Entrance Testing for Undergraduate Nursing Program

Frequently Asked Questions

Is there an entrance test for admission to the nursing major? Yes. Students applying for September 2014 will take the **ATI Critical Thinking Entrance test**. The use of this shorter test (40 items and 40 minutes) is being used for the second year. Our local research suggests that this test, in combination with the student's grades, is a fairly good predictor of student success in our program.

I already took the TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills). Do I also need to take this test? Yes. The TEAS was last used at Madonna in 2011 and all results will be over two years old by the time students will be applying for Sptember 2014 and later.

Is anyone exempt from this testing? Students who began study at Madonna directly after high school and had ACT composite scores of 20 or higher.

Can I study for this test? There are no specifically prepared practice or study materials for this test. There are some textbooks available regarding critical thinking that may be of some value.

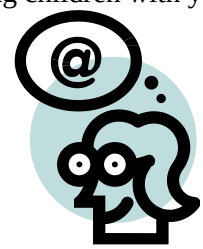
How do I register for the computer-based test? You need to reserve a spot with our testing coordinator, Mrs. Julee Gould, either by email (jgould@madonna.edu) or telephone (734-432-5476). You must also create a username and password with ATI at www.atitesting.com . You do not register to take the test on the ATI website.

How much does the test cost and how do I pay? The fee is $40 and may be paid on-line at www.madonna.edu or in person at Student Accounts, Room 2005, Academic Building. The fee must be paid prior to taking the test . The payment receipt and a picture ID must be presented on arrival at the test site.

When will the test be given? The ATI Critical Thinking test will be given in September, October, November and January 2014 for students applying for September 2014. Please email Mrs. Gould jgould@madonna.edu regarding exact dates, which are usually the third Friday. **Please plan to arrive 15 minutes before the test time.**

Can I retake the test? **One** retake is permitted. The higher score is considered for admission purposes.

Where will the test be given and what do I need to bring? The test is given in room 147 DiPonio You will need: a pen or pencil, testing fee receipt, ATI username and password and a photo ID. No calculators, books or scrap paper are permitted. Scrap paper will be provided as necessary. Please do not bring children with you.



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