

General Information for Computer Science 227 and 228 Test-Out Examinations

Test-out examinations are usually scheduled on the Friday before the semester begins. All students must complete an application for a test-out in the Computer Science Department main office, 226 Atanasoff Hall.

Test-out Policy (Credit By Examination or CBE)

1. [CBE] Examinations are usually given just prior to, or within two weeks of, the beginning of fall and spring semesters. <http://www.admissions.iastate.edu/cbe/>
2. No Com S test-out will be given outside this period, except at the instructor's discretion and with notification to the Undergrad Committee.
3. Students may ordinarily attempt a CBE test only once in any course or area. Under special circumstances, a re-test may be taken upon approval of the department in which the course is offered.
4. "Approval of the department" (above) shall mean "Approval of the Undergrad Committee" for all undergraduate students and Com S courses.
5. Students may be denied permission [to take a test-out] because
 - (a) the nature of the course is such that proficiency cannot be measured by such a test,
 - (b) the student does not appear to have adequate background to pass the examination for the course or
 - (c) the student would not otherwise be allowed to enroll in the course.
6. Students may not test out (CBE) of a Com S course when grade or W appears on ISU transcript.

Test-out Procedures

Student must register for the test-out in 226 Atanasoff Hall prior to the exam. Once you register for the test, you will be billed \$100 on your University Bill no matter what occurs -- failure to take the test, failing the test or passing the test.

1. Arrive several minutes before the scheduled exam time. These are timed tests -- no one will be admitted after the exam begins.
2. Bring photo identification to present for admittance to the testing room.
3. Please bring a sharpened #2 pencil with you. No dictionaries or calculators allowed.
4. Each test may be taken only once.
5. There are no sample or practice exams available. Any college text may be used to prepare for the tests.

Credit earned by examination is not used in computing grade point averages. However, credit earned does become part of your official record and may be applied toward graduation requirements at Iowa State University. Iowa State University does not set a maximum number of credits that you may earn by examination. However, at least one year of residence is required for graduation.