

## **Test for Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)**

### **Radiation Therapy Technology**

Beginning with the Fall 2018 class, the Test for Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) exam will be required for all applicants to the Radiation Therapy Technology. TEAS offers the College an additional standardized assessment tool to review applicant skill levels. Test results will be taken into consideration for admission.

#### **How do I register for the exam?**

Create an account at [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com) . You will be registering for the TEAS for Nursing Students (not Allied Health) We know you are not a nursing candidate, but there is greater availability of test dates by registering under the nursing link. You will then be able to select a date and register for the exam. You should register for an exam at Nassau Community College, because most other schools will only allow their students to test at their location. If you are a current NCC student, please register using your NCC student ID number or NCC email. Your NCC-ID is in the form of "N00XXXXXX" and is entered as capital N, followed by 2 zeros and 6 unique numbers that belong to you. A credit or debit card for the non-refundable fee is also required. If you fail to test on your scheduled dates, you will need to re-register for the exam and re-pay for the new exam.

#### **When is the exam offered?**

The exam is offered throughout the year. Available dates are posted at the ATI website [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com). Dates are typically posted about 3 months in advance. All applications for the Radiation Therapy Technology program must be submitted by the deadline. Testing must be completed by the deadline.

#### **Where is the exam offered?**

The exam is offered in Building U-123. (Building U is also the Center for Students with Disabilities.)

#### **The date I want to test is full. Do you accept walk-ins?**

We do not accept walk-ins. You must register in advance, usually, a minimum of 48 hours before the exam. We have a limited number of seats available for each exam.

#### **Are there any requirements to take the test at NCC?**

A valid government issued photo ID such as a driver's license, state-issued ID or passport are required to test. Bring your confirmation along with your ATI username and password to the exam.

#### **What does the exam test you on?**

The TEAS test is designed to assess knowledge and skills in four areas: math, reading, English and science. The reading subtest consists of items that include paragraph comprehension, passage comprehension and inferences/conclusions. The math subtest includes whole numbers, metric conversion, fractions, decimals, algebraic equations, percentages and ratio/proportion. The science subtest includes science reasoning, science knowledge, biology, chemistry, anatomy, physiology, basic physical principles and general science. The English and language subtest includes items covering punctuation, grammar, sentence structure, contextual words and spelling.

#### **How long is the exam?**

The time Limit is 209 minutes or about 3 and a half hours. There are a total of 170 multiple choice questions. There is a calculator built into the exam.

**What is a passing score?**

The college will be looking for overall proficiency of 58.7. The TEAS score is just one of several tools that will be used to select candidates for the limited number of seats we have available.

**What if I do not do well on the exam? Can I take it again?**

For the Radiation Therapy Technology program, you may retake the exam. We suggest that you do some additional review in between testing. All testing must be completed before the application deadline. If you choose to take the test again you must register and pay all fees each time you take the test.

**How should I prepare for the exam?**

There are TEAS review books available in the college bookstore, libraries and through ATI. ATI offers an online review course available at an additional cost. Nassau Community College also offers an in person, TEAS review course through Continuing Education. Questions about the TEAS review class: call 516.572.7472 or visit [www.ncc.edu/ced](http://www.ncc.edu/ced)

**I took the test someplace else. Can I send a transcript to NCC?**

If you tested elsewhere, contact ATI and have an official score report sent to the Office of Admissions at Nassau Community College.

**I took the test five years ago. Are my scores still good?**

Test scores will be valid for five years.

**I have more questions, who should I contact?** Call Nikoleta Naparstek, 516-572-9640 ex26555 email at [Nikoleta.Naparstek@ncc.edu](mailto:Nikoleta.Naparstek@ncc.edu)

Questions about the Radiation Therapy Technology program should be directed to: Allied Health Sciences Department 516-572-9640 or [Nikoleta.Naparstek@ncc.edu](mailto:Nikoleta.Naparstek@ncc.edu)

Questions about the TEAS exam at NCC: call 516.572.9947

Questions about the TEAS review class: call 516.572.7472

ATI customer service: 800.667.7531

**I require special accommodations to test. How do I go about receiving them?**

Requests and documentation for special accommodations must be faxed to our Continuing Education Office 516.572.7503 at least 2 weeks before the scheduled exam. (Paperwork can also be emailed to [CLEP@ncc.edu](mailto:CLEP@ncc.edu) or dropped off at 356 East Road. Depending upon the accommodation being requested, we may need to schedule you for a different date. Please call 516.572.9947 or 572.7699 to verify that the documentation has been received.

If you are registered with the Students with Disabilities Office at NCC we can accept the documentation you would provide your instructor.