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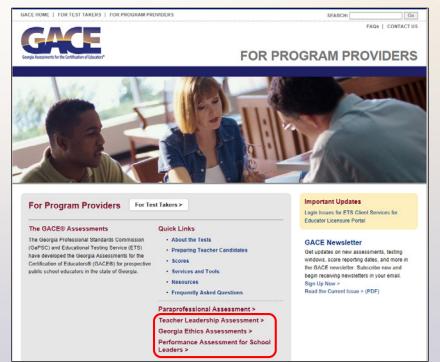
Topics for Today's Webinar

- Program Provider Sections of the GACE Website
- Services and Tools
- Resources for EPPs
- Preparing Your Teacher Candidates
- Questions



Program Provider Sections of the GACE Website

- The Program Provider section of the GACE website contains materials specifically for program providers
 - Information about the tests and preparing teacher candidates
 - Scores
 - Services and Tools
 - Resources
 - FAQs



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- These sections contain materials specifically for program providers:
 - Information about the tests, preparing your teacher candidates, and scores
 - Information about the GACE Ethics and Teacher Leadership assessments
 - Information about the Performance Assessment for School leaders
- The Program Provider "GACE Services and Tools" area contains information about ETS® Data Manager (EDM) for GACE and how you can gain access to that tool



- The Program Provider "Resources" section provides information that will help you keep up to date about the GACE assessments; it includes:
 - GACE Interactive Practice Test Order Form
 - This form is to be used by program providers only for bulk orders of GACE interactive practice tests when an electronic form of payment is not available and your payment is being made by check or purchase order
 - Orders using a credit card must be place through the ETS Store
 - GACE Newsletter (both current and past issues)
 - Focuses on upcoming events, reminders about important deadlines, suggestions on how to improve the test-taker experience, and other important announcements regarding the GACE program
 - GACE Registration Quick-reference Guide
 - Provides step-by-step instructions with accompanying images of the GACE online registration system. Candidates can use this as a guide when registering to take a GACE test



- Registration Bulletin
 - A free publication for test takers that contains program policies, tests offered, test dates, registration information, fees, score reporting information, and more
- Registration Flyers
 - This flyer answers the questions test takers most often ask about registering to test
 - Available for you to download and distribute to your educators
- Understanding Your GACE Scores
 - Includes information about how GACE assessments are scored, explanations of score scales used by raters, and answers to frequently asked questions about GACE score reports and scoring policies



- GACE Ethics
 - Contains information about:
 - Georgia Educator Ethics and Georgia Ethics for Educational Leadership assessments
 - Eligibility and registration
 - Resources and tips for taking the assessments

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- Teacher Leadership
 - Contains information about:
 - The portfolio-based Teacher Leadership assessment, including tasks and requirements
 - Eligibility and registration
 - Resources and tips for taking the assessment

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- Performance Assessment for School Leaders (PASL)
 - Contains information about:
 - The portfolio-based PASL, including tasks and requirements
 - Registration and submission
 - Adopting the assessment
 - Supporting test takers
- PASL will be in effect July 2018

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Program Provider Services and Tools

- ETS Data Manager for GACE Assessments
 - The ETS Data Manager for GACE assessments is a dynamic interactive statistical tool that uses GACE data to analyze testtaker performance.
 - The ETS Data Manager offers many analytical functions, including sophisticated searching, data comparison, and chart and table creation. Candidates' scores may also be accessed through the ETS Data Manager.
- Gaining Access to ETS Data Manager
 - Due to the nature of the data contained in the ETS Data Manager, access is restricted to authorized program providers who have been individually designated by the GaPSC and supplied with secure log-in credentials to enter the system



Services and Tools (cont'd.)

- Course Mapping Chart for GACE Test Subareas and Objectives
 - The Course Matching chart may be used to compare your program's course offerings to the content described by the objectives in the subareas for a particular test

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Services and Tools (cont'd.)

Course Mapping Chart (cont'd.)

