

TEAS Information Sheet

1. What is the TEAS V?

The TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills, Version V) is an Internet-based, multiple-choice exam that assesses a student's abilities in four content areas. The test measures basic essential skills in the academic content area domains of reading, mathematics, science, and English and language usage. It is used as one component of the selection process for admitting students to the nursing program at Odessa College and in many nursing schools in the nation.. The TEAS is a 3 hour and 29 minute, 170 question examination with the following format:

READING 58 minutes; 48 questions

Paragraph Comprehension

Passage Comprehension

Inferences/Conclusions

MATH 51 minutes; 34 questions

Whole numbers

Metric conversion

Fractions and decimals

Percentages, ratios and proportions

Algebraic equations

SCIENCE 66 minutes; 54 questions

Scientific Reasoning

Biology

Life Science, Earth Science

Chemistry, A&P, physical principles

General science

English 34 minutes; 34 questions

Contextual words

Sentence Structure

Grammar and punctuation

Word meaning and spelling

2. When should I take the TEAS assessment?

It is recommended that you wait to take the TEAS at least until you have completed Anatomy and Physiology I.

Students must take Version V of the TEAS prior to the application deadline dates shown:

<i>Application Deadline</i>	<i>TEAS Testing Period</i>
May 20 for Fall (late August) Admission	September 21 – May 20*
September 20 for Spring (mid January) Admission	May 21 – September 20*
May 1 for ADN to RN Transition Students for Maymester Admission	May 2 – May 1* Contact the Nursing Department for information on retakes.

***Please note:** The TEAS may only be taken **once** during each application cycle.

3. What score do I need to make on the TEAS in order to apply to the Nursing Program?

Academic Preparedness Category of Proficient or higher (minimum 58.7%) is required.

4. What version of the TEAS is accepted for application to the OC Nursing Program?

Version V of the TEAS is the only version of the TEAS accepted by the Odessa College Nursing Program. The TEAS Version V must be taken at the Odessa College Testing Center in order to be accepted.

5. What resources are available to prepare for the TEAS?

- ATI Testing sells a study manual (Version V - ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS V) Study Manual) and an online practice test, which are available for purchase at www.atitesting.com. The study guide is also available at the OC bookstore and other booksellers.
- Practice questions and other information about the TEAS can be found at www.testprepreview.com
- Students may register for the Plato Web Learning Network (www.platoweb.com) at The Student Success Center in The Learning Resource Center at Odessa College. Information to assist in preparing for the TEAS can be found at this site.

6. When and where do I go to take the TEAS?

The TEAS is administered at the OC Testing Center (335-6620) Monday through Friday. Please allow four hours to complete the registration and test. The last testing time is at 1pm Monday through Thursday, and 9 am Friday.

7. How much does the test cost?

The total cost is \$40.00; a \$15.00 fee to be paid at the OC Cashier's office (any form of payment is accepted) and a \$25.00 fee to ATI (Assessment Technologies Institute) to be paid by credit or debit card only. The ATI fee is to be paid in the Testing Center by accessing the ATI website.

8. What do I need to take to the Testing Center?

Bring a photo ID, your SS card, a receipt from the OC Cashier's office, and a credit or debit

card to pay ATI. The Testing Center will provide pencil and paper. Calculators are not allowed.

9. When will I receive my score?

Your test scores along with an explanation of the results will print out when the test is completed.

10. Do I bring my test results to the Nursing Office?

No, the Nursing Office will retrieve your TEAS score electronically.

Should I retake the TEAS each time I apply? If you have met the minimum score needed, it is not necessary to retake the TEAS unless the test version has changed or it has been three years since you tested. However, if you feel you could improve your score, you may retake the test. You are responsible to pay for the test each time you take it.