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H.E. STUCKENHOFF DEPARTMENT OF NURSING

Memo from: Kelly Politte
Regarding: TEAS V® Test requirement for 2012 admissions
Date: March 30, 2011

Enclosed you will find information and instructions regarding the TEAS V® exam that is required as part of the application process for admission to the Casper College Nursing Program in 2012.

Please note that the testing deadline is the same as the application deadline, October 14, 2011 for spring 2012 admission and February 24, 2012 for fall 2012 admission. **The Academic Testing Center cannot accommodate TEAS testing the week prior to or the week of mid-term and final examinations.** Please see the academic calendar for these dates.

There are 170 multiple choice questions on the exam which includes:

CONTENT AREA	NUMBER OF TEST ITEMS	TIME ALLOTTED
Reading	42	58 minutes
Mathematics	30	51 minutes
Science	48	66 minutes
English and Language Usage	30	34 minutes
TOTAL	150*	209 minutes

*There are an additional 20 unscored pre-test items.

The goal of adding this exam to our pre-requisites is to determine your entry level skills which have been deemed important by a panel of nursing program curriculum experts for nursing program applicants. The goal is two-fold in that we want our students to stay in the program and be successful in passing the licensure exam at the completion of the nursing program. Good luck!



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2012 Admission Cycles

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS V®)

As part of the application process, the Casper College Nursing Program requires students to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS V®). The ATI Academic Preparedness Level earns the student points on the 'Admission Ranking Sheet' as follows:

- 4 points = Exemplary
 - 3 points = Advanced
 - 2 points = Proficient
 - 1 point = Basic
 - 0 points = Development
1. Appointments for the web-based test can be scheduled with the Academic Testing Center (ATC) at Casper College, testing@caspercollege.edu, or 268-3850. The maximum time for the exam is 209 minutes.
 2. Test date availability is on a first come basis and the Casper College testing center accommodates 10 students at any one time. Testing space is limited. It is not recommended to wait to attempt to schedule an appointment. If you miss this deadline, you will have to wait until the next application cycle to apply. **DO NOT PROCRASTINATE!**
 3. The cost of the TEAS V® exam is \$50.00, which is paid on-line with a credit/debit card on the day of the test.
 4. No test will be administered without payment first.
 5. A copy of the 'Policies and Procedures' for the Casper College Academic Testing Center have been attached for your convenience.
 6. If you are not able to come to Casper College to take the test, it is your responsibility to contact a testing center in your community and make arrangements to have the test proctored.
 7. The out-of town testing center will need to contact: Kelly Politte, kpolitte@caspercollege.edu or 307-268-2717 to obtain the testing login and password.
 8. If you have taken the TEAS V® within the last two years, your results are valid and will be accepted as meeting the prerequisite.
 9. Your TEAS V® results need to be sent to Casper College directly from ATI. The cost of this service is \$22.00
 10. TEAS V® may be taken only twice during a one year period.
 11. Please include a copy of your test results with your completed application for admission.

The TEAS V® assessment gauges students' reading, mathematics, science and English skills. To prepare for the TEAS V® assessment you are encouraged to purchase:

- TEAS V® Study Manual (\$42.00). The TEAS V® Study Manual offers sample questions with accompanying explanations and study/test taking skills **and/or**
- TEAS V® On-line Practice Assessment (\$35.00) (2 versions are available). The on-line practice assessment includes 150 items designed to be reflective of the TEAS V® in both content and format. In order to maximize the learning experience, each item is accompanied by detailed rationales for all correct and incorrect responses chosen. Students can take the practice assessment via the internet at any convenient time and location **OR**
- TEAS V® On-line Practice Assessment A & B + TEAS V® Study Manual (\$85.00-savings of \$27.00)
- The above success aids may be purchased on-line by going to: www.atitesting.com. If you have any questions you may call Assessment Technologies Institute®, LLC at 1-800-667-7531.

Academic Testing Center (ATC)

Policies and Procedures

Located in the Thorson Institute of Business - BU123

- *Students must call the Academic Testing Center at 268-3850 or e-mail testing@caspercollege.edu to schedule appointments at least 24 hours in advance during business hours. (ATC closes at 3 pm on Friday and reopens at noon on Monday) No walk-ins will be taken.*
- The Academic Testing Center will be **closed** on all school holidays. If the ATC must close at other times, faculty and staff will be notified 24 hours in advance by GroupWise e-mail. Any unforeseen closures will be communicated by the same method. Hours and closures are available on the ATC web page.
- Test appointments will be scheduled on the hour and half-hour. Appointments will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Once the Academic Testing Center is full (at eleven stations), no more students will be scheduled for that time.
- If unable to keep an appointment, students should call **268-3850** to reschedule rather than showing up at an alternate time.
- Students will need to present one valid form of picture ID before testing. Student ID, driver's license, military ID, and passports are a valid form of ID. **No one will be admitted without a current, valid ID.**
- Cellular phones must be turned off while in the Center and, together with **all** other personal items, must be placed in one of the lockers provided by the Academic Testing Center.
- **No hooded sweatshirts, coats, jackets, or hats are allowed in the testing room.**
- All scratch paper and writing utensils will be supplied by the ATC.
- No food or drinks, other than bottled water in a clear plastic container with all labels removed, will be allowed in the Testing Room. All water that is allowed must be kept on the floor, not on the desktop.
- No children are allowed in the Academic Testing Center.
- The ADA testing room is only available to candidates with documented needs. Please contact the Casper College Accommodative Services Counselor, Brent Heuer (x2557), in advance of testing to arrange for necessary documentation.