Testing Service & Programs

The Thomasson building is the 2nd oldest building on the campus that holds our Testing Service & Programs. It was constructed in 1903 which served as a chapel and then later became a library from the 1920’s to the 1970’s. It was named after Dr. Maurice Thomasson.

Our Mission of the Testing Services and Programs office is to assist Delaware State University students and the surrounding communities in assessing their knowledge, skills and abilities as relates to higher and continuing education by providing a variety of programming to engage and promote student success and testing credentialing. This is accomplished through the use of written, computer-adapted assessments, workshops and testing instruments.
What’s Going on With TSP?

**Standardized Testing:**
- PRAXIS
- Certified Professional Secretary (CPS)
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE)
- Certified Administrative Professional (CAP)
- Law School Admission Test (LSAT)
- Professional Testing Corporation (PTC)
- National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC)
- Miller Analogies Test (MAT)
- NAESA
- Parapro

**Credit by Examination (CBE):**
- CLEP
- DANTES (DSST)
- Work Keys Assessments
- Courtesy
- Distance Learning

**Other:**
- Graduate Education Diploma (GED)
- College Readiness
- Accuplacer Student Placement Testing
- Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA)
- Student Satisfaction Inventory Administration (SSI)
- Online Course Evaluations (OCE)

**Partnerships:**
- Comira
- FAA
- Kryterion
- ISO Quality
- PearsonVue

The list on the side is only a handful of the testing we provide at Testing Service and Programs. As a full-service testing center, Testing Services & Programs also offers a place where students from other Colleges and Universities can have their exams proctored. In addition to these services, we provide a supervised environment to students with documented physical and/or learning disabilities who are eligible to receive accommodations, such as extended time for their classroom test. We also have partnerships with all the prisons within Delaware such as but not limited to, Baylor Women’s Correctional Institution and Sussex Community Corrections.

The National College Testing Association (NCTA) is a nonprofit organization of testing professionals working with companies that offer test related products and services. The NCTA was established in 2000 through the combining of many regional associations. The NCTA prides themselves on the advancement of professionalism and the quality of their products and services. They concentrate on issues pertaining to test administration, test development, test scoring, and assessment. The NCTA has over 2000 members and more than 650 post-secondary institutions. Along with over 50 corporations and certification agencies in the United States and Canada, the organization sustains an extensive amount of standards for testing centers administering paper, pencil, and computerized exams. The NCTA current president is Francesca B. Taylor from the University of West Georgia. The organizations mission is to enhance professional testing practices, offer opportunities for professional development, encourage professional support activities, and advance collaborative efforts among testing professionals, testing companies, and other policy making agencies.
The University College, Testing Services & Programs, offers a variety of exams for the Delmarva Peninsula Community. The Delmarva Testing Association was established in 2011 which operates in Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia. Bruce O. Taylor is the president and as vice president stands Dr. LaSean R. Shelton. At the Delmarva Testing Association, our mission is to provide resources and professional development support for Testing and Assessment Professionals in Delmarva (Higher Education and K-12). The vision of the Delmarva Testing Association is to improve and enrich the lives by providing professional development training for Testing Administrators, K-12 Educators, Assessment Professionals and Community Leaders that work with workforce development and education programs. We want to promote individual success in the workplace and in higher education; to increase entrepreneurship as well as cultural, social, and economic development for our membership.
College Readiness Program: Delaware High Schools’ 11th and 12th grade students will be offered the same college level placement test (pretest) that is designed to determine placement of incoming freshmen into the college level courses. If a student would like to improve his/her score, he/she may take an introductory workshop and enroll into the Accuplacer Diagnostics. This system will determine areas in need of improvement and assign lesson modules to increase the students skills. The focus is on improving student placement in Writing, Reading and Mathematics. The program is self-paced, engaging, computer based, and offers a Study App which students can access anytime, anywhere. Students will also be placed under the supervision of a College Readiness Specialist (CRS). The workshop will consist of: Pretest, Diagnosis modules, and Retest in Spring. At the end of the time period, students will be given a post test to determine their progression.

Workshops Anyone?

