Testing Services

Website: http://utsa.edu/testing/
Main Campus location: MS 1.01.04; 210-458-4125
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The Office of Testing Services provides University-wide testing services for UTSA current, graduated and prospective students as well as faculty and community members. The Office provides both national and institutional testing for the purposes of admission, placement, and course credit. The following tests are offered:

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ACCUPLACER

ACCUPLACER is a teacher certification program entry exam requirement given by the Testing Services office on a weekly basis at both campuses by computer. Register through ASAP utilizing the link for Testing Services test registration.

ACT

The national ACT examination are given for the purpose of admission. Information on the national ACT, which can be used at any college or university, can be found by visiting www.act.org (http://www.act.org).

Chemistry Placement

Taking and passing the Chemistry Placement exam is a prerequisite to enrolling in CHE 1103 General Chemistry I. The Chemistry Placement exam may be taken only once every two years. Students who achieve the appropriate cutoff score and meet the math prerequisite requirement can register for the General Chemistry course. If the cutoff score is not reached, the student may enroll in CHE 1073 Basic Chemistry but not General Chemistry. Registration for the Chemistry Placement exam is available through ASAP (https://asap.utsa.edu) at the Testing Services Office (test registration) link. Study resource information is available at testing.utsa.edu/ (http://testing.utsa.edu).

CLEP

CLEP testing provides the opportunity to gain course credit by examination and covers many of the core courses in a student’s graduation track. Visit http://utsa.edu/testing/clep.html for the current list of courses available. CLEP tests are administered by computer at both the Main and Downtown campuses. Advanced registration and payment is required through both the College Board website (http://www.collegeboard.com/CLEP) and the Testing Services website (http://utsa.edu/testing). Study suggestions are available through the College Board’s website at www.collegeboard.com/CLEP/ (http://www.collegeboard.com/CLEP). CLEP testing costs a fraction of the cost of a course and takes just two hours for testing and results.

Competency Based Exams

Prior learning may be assessed by institutionally developed exams which grant credit for specific courses administered by Testing Services. Please refer to the current Undergraduate Catalog, Appendix C, for a full list of CBEs available. Registration for a CBE is available through ASAP (https://asap.utsa.edu) at the Testing Services Office (test registration) link.

Correspondence Testing

Correspondence testing is offered September through April to students who are taking courses at other universities and are required to have their examinations proctored at a testing facility. The Office of Testing Services must be contacted at least three weeks prior to any proposed examination date. All fees are paid online prior to any approved test session. No correspondence exam times are offered in the summer months. Certification exams do not fall under the correspondence service. Correspondence exams must be part of a college course to qualify.

DSST (DANTES Standardized Subject Test)

UTSA currently administers and awards course credit for several DANTES exams. Visit http://utsa.edu/testing/Dantes.html for a list of courses for credit as well as test location and registration information.

ENGAGE

The ENGAGE offered to incoming freshman students and is a student-based survey meant to provide recommendations on UTSA resources that may assist during a student’s college career. ENGAGE should be taken online prior to course registration utilizing a group link sent through the University communications however it may also be taken on campus through test registration on ASAP (https://asap.utsa.edu).

FACT (Financial Accounting Competency Test)

Testing Services administers the FACT for the Finance Department. Passing the FACT exam is a prerequisite to registering for FIN 3023 Intermediate Corporate Finance. Further information from the Finance Department can be found by visiting the Department’s website (http://business.utsa.edu/finance/files/FACTEXamFinDeptWebsite.pdf). Registration for a FACT exam is available through ASAP (https://asap.utsa.edu) at the Testing Services Office (test registration) link.

IS 1403

IS 1403 is a Test-out Series offered through the Testing Services offices for the College of Business. Students can save money by taking the IS 1403 test-out option versus registering for the entire course. Registration for an IS 1403 exam is offered on the current SAM website. Before testing can begin, the student must complete a disclaimer for the Testing Services Office. Specific information regarding this process can be found on the Office of Testing Services website (http://utsa.edu/testing).
LSAT
LSAT testing is administered to students seeking admission to law school. LSAT registration is available online at www.lsac.org (http://www.lsac.org).

Math Placement
All students who are TSI complete and are seeking to fulfill the prerequisite for MAT 1093 Precalculus, MAT 1214 Calculus I or MAT 1193 Calculus for the Biosciences course registration by testing may choose to take math placement exam. Registration for a Math Placement exam is available through ASAP (https://asap.utsa.edu) at the Testing Services Office (test registration) link. Study resource information is available at www.math.utsa.edu/ (http://www.math.utsa.edu) or testing.utsa.edu/ (http://testing.utsa.edu).

PACE (Principles of Accounting Competency Exam)
Testing Services administers the PACE for the Accounting Department. Passing the PACE exam is a prerequisite to registering for ACC 3023 Intermediate Accounting I. Further information from the Accounting Department can be found by visiting the Department's website (http://business.utsa.edu/accounting/acc_competency_exam.aspx). Registration for a PACE exam is available through ASAP (https://asap.utsa.edu) at the Testing Services Office (test registration) link.

Practice TExES
The Offices of Testing Services administers the Practice TExES exam for the College of Education and Human Development, TExES & Student Teaching office. All inquiries regarding test dates, prep classes and test scores should be directed to the TExES & Student Teaching Office. Registration for a test session is done through ASAP (https://asap.utsa.edu).

TExES
TExES is administered to students seeking teacher certification in special content areas. Certain TExES exams are administered by computer in the Testing Services offices at both the Main and Downtown campuses. Students who have obtained a barcode from Teacher Certification may register for a test session at the following website: www.texas.ets.org (http://www.texas.ets.org).

THEA IBT
Texas Higher Education Assessment offered to Teacher Certification candidates. Candidates initially register through www.thea.nesinc.com and then select a site and pay appropriate site fees. Additional site information is available at www.utsa.edu/testing (http://www.utsa.edu/testing).

TOEFL
TOEFL testing is administered by computer at the Downtown Testing Services Office location according to the schedule established by ETS and Prometric. TOEFL schedule and registration information can be accessed at www.ets.org/toefl/ (http://www.ets.org/toefl).

Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Assessment
The TSI law requires Texas public institutions of higher education to assess the academic skills of each non-exempt, undergraduate student to determine the student’s readiness to enroll in freshman-level academic coursework. Students may view their TSI status on their orientation registration page or on their ASAP student account. If a “TSI needed” status is on a student account, it could be due to incomplete or missing scores at UTSA, or because scores on file did not meet the minimum state requirements. Please review a list of all exemptions and score requirements at: www.utsa.edu/success (http://www.utsa.edu/success). If the student has a “TSI needed” status, then Texas State Law requires students to be assessed in the areas of need prior to registration for any courses. Advanced registration for a test session is required through ASAP (https://asap.utsa.edu) when testing at UTSA. State law requires completion of the Pre-Assessment Activity (PAA) online prior to delivery of the TSI exam, please refer to the Testing Services website (http://testing.utsa.edu) for more information.

Visit the Testing Services Website for information on the following tests not given at UTSA:

GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test)
The GMAT is required of students who wish to pursue graduate work in business. The GMAT is administered through Prometric. Students interested in registering for the GMAT examination should call 1-800-717-GMAT (4628) or visit www.mba.com (http://www.mba.com).

GRE (Graduate Record Examination)
The GRE is required of students who wish to pursue graduate work in any area other than business. Students interested in registering for a GRE examination should visit the ETS website at www.ets.org/gre/ (http://www.ets.org/gre).