- The completed chart can be used to direct candidates preparing to take a GACE test
 - If candidates have taken those courses already, the form directs them to the previously used course notes and texts
 - The chart may also help candidates select additional courses to learn more about areas in which they feel further preparation is needed

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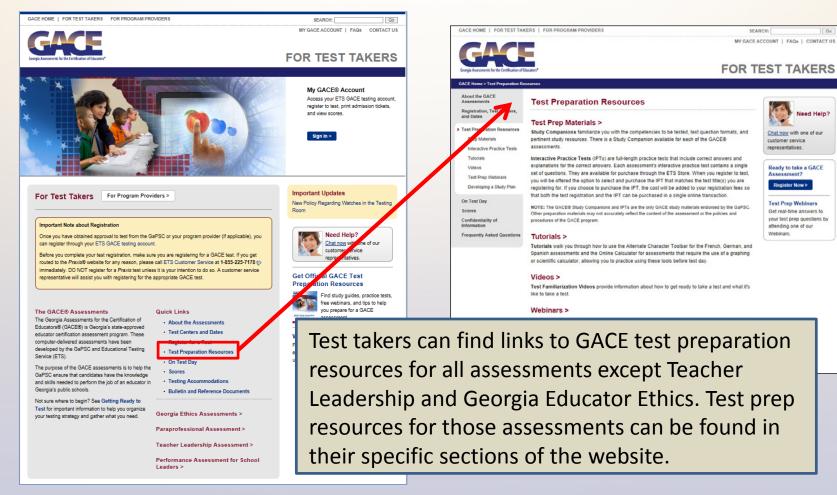


Preparing Your Teacher Candidates

 ETS offers a variety of test preparation materials and resources for educator certification candidates and educator preparation faculty



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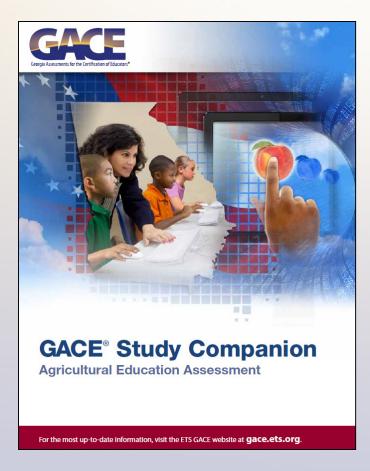
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Study Companions



- Familiarizes test takers with:
 - the assessment they are taking
 - test question formats
 - pertinent study resources
- Study Companions are:
 - free
 - downloadable
 - available for each GACE assessment except Teacher Leadership and Georgia Ethics



Study Companions (cont'd.)

- Each study companion contains
 - An overview of the assessment
 - Specific information about the assessment
 - One set of practice questions
 - Explanations of correct answers to practice questions
 - Additional study resources



The Study Companion: About the Assessment

About the Assessment

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The GACE Instructional Technology assessment is designed to measure the professional knowledge of prospective Instructional Technology Coordinators in the state of Georgia.

The testing time is the amount of time you will have to answer the questions on the test. Test duration includes time for tutorials and directional screens that may be included in the test.

The questions in this assessment assess both basic knowledge across content areas and the ability to apply principles.

The total number of questions that are scored is typically smaller than the total number of questions on the test. Most tests that contain selected-response questions also include embedded pretest questions, which are not used in calculating your score. By including pretest questions in the assessment, ETS is able to analyze actual test-taker performance on proposed new questions and determine whether they should be included in future versions of the test. Each GACE Study Companion gives an overview of the assessment and includes important information for test takers such as test codes, testing time and test duration, the number of questions, and the test format.

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GACE Instructional Technology Assessment Study Companion

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The Study Companion: About the Assessment (cont'd.)

