



## College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and DANTES (DSST) Testing Opportunities

### General Information

As a current or prospective student at Defiance College, you may want to take advantage of these two programs to help you manage your college career. These are national standardized exams that will help you complete your general education requirements. To see what tests Defiance College accepts go to [http://www.defiance.edu/pages/SL\\_ARC\\_testing.html](http://www.defiance.edu/pages/SL_ARC_testing.html).

For the **Associate of Arts** degree, you might consider the English Composition with Essay (AH 110), a biological or physical science exam, Fundamentals of Oral Communication (CA 111), Sociology (SO 120) and a Fine Arts exam.

For those of you seeking the **Bachelor of Arts** degree, you would consider the above exams, plus Analyzing and Interpreting Literature (EN 220), both Physical and Biological science requirements, and Psychology (PY 110) or Micro (EC 201) or Macroeconomics (EC 205).

**NOTE: It is not recommended that you take tests for the courses required by the DESIGN for LEADERSHIP major.**

CLEP tests are completed on the computer, while DANTES exams are paper and pencil. Both exams are multiple choice responses except for the English Composition with Essay which requires an essay to be typed into the computer. Defiance College recognizes the ACE scores.

For CLEP tests, an adjusted score of 50 is required to receive credit. DANTES scores vary according to test. In most cases you need only answer 50% or higher correctly to meet the required score. You are not penalized for guessing. CLEP tests allow 90 minutes for completion. DANTES tests are untimed.

CLEP scores are available immediately except for the English Composition with Essay (up to 6 weeks). DANTES scores are received in 3-4 weeks. If you do not meet the passing score, you must wait 6 months to repeat the test.

**NOTE: When beginning the actual exam, you must indicate that the scores be sent to Defiance College.** You will also receive a score report.

Contact Robin Kratzer, Director of Academic Resource Center, at [rkratzer@defiance.edu](mailto:rkratzer@defiance.edu) for **study guides and information** about the exams.

Contact Mariah Orzolek, Registrar, at [morzolek@defiance.edu](mailto:morzolek@defiance.edu) to determine the **proper tests to take**. This is especially important if you have transferred coursework to Defiance College from other institutions.

To find an **open testing site for CLEP**, go to [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).

To find an **open testing site for DANTES (DSST)**, go to [www.getcollegecredit.com](http://www.getcollegecredit.com).

## **Financial Information**

The cost of the exams as of July 1, 2010 is \$77 for CLEP and \$80 for DANTES. There is also a \$25 administration fee. These fees are subject to change in the future so you may want to ask when you register for an exam. You must pay for the test before you begin the exam or the exam will not be scored.

After the Registrar receives an official score report, she will send you a letter. A fee of \$60 per credit hour is assessed in order to have the credit added to your transcript.

## **Military Personnel**

You should contact your Education Coordinator for questions concerning fees and reimbursement.



For questions about **CLEP and DANTES Testing Opportunities**, contact Robin Kratzer at [rkratzer@defiance.edu](mailto:rkratzer@defiance.edu) or at the Career Development Office (419) 783-2332.

For questions about **CLEP or DANTES Test Selection Assistance**, contact Mariah Orzolek at [morzolek@defiance.edu](mailto:morzolek@defiance.edu) or at the Registration Office (419) 783-2358.

For questions about **DANTES Tuition Reimbursement** for military personnel, contact your education officer.

For questions about the **DESIGN for LEADERSHIP Program** at Defiance College, contact us at [design@defiance.edu](mailto:design@defiance.edu) or at Design for Leadership (419) 783-2465.