# Information Technology Careers Program

# *Preparing for the AccuPlacer Test*

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To be considered for the Just-A-Start IT Careers Program you must first take the Accuplacer exam including the Next Generation Reading and the WritePlacer. If your score meets the criteria you will be invited to submit an application to the program and interview with program staff. This exam is an important tool and practice is essential.

Below are some links to practice sites and information about the Accuplacer exam. These resources have been modified from the Bunker Hill Community College website. You can prepare for the test by reviewing reading comprehension and practice questions and review sites:

<http://www.bhcc.mass.edu/cptpractice/> and <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/educator/next-generation>

## Sample CPT Questions

### Reading Comprehension

This test measures a student's ability to understand what is read.

* Test takers need to determine the meaning of words and phrases in short and longer contexts.
  + For short text passages, test takers read the sentence and then choose the best answer to the question or the best completion of the statement.
  + For longer text passages, test takers read the statement or passage and then choose the best answer to the question. Answers should be based on what is stated or implied in the passage.
* This test assess broad knowledge and skill categories in these areas:
  + Information & Ideas : reading closely, determining central ideas/themes, summarizing, understanding relationships
  + Rhetoric: analyzing word choice, analyzing text structure, analyzing point of view, analyzing purpose, analyzing arguments
  + Synthesis: analyzing multiple texts
  + Vocabulary

To see a sample question see: <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/next-generation-sample-questions-reading.pdf>

### Writing Assessment

This test measures a student's ability to edit a range of texts for best expression of ideas and use of Standard English.

* In the Writing assessment, students select the best version of the underlined part of the sentence. The first choice is the same as the original sentence. If the reader thinks the original sentence is best, the first one should be chosen.
* This test assess broad knowledge and skill categories in these areas:
  + Expression of ideas: development, organization, effective language use
  + Standard English conventions: sentence structure, usage, and punctuation.

To see a sample question see: https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/next-generation-sample-questions-writing.pdf

### Additional Practice Tests:

The Accuplacer Student Website explains the test and has sample questions.  Visit the [Accuplacer Student Website](http://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students/prepare-for-accuplacer).

**Reading:**

* <https://www.accuplacerpracticetest.com/accuplacer-reading-comprehension-practice-test/>

**Writing:**

* <https://www.accuplacerpracticetest.com/writeplacer-essay-guide/>

### Tutorial Websites:

**Writing Skills:**

[www.englishpage.com](http://www.englishpage.com/)  
[www.dailygrammar.com](http://www.dailygrammar.com/)  
(Click on Lesson Archive)  
  
**Reading:**  
<http://www.literacyworks.org/>  
<http://education.jlab.org/reading/>

# Biomedical Careers Program

# *Preparing for the TABE Test*

To be considered for the Just A Start Biomedical Careers Program you must first take the TABE exam. If your score meets the criteria you will be invited to submit an application to the program and interview with Just-A-Start program staff. This exam is an important tool and practice is essential.

Below is information about the TABE test and website links for practice TABE test. These resources have been modified from the official TABE Test site and Union Test Prep website. You can prepare for the Reading and Math TABE tests by reviewing **Reading**, **Applied mathematics** and **Computation mathematics** practice questions sites.

**Reading**

The Reading test measures the basic adult reading skills and the ability to construct meaning from a variety of texts. Reading questions will simply require you to understand material you read and find specific information in it. Reading Domains:

• Reading Foundational Skills

• Key Ideas and Details

• Craft and Structure

• Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

These practice tests and study guides can be found at the following links:

**Reading Practice Test:**

<https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test>,

[**https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tabe-reading-practice-test/**](https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tabe-reading-practice-test/)

[**https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test/reading-evaluation/pages/1**](https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test/reading-evaluation/pages/1)

[**https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test/reading-recall/pages/1**](https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test/reading-recall/pages/1)

**Reading Study Guides:**

<https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/study-guide/reading/pages/1>

<https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tabe-reading/>

**Math**

The mathematics test assesses mathematical application as well as more routine tasks, such as estimating quantities, and making computations that involve time, distance, and weight. Item sets are integrated by mathematical contexts appropriate for adults.

Mathematics Domains:

• Measurement and Data

• Number and Operations —Fractions

• Number and Operations in Base Ten

• Operations and Algebraic Thinking

• Geometry

• Expressions and Equations

• Ratios and Proportional Relationships

• Statistics and Probability

• The Number System

• Functions

• Algebra

• Number in Quantity

**Math (Applied and Computation) Practice Tests:**

[**https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tabe-math-practice-test/**](https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tabe-math-practice-test/)

[**https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test/mathematics-computation/pages/1**](https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test/mathematics-computation/pages/1)

[**https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test/mathematics-applied/pages/1**](https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/practice-test/mathematics-applied/pages/1)

**Math Study Guides (Applied and Computation)**

<https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/study-guide/mathematics-applied/pages/1>

<https://uniontestprep.com/tabe/study-guide/mathematics-computation/pages/1>

<https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tabe-mathematics/>