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Test taking is very much a part of student life on a university campus. The overall goal of the Office of Testing Services is to provide students and the university with information that will help those involved make sound academic decisions. Towards that end, the office coordinates and administers a wide variety of standardized tests as well as maintains a supply of bulletins for them. These include tests used for admission to colleges, universities, and professional schools; tests for proper placement in English and math classes; tests that assess the writing skills required of graduates of this university; and tests that assess preparation and potential for success in graduate schools and programs.

Testing Services includes a Computer-based Testing (CBT) center, open Tuesday through Saturday. Anyone needing the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), PRAXIS, or National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) may call or come in for information on how to take these tests.

Undergraduate Entrance Examinations

- The student application for admission to California State University may require scores from the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Testing (ACT) Program. Though these tests are not routinely administered on this campus at this time, staff members have information about dates and places for them.
- The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is usually required for international students seeking admittance to our university. Special institutional TOEFL dates are scheduled each year for students enrolled in our American English Institute (AEI). For non-AEI students, the

TOEFL is offered on computer in our Computer-based Testing (CBT) center.

Undergraduate Required Tests

- The English Placement Test (EPT) and Entry Level Mathematics (ELM) test are given a minimum of eight times each year on our campus. Unless a student has qualified for exception from them, these tests are required for placement into English and math classes the first semester of attendance here.
- The Upper-Division Writing Examination (UDWE) is offered five times each year. Passing this test is one way students may choose to meet the Upper-Division Writing requirement for graduation from this university. Students are eligible to take this exam and need to take it as soon as they have completed 60 units of coursework including ENGL 5B or 10; taking it before accumulating 90 units is strongly advised.

Graduate School Testing

Testing Services administers several tests given statewide or nationwide for admission to special programs of study and graduate schools. They include the following:

- Graduate Record Exam (GRE Subject)
- Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and the PRAXIS and Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT) — all paper/pencil exams.
- GRE (General) and TOEFL iBT™ —all administered only on computer
- Miller Analogies Test (MAT) — a choice of either paper-based or computer-based.
- Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) - only on computer

For more information about tests and services, stop by the Office of Testing Services, Family and Food Sciences, Room 110, and ask the people who work with tests the most.