 The Study Companion also includes important information specific to the assessment

Test | Subareas

Subarea	Approx. Percentage of Test
I. Foundations of Agriculture and Agricultural Education	60%
II. Food Science and Biotechnology	20%
III. Power, Structural, and Technical Systems	20%

Test I Objectives

Subarea I: Foundations of Agriculture and Agricultural Education

Objective 1: Understands the agriculture industry and agribusiness systems

The beginning Agricultural Education teacher:

- A. Knows the historical development of agriculture
 - · Describes the spread of agriculture
 - · Describes the value of research in agriculture
- B. Understands the value of agriculture
 - Defines agriculture
 - Identifies the areas or branches of agriculture
 - Is familiar with global impacts of agriculture

Test II Subareas

Subarea	Approx. Percentage of Test
I. Animal Systems	34%
II. Environmental and Natural Resource Systems	33%
III. Plant Systems	33%

Test II Objectives

Subarea I: Animal Systems

Objective 1: Understands the principles of animal science as related to the agriculture industry

The beginning Agricultural Education teacher:

- A. Is familiar with the historical development and trends of the animal systems industry
 - · Explains past, current, and emerging trends related to the animal agricultural industry
 - · Describes the domestication of animals
- B. Knows the classification, anatomical characteristics, and physiological characteristics of animals
 - Understands the taxonomical classification system of animals
 - · Identifies the structure and function of the major body systems of animals; e.g.



Sample Questions and Explanations of Answers

Directions: Each of the questions or incomplete statements below is followed by four suggested answers or completions. Select the one that is best in each case.

- Which of the following best describes the long-term trend in employment in occupations related to agriculture in the United States?
 - A. Jobs on farms are decreasing
 - B. Jobs in food processing are decreasing
 - C. Jobs in ornamental horticulture are decreasing
 - D. Jobs in agriculture service occupations are decreasing

Answer and Rationale

- 2. Which of the following was the principal cause for the decline and abandonment of irrigated farmland in the Sumerian Empire and the Nile valley of ancient Egypt?
 - A. There was no regular fertilization with nitrogen sources
 - B. The benefits of crop rotation were unknown
 - C. Soil salts accumulated under poor drainage conditions
 - D. Irrigated lands had to be near the water source and suffered frequent, disastrous flooding

Answer and Rationale

 A farmer buys a new tractor for \$40,000 and expects to use it for 20 years, after which the tractor will have a salvage value of \$10,000. What is the straight-line depreciation that can be taken for the first year of ownership?

А.	\$1,500
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C.	\$2,000
D.	\$2,250

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Constructed-Response Questions and Scoring Guide

Constructed-response Question 1: Argumentative Essav

This section presents an Argumentative essay topic and sample essay respReaders will assign scores based on the following scoring guide. standards used in scoring the Argumentative essays. When you read these

keep in mind that they will be less polished than if they had been developed Sc and carefully presented. The examinee does not know what guestion will be decide, on the spot, how to respond. Readers take these circumstances int scoring the essays; they have been trained to judge the overall quality, rath count errors.

Each essay will be scored holistically, on the basis of its total quality. In con GACE Writing score, the scores for both the Argumentative and Source-base combined with the score for the selected-response part of the Writing test.

General Directions

You will have 30 minutes to plan and write an argumentative essay on the to following section. The essay will be based on your own reading, experience,

Read the topic carefully. You will probably find it best to spend a little time and organizing your thoughts before you begin writing. DO NOT WRITE (OTHER THAN THE ONE SPECIFIED. Essays on topics of your own choice acceptable. In order for your test to be scored, your responses must be in En

The essay questions are included in this test to give you an opportunity to de you can write. You should, therefore, take care to write clearly and effective examples where appropriate. Remember that how well you write is much m how much you write, but to cover the topic adequately, you will probably ne than a paragraph.

Scoring Guide for Argumentative Essay

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	 organizes and develops ideas logically, making insightful connections between them 	
	 clearly explains key ideas, supporting them with well-chosen reasons, examples, or details 	
	 displays effective sentence variety 	
	 clearly displays facility in the use of language 	
	 is generally free from errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics 	
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- displays adequate use of language
- shows control of grammar, usage, and mechanics, but may display errors

For tests with constructed-response (CR) questions, an explanation of how to answer a CR question is included in the Study Companion, along with a scoring guide.



