

TSI Checklist for Freshman Orientation

Incoming students should use this checklist to navigate basic Texas Success Initiative requirements here at UNT. For more detailed information, check out the LearningCenter.unt.edu/TexasSuccessInitiative.

TSI Status

Review the enclosed letter if you have not already done so.

- The attached letter will state your TSI status according to the transcripts we have on file. Unless you are able to submit proof of exemption for any sections in which we have you marked TSI Incomplete, these are the sections in which you'll need to test.
- Move on to the next step.

Exemptions

Check to see if you qualify for an exemption from the TSI Assessment.

- If you think you **DO** qualify for an exemption found on our website or the back of this page, you will need to submit proof to the Learning Center. We may not have all of your transcripts on file, so it is your responsibility to confirm that all of your records have been reviewed by the TSI team.
- If you **DO NOT** qualify for any of the exemptions found on our website or the back of this page, you'll need to take the TSI Assessment as soon as possible. Move on to the next step.

Test Location

Find a place to test by reviewing the enclosed testing flyer or checking the LC website (see above).

- Test online from home with a virtual proctor. -> **Submit a Remote Proctoring Request (RPR).**
- Test at another school. -> **Contact the school at which you'd like to test and submit a Remote Proctoring Request (RPR) if they require a voucher to do so.**
- Test at the UNT campus in the Gateway Testing Center. -> **Call 940.369.7617 for an appointment.**

Visit LearningCenter.unt.edu/tsitesting for details about your options or complete the RPR.

Test Prep

Complete the Pre-Assessment Activity (PAA) found at learningcenter.unt.edu/TSIPreAssessmentActivityStart. You will not be able to test unless you provide proof of completing this to the test proctor.

Study for the test. There are several resources located on the LC website that will point you towards helpful study tools. The TSIA is a significant assessment that may have a significant impact on the courses in which you are allowed to enroll. Make sure you spend an adequate amount of time preparing to perform your best.

Post-Test

Take the TSIA and submit scores to the Learning Center. These are the minimum scores needed to become TSI Complete: **Reading-351, Math-350, Writing-5 Essay OR 4 Essay w/ 363 MC.**

- If you earned below the scores on any given section, you'll meet with a TSI advisor during orientation before registering for classes. At that time, you'll learn about courses in which you are eligible to enroll. **If you did not earn the minimum scores, you may also take the assessment again.**
- **Email TSI@unt.edu to let the TSI team know where and when you tested so we can try to access your scores or send us a copy of the score report via fax or email.**

EXEMPTION	READING	WRITING	MATH	Documentation Needed
ACT Score good for 5 years from date taken	Composite 23 AND English 19	Composite 23 AND English 19	Composite 23 AND Math 19	Copy of Test Scores
SAT <i>Taken prior to 3/16</i>	*Composite 1070 AND Critical Reading/Verbal 500	*Composite 1070 AND Critical Reading/ Verbal 500	*Composite 1070 AND Math 500	Copy of Test Scores
*SAT Composite score includes ONLY the Critical Reading/Verbal and Math sections. It DOES NOT include the Writing section.				
REVISED SAT <i>Taken during or after 3/16</i> Score good for 5 years from date taken	Evidence Based Reading/ Writing 480	Evidence Based Reading/ Writing 480	Math 530	Copy of Test Scores
TAKS Score good for 5 years from date taken	ELA 2200 AND Writing Essay score 3	ELA 2200 AND Writing Essay score 3	Math 2200	Copy of Test Scores
STAAR The State DOES NOT allow us to use the English 2 or Algebra 1 exam.	Level 2 on the English 3 End-of-Course Exam	Level 2 on the English 3 End-of-Course Exam	Level 2 on the Algebra 2 End-of-Course Exam	Copy of Test Scores
AP	3- English Lang & Comp 3- History 3- Govt. and Politics	3- English Lang & Comp 3- History	3- Calculus 3- Statistics	Copy of Test Scores
	<i>There are many AP exam possibilities with the commonly accepted listed here. If you have successfully completed a different AP exam and would like a review of your scores for TSI exemption purposes, please send us your score report.</i>			
DUAL CREDIT/ PREVIOUS COLLEGE CREDIT	Depending on what college-level course(s) you have already successfully completed, you may be exempt from taking the TSI Assessment in one or more areas. A TSI Coordinator will evaluate your <u>COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY</u> transcript(s) to determine if the courses you have successfully completed will qualify. <i>Straighterline and ALEKS are not accepted for TSI purposes.</i>			Copy of Transcript documenting course(s) completed and grades
DEGREE HOLDER	You are exempt in all areas if you hold a domestic associate or baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education.			Copy of Transcript indicating degree was conferred
MILITARY	You may be exempt if you are serving on active duty as a member of the armed forces of the US, the Texas National Guard, or as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the US and have been serving for at least 3 years preceding enrollment You may be exempt if you were honorably discharged, retired, or released from active duty as a member of the armed forces of the US or the Texas National Guard or served as a member of the armed forces of the US			Copy of DD-214
PREVIOUS TSI EXEMPTION	Often, if you attended a previous college/university that has already determined you TSI complete, your transcripts from that previous institution may indicate that status.			Copy of transcript documenting approved test scores or college readiness
NONE OF THESE APPLY	You must take the TSI Assessment before attending orientation!			