the minimum score a second time will be seen by a counselor to evaluate whether the health science area is an appropriate career choice. Students may also want to take COUN 1100, Career Exploration, to facilitate selection of a career path.

Massage therapy, respiratory therapy, medical laboratory technology, histotechnology and the paramedic program will **not** require that students achieve a minimum score in order to be admitted to the programs. Students who do not achieve the minimum score will be required to attend a preparatory program. The preparatory courses can be taken

prior to starting the program or concurrently with program requirements. Preparatory courses must be successfully completed prior to completion of the first year of the program.

What preparatory courses are offered?

Six preparatory courses are listed in the course schedule book as follows:

COUN 1100 (Career Exploration): This course assists students in examining the components of career choice. It focuses on career awareness, personal awareness, and educational awareness as they relate to the process of career choice. (3 credit hours)

COUN 1300 (Skills for College Success): This course helps students to utilize more of their potential and to succeed in college. It introduces strategies for personal growth coupled with skills such as time management, critical thinking, note-taking and test-taking. (2 credit hours)

ENGL 0220 (College Reading): This course focuses on the development of strategic college reading skills with an emphasis on diverse approaches to reading assignments. Students will apply critical reading and content analysis skills to textbook materials from a wide range of college-level courses. (2 credit hours)

HLTH 1010 (Introduction to Health Careers): This course introduces students to varied careers in healthcare and the educational, legal, and professional requirements of those careers. (2 credit hours)

MATH 0745 (Essential Skills for Algebra): This course reviews and develops essential arithmetic skills regarding real numbers. (2 credit hours)

PSYC 1050 (Psychology of Effective Studying): This introductory course focuses upon skills and the design of materials necessary in the organization for and the studying of college-level courses. (1 credit hour)

Do I have to take the entire preparatory sequence?

The preparatory sequence is based on the individual student test result. Students must meet with a counselor to determine which courses they need to take.

How much does the test cost?

The cost will be a \$40.00 non-refundable fee. This will cover the cost of the test, shipping/handling and proctor fees. The fee must be paid prior to registering for the test. The student can obtain the cashier's form from the admissions or cashier's office. The form should be taken to the cashier's office in Building A along with cash, check or credit card. The student will receive a receipt and one will be sent to the science and health division.

Students who receive financial aid should call the financial aid office at 440.525.7070 to find out if financial aid can be applied to the cost of the test. Students who receive benefits from the Board of Vocational Rehabilitation (BVR) or Workforce Investment Act (WIA) should contact the counselor from that agency to determine if the cost of the test will be included in their funding package.

Do I need to register for the test?

Yes, students must register through the Learning Center by the registration deadline. Students may register in person in Room A-1044 or by phone at 440.525.7019. Payment is required prior to registration.

How will students receive the results of their test?

The student will receive a letter from the college with a copy of their test results. Students who do not achieve the minimum score will be advised to see their counselor in order to discuss preparation.

When should students take the test?

A student can take the test whenever they choose. It is strongly recommended to take the test after they have completed the prerequisites for admission. The test **must** be taken prior to applying to the nursing and allied health program of interest. Scores are valid for five (5) years.

What do students need to bring to the test?

Students should bring their cashier's receipt showing proof of payment, a picture ID and two #2 pencils to the exam. A calculator is not permitted, as this test is assessing basic math abilities. No scratch paper, study guides or notes are permitted.

Can students prepare for the test?

Preparation for the test is optional. There will be a copy of the study guide on reserve in the college library and for purchase in the college bookstore. Students can also attend the preparatory courses to prepare for the test. Information about the preparatory program is available through the counseling department at 440.525.7200.

Who can students contact if they have questions?

Students can call the counseling department at 440.525.7200 or the science and health division office at 440.525.7180 if they have any questions.

Can I transfer results of the preadmission test or test from another school?

Yes, the results can be transferred as long as they are sent directly from the test company to the admission department. The student may contact ATI directly. A slight fee for this service is required by the test company. For additional information call 1.800.667.7531. The address is 7500 W. 160th Street, Stilwell, KS 66085.

When will the HOBET for allied health be offered?

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Health technology students will go to the cashiers office first to pay the 40.00 fee and then register for the test in the learning center. A-1044 or by phone at 440-525-7019.

When will the TEAS test be offered?

The TEAS test is available online only in the Testing Center. Nursing and surgical technology students may go directly to the cashier's office to preregister. After payment, students may take the receipt to register in person in the Learning Center (A-1044) or by phone at 440.525.7019. Testing will be scheduled Monday-Thursday at 9:00 a.m. or 5:00 p.m.; Friday at 8:00 a.m. or Saturday at 10:00 a.m. The exam is 3 ½ hours and no testing is available during finals weeks or between semester breaks.

Students will need an ATI username and password to log into the TEAS exam. To obtain one, you will need to log on to www.atitesting.com and click on **Create New Account** from the ATI home page. You will need to bring the **username and password** with you to your testing session.

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