

Test Online with Virtual Proctoring Company

Examity is a secure online proctoring service that allows testers to take the TSIA with a live proctor virtually. Testing is available 24/7, 365 days a year. Testers **must** ensure their computer and test room meet the following requirements before registering for this option. If a tester cannot meet these requirements, then choose another TSIA testing option at www.pvamu.edu/tsi.

Computer Requirements

1. **THE COMPUTER MUST BE EITHER A DESKTOP, CHROMEBOOK, OR LAPTOP COMPUTER.**
 - Prairie View A&M University-owned computers cannot be used to take the TSI exams virtually.
2. **THE COMPUTER MUST HAVE A BUILT-IN OR EXTERNAL WEBCAM, MICROPHONE, OR SPEAKERS.** Testers are responsible for making sure these are on and functioning properly throughout their test session.
 - The camera must be able to be moved to show the proctor a 360-degree view of your test room, including your tabletop surface, before you can start the exam.
 - Headsets or wireless earphones are not allowed.
3. **DOWNLOAD** Google Chrome and **DISABLE** its pop-up blocker
 - How to turn off the pop-blocker in Google Chrome
 - i. Open your Chrome Browser
 - ii. Click on the three dots in the top right corner
 - iii. Scroll down the list and click “**Settings**”
 - iv. Click “**Privacy and Security**” on the list in the left corner
 - v. Then click “**Site Settings**”
 - vi. Click “**Pop-ups and redirects**” under the “**Content**” section
 - vii. Switch to “**Sites can send pop-ups and use redirects**”
4. **COMPLETE** the [Examity System Check](#) on your computer to ensure it meets the standards for the online test administration.
5. **COMPLETE** the [ACCUPLACER System Check](#) on your computer to ensure it meets the standards for the ACCUPLACER platform.
6. **REMOVE** or **UNPLUG** any dual monitors from your computer.
7. **REMOVE** or **DISABLE** Grammarly and any other spell check or language translator program from your computer. **Failure to remove or disable** Grammarly will result in your test being invalid

Test Room Requirements

1. **Privacy**
 - You must be alone in a private room away from distractions, with no one else entering or sitting in the room for the test duration.
 - No one must talk to you, walk, or enter the room during the test.
 - Testing must not occur in a public space or area of your home, such as a park, internet café, restaurant, or car.
 - The room should not have any maps, periodic tables, posters, charts, or other materials related to the test's subject matter.

- No talking during the exam – you may only talk to the test proctor during the test and no one else.
2. **Tabletop/Seating**
 - Your computer and keyboard must be on a desk or other tabletop surface for the exam duration.
 - The tabletop and surrounding area must be clear of all items not approved for use during the test.
 - You must sit in a standard chair; you can't sit or lie on a bed, couch, overstuffed chair, or the floor.
 - The surface must be clear of all items; except the permitted items (list below).
 3. **Scratch Paper**
 - You may have no more than five sheets of scratch paper for testing.
 - The test proctor will check the scratch paper before they start your test.
 - Test takers using scratch paper must do so by facing and fully viewing the camera. Turning around or to the side and leaving the camera's view is prohibited.
 - You'll be asked to rip up all scratch paper used during the test in view of the proctor at the end of the test session; failure to do so will result in your test being invalid.
 4. **Permitted Items**
 - You can only have **five sheets of scratch paper, one writing instrument (pencil, black or blue pen), and your acceptable photo identification (physical copy)**
 5. **Not-Permitted Items**
 - The following items are prohibited and not allowed in the test room, in addition to all other prohibited items listed within the [Testing Services – Academic Integrity Policy](#).
 - i. Electronic devices (including but not limited to cell phones, air pods, digital watches, pagers/beepers, tablets, smartphones, etc.)
 - ii. handheld calculators
 - iii. books/dictionaries/thesaurus (or any reference material of any kind)
 - iv. weapons/firearms
 - v. analog/digital watches (or watches of any kind)
 - vi. food and beverages
 - vii. Hats and hoods (unless worn as a religious requirement)
 - viii. highlighter and colored pens
 6. **Student Etiquette/Conduct**
 - a. Testers are required to treat virtual test proctors with respect and curiosity, any disrespectful actions towards virtual test proctors will be reported to PVAMU Student Conduct.