



The Examiner... A First for FIUTC

Welcome to the *Examiner*, the first issue of Florida International University Testing Center's (FIUTC) newsletter. We are excited about being able to share industry news, tips, and other goings on at our nationally certified testing centers. Since the commissioning of the University Testing Center in 1984, its vision has been to support our student population and surrounding communities by providing efficient, professional, and cost-saving testing services. Our mission is well aligned with the institution's. We are dedicated to supporting students' cost-to-degree, time-to-degree, and time-to-employment.

State-of-the-art Testing Center Opens Its Doors at BBC

The Biscayne Bay Campus of Florida International University as a public institution continues to meet its charge by providing relevant services and access to its neighboring communities. Members of the surrounding communities have long enjoyed our state-of-the-art Library services; exquisite, student-led dining

from the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management; a world's ahead Wellness and Recreation center; and pristine views of the Intracoastal Water-ways to name a few. On Monday, April 17, 2017, BBC as it is fondly known by its neighbors, dedicated one more service that improves the life of the FIU community. Thanks to the efforts of various advocates and collaborators, including a timely technology-fee grant, the University Testing Center has undergone a technological makeover, and convenient relocation. It has opened its doors on the ground floor of the Academic One Building of BBC. [More](#)



FIUTC... A Nationally Certified Testing Center



As of March 13, 2017, our testing locations (MMC & BBC) have joined the ranks of a select few (less than 200 centers) across the United States and Canada, to become nationally certified through the National College Testing Association (NCTA). NCTA is dedicated to the promotion of professionalism, efficiency, and quality in the administration of testing services and programs. Their certification process demands a rigorous self-assessment and detailed review of all policies, practices, and procedures set in place for a given test center. This reflective process leads to improvements which enhance the productivity, efficiency, and functionality within the unit. It is an honor to be counted among such an elite group of nationally recognized testing centers.

Meet Our Team

At FIUTC we are fortunate to have some of the best qualified testing professionals who can be

found anywhere in the testing industry. From our director, Dwight Nimblett, to the most recent hired personnel, each team member plays a significant role in ensuring our testing centers operate in a manner that is effective, professional and that reflects the service excellence for which FIU is well recognized.

Featured in photo (from left to right): Kareena, Aneesa, Sophonie, Dwight, Felipe, John, and Sinclair



New Partnerships at FIUTC

Maintaining a testing environment that is nimble and responsive to the evolving testing needs of both our students and the neighboring south Florida community is a cornerstone of the University Testing Center. As such, FIUTC fosters relationships with a number of leading vendors in the testing and credentialing industry. Our most recent partners include Pearson Vue for the delivery of GMAT exams as well as Prometric/DANTES for the delivery of DSST exams. The nationally recognized DSST program allows students to earn college credit for learning acquired outside the traditional classroom. Similar in scope to the more familiar CLEP program, DSST offers a menu of more than [30 exams](#) in college subject areas such as Business, Social Sciences, Math, Applied Technology, Humanities, and Physical Sciences. FIUTC is proud to have onboarded its most recent partners and look forward to the many benefits afforded our FIU community.

For [eligible military members](#), news of this partnership only gets better. FIUTC has negotiated to become a DANTES Fully Funded site which simply means that FIUTC is able to waive the sitting fee for eligible military members and eligible spouses (first attempts only).

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FIUTC has embarked on a bold, new partnership with Certiport, one of the premiere global leaders in industry credentialing and certifications. Many of our students, in pursuit of their degrees, acquire

valuable skill sets and know-how with various technologies and productivity tools. Members of the community as well acquire demonstrable skills during the course of their employment. It is no secret that job seekers, in addition to their well-earned diplomas or years of work experience, gain significant competitive advantage when they are able to present certifications, digital badges, and industry credentials, to prospective employers. While Certiport offers the likes of Adobe Certified Associate; Autodesk Certified Professional, Autodesk; Microsoft Technology Associate among others, FIUTC is currently piloting the Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) suite of exams. Within the MOS suite, individuals can attempt various levels of the classics such as Microsoft Excel, Word, Access, PowerPoint, and Outlook. Certiport is the premiere certification organization endorsed by Microsoft. For more information or to find out how to take advantage of this FIUTC offering, please go to <https://testing.fiu.edu> or visit our testing centers at MMC – GL 120 or BBC – AC1-160.

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Effective July 1, 2017, the CLEP fee was increased to \$85 per exam. If you purchased your exam registration ticket before July 1, 2017, your fee at time of purchase, will still apply to all registration dates until your expiration date. If you have any questions, email College Board at clep@collegeboard.org.

Effective July 1, 2017, the fee for the ATI TEAS increased to \$85. Please visit our website at <http://testing.fiu.edu> to register for your ATI TEAS exam and for any questions, email FIUTC at bbctesting@fiu.edu or testing@fiu.edu.

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