



## **Information Sheet for the Health Technologies Pre-Admission Entrance 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. Preadmission testing is an assessment to evaluate a student's ability to be successful in nursing and allied health. Students who achieve a successful score have a greater chance of success.

### **What is the nursing and allied health preadmission test?**

The health preadmission test is ATI TEAS and it stands for "Test of Essential Academic Skills."

### **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 test. The test is waived for:

- LPN's pursuing the Access to Nursing program.
- High school option students.
- Students who have completed an Associate of Science degree, Associate of Applied Science in Nursing or Allied Health, or who have completed any bachelor's degree from an accredited college.

### **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. This will be subject to change based on numerous factors, including changes in national norms. Each department will determine criteria for admission. Department score/criteria for each health technology program is the following:

- Biotechnology (no preadmission test required)
- Dental Hygiene (50%)
- Health Information Management Technology (50%)
- Histotechnology (no minimum score required)
- Medical Assisting/Administrative Medical Office Assistant (no minimum score required)
- Medical Lab Technology (no minimum score required)
- Paramedic (no minimum score required)
- Nursing (62%)
- Occupational Therapy Assistant (50%)
- Radiologic Technology (50%)
- Respiratory Therapy (no minimum score required)
- Surgical Technology (50%)

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

A total of two (2) attempts are available to pass the TEAS test. Prior TEAS tests from other institutions are counted. A student who does 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.

**What preparatory courses are offered to prepare for the test?**

These preparatory courses are listed in the course schedule and college catalog:

COUN 1100 (*Career Exploration*): This course assists students in testing the components of career choice. It focuses on career awareness, personal awareness and educational awareness as they relate to the process of career choice. Career planning skills and self-assessment inventories will help students identify tentative career options. (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)

FYEX 1000 (*First Year Experience*): This course introduces students to the behaviors, skills and attitudes that are important to success in college and in college-level courses. It will include an overview of how to utilize college resources and services and how to succeed as a college student preparing for a career. (1 credit hour)

MATH 0745 (*Essential Skills for Algebra*): This course reviews and develops fundamental arithmetic skills regarding rational numbers and introduces techniques for solving basic linear equations. (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)

**How much does the test cost?**

The cost is a \$50 non-refundable fee. This fee covers the cost of the test and proctor. Students may register and pay for the exam by logging on to MyLakeland. "Schedule It" is located in the "Quick Tools" section. The student will receive an email confirmation. Students can also register for the exam by obtaining a 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 health technologies office.

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 test center. Students may register in person in room A-1044e or by phone at 440.525.7574 or 440.525.7568. Payment is required prior to registration. Students will also be able to schedule testing and payment at their convenience day or night even when the test center is closed via "Schedule It." After payment, a printable confirmation screen will be available with the testing appointment date and time. The system will allow students to cancel and reschedule the testing appointment 24 hours before scheduled date and time. **PLEASE NOTE: STUDENTS WHO DO NOT CANCEL OR RESCHEDULE IN 24 HOURS PRIOR TO THE TEST DATE FORFEIT THE \$50 EXAM FEE. The fee for the exam is nonrefundable.**

**How will students receive the results of their test?**

Students will receive their scores immediately upon completion of the test. 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?**

Students 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 receipt showing proof of payment and a picture ID to the test. A calculator, study guides or notes are not permitted. A calculator is accessible in the test. The test center will supply scratch paper and collect it at the end of the test.

**Can students prepare for the test?**

Preparation for the test is recommended. 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 Lakeland's Counseling and Advising Center at 440.525.7200.

**Who can students contact if they have questions?**

Students may call Lakeland's Counseling and Advising Center at 440.525.7200 or the health technologies 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 admissions department or health technologies office. 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 for ATI is 7500 W. 160<sup>th</sup> Street, Stilwell, KS 66085.

**When will the ATI TEAS test be offered?**

The test is available in the test center A-1044e. The test is only available in an online format. Students can pay for the test online or at the cashier's office in A-1032. After payment, students can take the receipt to register for the test in person in the test center in A-1044e, or by phone at 440.525.7574 or 440.525.7568 or register online. The test is offered Monday-Saturday. The test center can be contacted for a list of times or visit [lakelandcc.edu/web/about/contacts-](http://lakelandcc.edu/web/about/contacts-)

testing-center. The test is approximately 3.5 hours in length. Testing is not available during mid-term and finals weeks. Testing is available between semesters. Contact the Test Center for availability.

Students will need an ATI username and password to log into the test. To obtain one, students will need to log on to [atitesting.com](http://atitesting.com) and click on "Create New Account" from the ATI home page. Students will need to bring the username and password with them for their testing session.

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