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St. Cloud Technical & Community College Practical Nursing (PN) and Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Programs ATI TEAS Testing Information

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Entrance Exam Information for Practical Nursing and Associate Degree Nursing

- What content is covered in the program entrance exam? The entrance testing is computerized.
 - The ATI TEAS Assessment Exam is a multiple-choice exam that measures entry-level skills and abilities of nursing program applicants. The sections covered in the exam are:
 - Reading
 - Mathematics
 - Science
 - English and Language Usage
- 2. What is the cost of the exam?
 - The cost of the exam is \$92 and is paid directly to ATI.
- 3. When can I take the ATI TEAS test? When do I need to have it completed to apply for the PN and ADN programs?
 - Students pursuing the PN or ADN major(s) may take their ATI TEAS exam at any point throughout the year. Students should typically plan to take this test while they are completing their pre-requisite courses. Applicants to the programs will be expected to provide valid ATI TEAS test scores at the time they submit their application.
 - The ATI TEAS test is offered in-person at the SCTCC testing center. You simply register to take the test yourself (see #4 below).
 - When arriving for the test, park in Lot A, and enter through Door 4. The test is offered in Room 1-456/458. Students can have a seat on the bench in the hallway outside the testing center. Our testing center staff will call you back when the test begins.
 - Your ATI TEAS testing must be completed by the end of the application period.

4. How do I register for the exam?

- You register for the test at the following website, www.atitesting.com
- Create or log-in to student account at atitesting.com
- Click "Online Store" on the upper right hand corner of the screen
- Select "Register for... TEAS" on the left hand side of the screen
- Underneath "About the TEAS," select "Register Now"
- On the "TEAS Registration" tab, choose "In-Person"
- For "Program type" select "TEAS for Nursing Students"
- In the field for "Search By," select "Location"
- For "City," enter "St. Cloud"
- In the field for "State," choose "MN"
- Where it asks for "Zip Code," enter "56303"
- Click the "Search" button

This should display all available test sessions. Although tests are offered throughout the entire year, they are usually only displayed for a month or two in advance. Be sure to select one of the test sessions offered at the "St. Cloud Technical and Community College" location only. This will ensure that our Nursing program will be able to access these scores at the time of application. If you have any issues with registering or questions about registering, contact the Client Care Department at ATI at 1-800-667-7531.

5. I have accommodations for my classes. Am I eligible to use the accommodations for the testing as well?

Yes. Any student that has accommodations on file with the college or is in need of accommodations for the test must contact the Disabilities Coordinator. Once you have been approved for accommodations (from the Disabilities Coordinator), you must contact the test proctor at acc@sctcc.edu to ensure the accommodations are in place. Please note that some accommodations will require up to a 3 week advanced notice in order to accommodate. Please plan ahead to ensure your needs are met.

6. Is there a study guide for the test?

- An optional study guide is available for purchase from the SCTCC Book Store or at ATItesting.com ISBN: 978-1565335752
- Online practice assessment: Available at ATItesting.com

7. What if I have already taken the ATI TEAS somewhere other than SCTCC? Can my score be accepted by SCTCC?

 You need to contact ATI TEAS <u>www.atitesting.com</u> and request an official transcript to be sent to SCTCC. There is a cost for this service. It also needs to have been taken within the last three years.

8. How long is the ATI TEAS test score good for?

• Your ATI TEAS test needs to have been taken within the last three (3) calendar years at time of application.

9. What should I do on examination day for taking the ATI TEAS on SCTCC campus?

- You should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your scheduled testing appointment.
- Please arrive on time! Late examinees will not be allowed to test and will forfeit the remainder of the reserved test time and examination fee.
- At the scheduled testing time, examinees will need to present two pieces of identification. One piece of identification must be a valid government PHOTO/SIGNATURE I.D., such as a driver's license or passport. You will not be allowed to test without a valid ID.
- Scratch paper and pencil will be provided for you and collected when you are finished taking your exam.
- Personal belongings are prohibited at or near the computers.
- Food/drinks are not allowed in the testing room unless predetermined as medically necessary.
- Breaks: after you have completed the mathematics section, you may take a 10-minute break. During the break, you may not access any personal items. Time will be missed during any other bathroom break and cannot be made up.

10. When will I be notified of my results?

 Results are available 48 hours after completion of testing, often within minutes of completing the test. Testers will be able to log into their account with ATI to check scores.

11. What is passing? What score do I need to achieve to apply to the programs?

- Practical Nursing minimum score for the ATI TEAS exam is 52.
- Associate Degree Nursing minimum score for the ATI TEAS exam is 56.

12. If I do not achieve above the cut score or benchmark, is there a retake?

- ATI TEAS: all applicants are allowed to take the ATI TEAS exam three (3) times within a 12-month period.
- For results to be accurate subsequent ATI TEAS tests must be taken as "retake" tests. You need to use the same username and password so you are taking a retest version. If you use a new username, you will be taking the same test over rather than a new version. If you retake the same test, your score will be un-usable.

13. Do I have to pay again for the retake?

- Yes. All TEAS testing is paid for online with ATI
- **14.** Please feel free to contact our Assessment Center Coordinator, Nathan Jacobson, with any additional questions. He can be reached by phone at (320)308-6007 or by email at njacobson@sctcc.edu.

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