

## Academic Basic Skills Competency Assessments 2017-2018

**Prior to admission to Teacher Education at Purdue, candidates must complete the state-mandated basic skills requirement, which can be met in several ways as noted below. Anyone with a Master's Degree from a regionally accredited institution is exempt from this requirement.**

### **Basic Skills Competency Alternative Assessment Options**

- ACT composite score of at least 24 based on Math, Reading, Grammar, and Science
- SAT with a score of at least 1100 based on Critical Reading and Math\*  
\*In order to convert "New SAT" (after March 1, 2016) scores to "Old SAT" (pre-March 1, 2016) scores, please visit the [SAT Score Converter](https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/understanding-scores/sat-score-converter) at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/understanding-scores/sat-score-converter>
- GRE with a score of at least 301 based on Verbal and Quantitative on or after 08/01/2011

**If one of the above options is not met, the Pearson Indiana Core Academic Skills Assessments (CASA) tests must be completed.**

<b>CASA Test</b>	<b>Test Code</b>	<b>Passing Score</b>	<b>Duration</b>
Reading	001	220	75 minutes
Mathematics	002	220	75 minutes
Writing	003	220	105 minutes

### **CASA Registration Information**

Candidates can register for each computer-based CASA subtest independently or register for all three subtests in one test session. Test appointment and test center availability can be viewed when completing the registration process. Information regarding the Pearson tests is located at [http://www.in.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML\\_FRAG/IN001\\_TestPage.html](http://www.in.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/IN001_TestPage.html) and [www.in.nesinc.com](http://www.in.nesinc.com). Please note the CASA is only available in Indiana.

### **Coding Purdue University as the Recipient Institution**

Scores must be released to Purdue University at the time of testing. Select **Purdue University**, not a regional campus, as the score recipient.

### **CASA Test Fees**

The test fee is \$38 per subtest. Additional test center fees may apply. These fees are determined by each testing site. It is the test candidate's responsibility to clarify test center administration fees and associated policies with the test center directly.

### **Payment Information**

Test fees must be paid using a credit card (VISA or MasterCard only) or a debit or check card that carries the VISA or MasterCard logo and that can be used without the entry of a personal identification number (PIN). Bank cards without a VISA or MasterCard logo cannot be accepted. The merchant name that will appear on your credit card statement is "Internet Testing Systems."

**Examinees without a credit card:** If you do not have a VISA or MasterCard, contact Evaluation Systems at <http://www.in.nesinc.com/Contacts.aspx> for information about how to submit payment by check.

## **Taking CASA at Purdue University: the Purdue Extended Campus, Digital Education Testing Center**

Candidates may want to take the CASA at the Purdue University Digital Education Testing Center. The first step in registering is to contact Pearson at [www.in.nesinc.com](http://www.in.nesinc.com), pay for the exam(s), and select a test date. Then visit the Purdue Digital Education Testing Center site at <https://www.distance.purdue.edu/exam/> to pay your test administration fee. After you pay your fee, a “date of exam” box will be provided to type in your selected test date. If you have further questions, please contact Digital Education at [distancelearning@purdue.edu](mailto:distancelearning@purdue.edu) or call 765-496-1422.

### **Receipt of Official Scores**

If you take CASA—Reading or CASA—Mathematics, you will receive a preliminary passing status for those subtests on the computer screen at the test center immediately after submitting your test. CASA—Writing includes a constructed-response assignment, so you will not receive a preliminary passing status for that subtest.

Your official score report will be available in your account on the CASA website according to the following schedule:

- **If you take only CASA—Reading or CASA—Mathematics:** your score report is available within 10 business days after testing.
- **If you take CASA—Writing or all CASA subtests at one time:** your score report for *all subtests taken on the test date* is available within 20 business days after testing.

**For Test Preparation Resources visit:**

<https://www.education.purdue.edu/teacher-preparation/licensure/testing/>

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