Towson University Department of Nursing requires the TEAS test as part of the nursing undergraduate basic program application process. The total adjusted score you receive on the test will be considered as part of the selective admissions process. **If you do not participate in the TEAS test, your application will not be evaluated for nursing admission.**

**WHAT IS THE TEAS TEST?**

The ATI TEAS, or Test of Essential Academic Skills, is designed specifically to assess a student's preparedness entering the health science fields. The ATI TEAS test is comprised of 170 questions set up in a multiple-choice format with four-option answers. Questions are designed to test the basic academic skills you will need to perform in class in the areas of: Reading, Math, Science, and English and Language Usage.

**WHO SHOULD REGISTER FOR THE TEAS TEST?**

All applicants for the undergraduate nursing basic program including second bachelor’s degree applicants.

**HOW DO I REGISTER FOR THE TEAS TEST?**

You must first create an ATI account by going to ATI’s website at [http://atitesting.com/teas/register](http://atitesting.com/teas/register) and click on create an account then follow the screen prompts. You will only need to register once. You will register for the **TEAS with PSI** and follow the specific instructions for registration, payment, and test completion. If you have difficulties navigating the ATI Testing web site, please call ATI directly for assistance. Phone: 800.667.7531

**WHAT IS THE FEE FOR THE TEAS?**

The fee is determined by ATI and the testing location. It is paid upon registration for the test.

**WHEN SHOULD I TAKE THE TEAS TEST?**

Students are encouraged to register for and take the TEAS test PRIOR to the nursing application deadline (January 15th for fall; August 15 for spring). Although required supplemental application materials such as the TEAS will be accepted until February 1st for fall admission consideration and September 1st for spring admission consideration. The official TEAS transcript is required in order to complete your nursing application for review. Results for the exam will be posted to your ATI account and mailed to the school within 96 hours of testing.

**MAY I PREPARE IN ANYWAY FOR THE TEAS?**


**HOW MANY TIMES MAY I TAKE THE TEAS?**

You may take the test twice per application period. Attempts exceeding two will not be considered for admission. You are required to pay for the test each time you take the test. Towson will use the highest Adjusted Individual Score.

**WHAT IS A PASSING SCORE?**

The TEAS exam is not a pass or fail test. Students completing the TEAS exam must earn a Proficient or higher in the ATI Academic Preparedness Category as a minimum for admission. A competitive score on the TEAS is generally an 85%-86%.