University College, Testing Services & Programs is here throughout the semester to provide testing strategy workshops that cover exclusive problem-solving techniques and test-taking tips facilitated by our certified test administrator and testing specialist. The workshops focus on strategies and critical thinking skills needed for the exams. Students will be introduced to a systematic approach to answering application and analysis-level questions. Students will learn how to break each question down and identify common traps. Students will also learn tips to help them finish strong based on resources from Education Testing Service (ETS) and College Board. For more information, please call ext. 6144

Study Skills Inventory Workshop: The College Level Study Skills Inventory will assist in providing students immediate feedback on their current approach to college level study skills. There are six critical study skills college students need to consistently be developing: text book reading, note taking, memory, test preparation, concentration, and time management. At the conclusion of the inventory, each of these skills will be assessed based on the manner in which the questions were answered. Please contact TSP for workshop dates or individual sessions at ext. 6144

Praxis Workshop: Whether you are taking the Praxis I Core, the Praxis II Elementary Education, Praxis II Middle School Math, Praxis II Mathematics, or Praxis II Science our testing professional will teach you the key content and testing strategies you need to pass. Our Praxis workshops will examine relevant practice test questions and subject matter review, so you'll learn how to apply your knowledge to the specific question types you're most likely to encounter on the exam. All participants must call ext.6144 to reserve a seat in the Thomasson Building room 202 C. Spring Workshops dates: 3/7, 3/28, 4/4/ 4/11 from 5pm-7pm.
**What is MyCAA?**

The Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts program provides financial assistance for military spouses. MyCAA provides spouses up to $4,000 over 2 years to pursue degree programs, licenses or credentials that lead to employment in portable career fields.

**Who is Eligible?**

- Spouses of active duty service members in pay grades E1-E5, W1-W2, and O1-O2
- Spouses of activated Guard and Reserve members at E1-E5, W1-W2 and O1-O2 pay grades (spouses of Guard and Reserve members must be able to start and complete their sponsor is on Title 10 orders)

**Your enrollment includes everything you need!**

- Programs are **100% online and available 24/7**.
- Programs include audio, text, graphics, simulation, quizzes and final assessments/exam prep.
- Expert Instructor support to help you along the way.
- Pre and post assessments and online performance tracking, grading Externship placement upon completion (as applicable)
- All materials included
- Online technical Support Application Process

**Application Process?**

Eligible spouses can establish a MyCAA account by visiting the MyCAA website at: https://aiportal.acc.af.mil/mycaa. Once spouse profile information is provided, MyCAA will verify spouse DEERS benefit eligibility. Eligible spouses will be allowed to create their Career and Training Plan and request financial assistance at least 30 days prior to the course start dates. Additionally, spouses are responsible for applying to their selected school or program and enrolling in each course included in their approved MyCAA Career and Training Plan. There are different programs you can choose from that falls under Business, Law & Criminal Justice, Healthcare and Academics.
Meet the Staff of Testing Service & Programs

- **Amystique Y. Harris Church** - Associate Director of Operations. Oversees the daily operations of the office, serves as a test administrator for all test vendors, liaison for NCTA, oversees community partnerships, and handles all state and national standardized testing and credential exams.

- **Bruce Taylor** - Testing Specialist. Currently oversees DSU testing strategies workshops and handles mobile testing.

- **Mariah Wilson, B.S, M.A.T.** - Testing Associate. The future doctor knows the ins and outs of the testing center and is always there to answer any question. Unfortunately she is leaving us soon to go to medical school and pursue her dream of becoming a Doctor.

- **Brittany Douglas, B.A.** - Testing Assistant & TA. Recent graduate, Ms. Douglas, became a testing assistant right after picking up on the ways of the Testing Center. She too will be leaving to continue her education in grad school in the Fall.

- **Andres Santana, A.S.** - Testing Assistant. Recently started working for the Testing Service & Program, he’s learning very quickly.

- **Sheldon Taylor, M.S.** - Testing Assistant. The newest staff member and he will be working alongside Bruce with test proctoring as well as mobile testing.

- **Jasmine Walker** - Student Testing Assistant. Ms. Walker is our student worker that never ceases to amaze us with her work ethic and efficiency. She will be graduating May 2017

Testing hours:
- Monday & Friday - 8a.m-3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday & Thursday - 8a.m-5 p.m.
- Wednesday-8a.m.-6:30p.m.

Testing Going Social !!