

CERRITOS COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) Testing

All students entering a community college nursing program (except LVN 30unit option and BRN Referrals) must pass a state-regulated diagnostic assessment test to be eligible for admission.

Cerritos College accepts the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) and the HESI Exam. Applicants must receive a $\geq 62\%$ on the TEAS Exam OR a $\geq 70\%$ on the HESI Exam²(science must be included).

Cerritos College offers TEAS testing on campus, with the nursing department, for eligible applicants twice a year.

The TEAS Exam tests Math, English, Reading and Science. All students are encouraged to log onto www.atitesting.com for study material and other useful resources and information. The ATI TEAS is now being accepted. The TEAS V is no longer accepted.

All applicants are HIGHLY encouraged to test the TEAS Exam at a testing location prior to submitting their application materials AND to include a hard copy of the TEAS results (scores) with the application. The TEAS Score will be calculated in the applicant's Multiselective Criterion.

Testing Scenarios:

- Once you take ATI TEAS and pass, you must wait at least 365 days before re-testing to improve your score. Once you retest, the most recent score will be taken and accepted.
- If you do not pass the ATI TEAS on your first attempt, you may:
 - 1) Remediate with the school who tested you and then re-test within one year (after your remediation has been completed) OR
 - 2) Wait at least 365 days and re-test
**Note: TEAS results are accepted within 365 days from a previous attempt ONLY if there is clear evidence of documented remediation completed with a college institution due to having failed the test.*
 - 3) If you have taken ATI TEAS as a second attempt (or more), and are not completing a remediation plan, then you will need to wait at least 365 days before you re-test. Retesting scores prior to 365 days (without proof of remediation) will not be accepted.
 - Generally, remediation plans set forth by a nursing program will take six months to one year to complete. A student must show documented remediation after failing the test (anywhere) or wait at least one year before attempting the test again. If you do not pass the re-test, you must wait at least 365 days before taking the test for a third attempt.

Study material to prepare you for or to help you raise your TEAS score can be found in ATI's Smart Prep for TEAS at <http://atitesting.com/teas/smart-prep>