

# **ATI TEAS 6 NURSING ENTRANCE EXAM** **PROCEDURES**

## **STEPS REQUIRED PRIOR TO TAKING THE ATI TEAS 6 EXAM AT MIDDLE GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY:**

- 1. Be already admitted to MGA**
- 2. Submit an electronic application to the Nursing program on the Department of Nursing's webpage <http://www.mga.edu/health-sciences/nursing/default.aspx> between the start & ending dates for your intended semester of admission.**

### **Nursing Entrance Test – Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS), version 6**

TEAS is available through Assessment Technology Institute (ATI) and is widely used for nursing school selection throughout the United States. Website is: [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com). At MGA it is offered only by the Testing Services department throughout the year. Please check the Testing Services website at [www.mga.edu/ts](http://www.mga.edu/ts) for availability. The exam is computer-based & administered in MGA Testing Centers located in Macon, Warner Robins, Dublin, and Cochran. The exam will be offered at least once a month but more frequently during the active application span.

**Prior TEAS testing:** MGA allows students who have taken & scored Proficient range or higher on TEAS 6 **within 365 days** of the application deadline to use those scores, if desired. TEAS taken elsewhere must be transferred via your ATI account to Middle GA State's Department of Nursing.

Email [nursingapps@mga.edu](mailto:nursingapps@mga.edu) if you have a question about how to transfer valid ATI TEAS transcripts to MGA.

### **PREPARE for TEAS TESTING!**

ATI 's online store ([atitesting.com](http://atitesting.com)) offers for purchase resources to help you study and practice for the TEAS. Students who study with these tend to score higher than those who fail to prepare.

- ***ATI TEAS STUDY MANUAL, SIXTH VERSION.*** This official TEAS resource can also be purchased at the [MGA bookstores](#) & online. The **ISBN # is 978-1-56533-564-6.**
- ***ATI TEAS SMART PREP*** is a self-guided online tutorial helps students effectively and easily prepare for the ATI TEAS. Students learn through engaging and interactive tutorials as well as focused remediation purchased through ATI. <http://atitesting.info/teas-course/>
- TEAS Online Practice Assessments for purchase through ATI

**Important Advice:** The best way to prepare for a high-stakes standardized admissions test such as TEAS is to review/practice the subject matter and then to also undergo practice exams.

**MGA TEST FEE PAYMENT:** TEAS testing requires a **\$70** non-refundable test which is paid online during the registration process. Questions about fee payment may be addressed to the Testing Center: 478-471-2050 (Macon) or 478-934-3093 (Cochran).

## **Create an ATI account prior to Testing**

Examinees must have an Assessment Technology Institute (ATI) account to purchase prep materials and in order to test. Create your account as soon as possible.

1. [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com)
2. *Create an Account*
3. Enter all required information. Under the *Institution* Section be sure to select Middle GA State University and include your MGA Student ID.
4. *Submit*
5. Keep a record of the username and password you created for this account as you must have it to log into ATI TEAS on the test date.

## **Make Your Appointment for TEAS Testing**

Please refer to the Testing Services web page & use this link [www.mga.edu/ts](http://www.mga.edu/ts) for the TEAS registration process. On the web page, under admission exams, select “Nursing Entrance Test”. After reading all of the provided information you may select “Click to Register” at the bottom of the page. You will be redirected to RegisterBlast, where you will be able to select available locations, dates, and times to register for your TEAS exam.

*Please Note:* You may only take the TEAS exam at a Middle Georgia State University Testing Center 3 times within a calendar year.

## **Test day procedures**

- Test check-in begins 15 minutes prior to test start time. NO ADMITTANCE IS ALLOWED AFTER THE TEST START TIME.
- Test time is approximately **3 ½ hours**, not including check-in and exam instructions.
- Bring to the testing center your TEAS username & password created at [atitesting.com](http://atitesting.com).
- Bring a valid photo identification which includes a driver’s license, government ID card, passport, military ID, or alien residency (green) card.
- The calculator is embedded in the TEAS soft-ware.
- Dress in layers to ensure personal comfort. You will not, however, be allowed to wear caps, hats, scarves, coats, or jackets during the exam.

The following **items** are **prohibited during testing**: books, papers, notes, pagers, cell phones, any other electronic devices, or reference materials. Please do not bring these items to the testing center.

## **ATI TEAS Score Report**

***Your score will be displayed to you immediately upon completion of TEAS testing.*** You will not be allowed to print the report in the test center or to write them on scratch paper before you

leave. You will, however, be able to access/print your scores from home through your ATI account.

You should target scoring within the **Proficient** Academic Preparedness Level on TEAS VI. Proficient scores generally indicate a moderate level of overall academic preparedness necessary to support learning of nursing-related content. The Proficient level range is from **58.7%-77%**. Two lower TEAS levels are Developmental & Basic; two higher are Advanced and Exemplary.

As with your overall college and nursing core GPAs, the higher your TEAS score, the more competitive you will be.

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