

Florida Teacher Certification Exam (FTCE) General Knowledge Test Preparation Guide

All future teachers are required to take the General Knowledge Exam (GKE), Professional Education test (Ped) and a Subject Area Exam (SAE) as part of the Florida Department of Education requirements for approved teacher certification programs. Visit the Florida Department of Education site for additional FTCE information. www.fldoe.org Type "FTCE" in the search box.

General Knowledge test (GK)

- Is required for admission to state college or university education bachelor's degree programs
- Should be taken *after* ENC1102 English Composition Skills II and MGF1106 Math for Liberal Arts (sophomore year, fall semester, prior to earning associate degree)
- Website for registration: www.fl.nesinc.com
- Cost: currently \$130 first attempt, \$150 for retake –even if it is one section– Check the site for details.
- Testing Location: Select a Pearson testing center site during registration
- If you require testing accommodations due to a disability, contact Pearson Evaluation Systems directly. 1-888-613-3281 (toll free) or 413-256-2893 (long distance) visit: www.pearsonassessments.com
- When registering, indicate which colleges/universities or school districts should receive your scores.

How to Prepare

- **Access** the Test Information Guide located at www.fl.nesinc.com/FL_TIGS.asp
 - Review the study guide early and use it as a resource while taking composition and math courses
- **Attend** a test preparation workshop offered by the CF Teacher Education Department. Visit www.cf.edu/education for workshop details and to register to attend.
 - *Workshops are FREE for CF students. There is a small fee for other attendees.
 - Contact Bebe Rahaman, Staff Assistant for Teacher Education for details. 352-854-2322 ext. 1405 or rahamanb@cf.edu
- **Utilize** our CF Learning Support Center! www.cf.edu/tutoring
 - Currently enrolled CF students may utilize the PLATO program for interactive tutoring and questions related to the GK.
- **Contact** Ms. Linda Sagendorph for access to PLATO at sagendoL@cf.edu
 - Include your name, student ID, and section(s) of the GK that you would like additional preparation for in your request. You may also visit the Learning Support Center in the Learning Resources Center, building 3 for information.
 - Access the tutorials on or off campus by logging in online.

Additional Resources: These are NOT free resources.

-FTCE test prep books from a variety of brands/retailers i.e. Barnes and Noble, Amazon
-The Learning Liaisons online FTCE workshops <http://ftceworkshops.com/general-knowledge-gk>
-XAM Publishing, Inc. FTCE test preparation books <http://www.xamonline.com>