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# 5.1.8 GT TCSG Certification Testing Lab

#### **Certification Lab**

Gwinnett Technical College's Assessment Center Certification Lab follows the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) 5.1.8p: Articulation and Transfer procedure (<a href="https://tcsg.edu/tcsgpolicy/files/5.1.8p.pdf">https://tcsg.edu/tcsgpolicy/files/5.1.8p.pdf</a>), which can be found in the Academic Affairs section of the State Board Policies and TCSG Procedures Manual.

## **Certification Testing**

Certification Testing is an industry standard of performance in the majority of the technological industries and in all high tech fields. Hundreds of skills certifications range from computer operation and administration to mechanical/industrial, health government services. The Assessment Center at Gwinnett Tech searches for the most efficient and effective means of providing testing services to the College and surrounding community. Current partnerships with test providers include the following: Scantron, ETS – GACE, Smarter Proctoring, Pearson Vue; Work Keys; Certiport; PSI, and PAN.

### **CLEP**

The Assessment Center is an official computer-based testing center authorized by the College Board. CLEP (College-Level Examination Program) is a national program of "credit by examination" that allows students to obtain recognition for college-level achievement. Traditional course work, personal reading, professional training, adult school, or distance learning courses may have prepared students to earn college credit. CLEP is the most widely accepted "credit by examination" program in the United States.

## **Exemption Exams**

Exemption exams are administered in the Assessment Center. A currently enrolled or accepted program student may receive credit by passing an examination, if one is offered. Exemption exams are created and approved by the Division of Academic Affairs. A current list of exemption exams is available in the Assessment Center as well as at https://www.gwinnetttech.edu/programs/assessment-testing-center/exempt-out-of-coursework/.

# **Non-Collegiate Course Credit**

Students can receive credit for non-collegiate sponsored instruction (e.g. standard industry

certification / licensing) by completing a request form and providing the official transcripts, test scores, certifications, and / or license as appropriate to the Assessment Center for evaluation. Credit awards will be granted in compliance with the American Council on Education guidelines. in accordance with institutional policies as provided in the GTC catalog. Industry certifications must be current for college credit to be given. A comprehensive list of Industry Certification Exemptions can be found at

http://catalog.gwinnetttech.edu/content.php?catoid=12&navoid=1395&hl=industry+certifications&returnto=search#industry-certification-exemption.