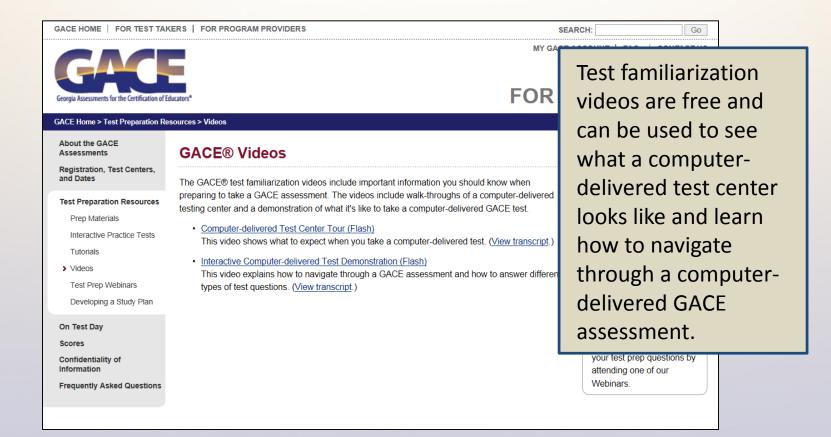
Test Preparation Strategies and Tips

- This section of GACE website includes the following booklets and guides:
 - Study Tips: Preparing for a GACE[®] Assessment
 - Contains general information about the GACE assessments, the types of questions that may be encountered in the test, and study tips for preparing to take the test.
 - Reducing Test Anxiety
 - Provides practical help for people who suffer from test anxiety. This guide reviews the major causes of test anxiety and offers practical advice on how to counter each one.
 - Guide to Taking a GACE[®] Computer-delivered Test (available spring 2016)
 - Explains how to navigate through a GACE assessment and how to answer the different types of questions.

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Test Familiarization Videos



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Computer-Delivered Test Center Tour





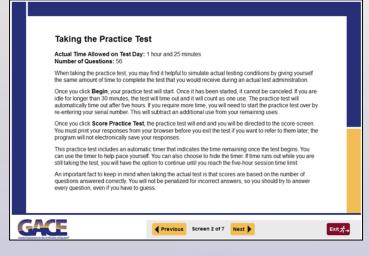
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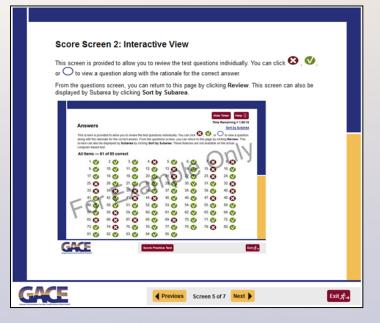
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Interactive Practice Tests (IPTs)

- Each IPT is a full-length practice test that consists of one set of practice questions
- After completion of the practice test, candidates can view correct answers and an explanations of correct answers





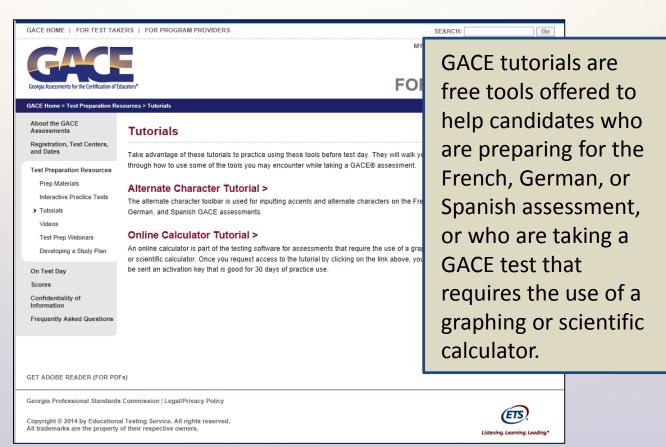


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- GACE Interactive Practice Tests (IPTs) are available for almost all assessments
- IPTs can be purchased for \$15 with registration or through the ETS Store at www.ets.org/store
- Each \$15 subscription consists of a single practice test and is valid for 90 days after the first use
- Note: There is only one version available for each test title, so each time the user takes the practice test, the same questions are delivered in the same order
- Retaking or repurchasing the same practice test more than once does not result in different practice questions or change the order in which the questions are delivered



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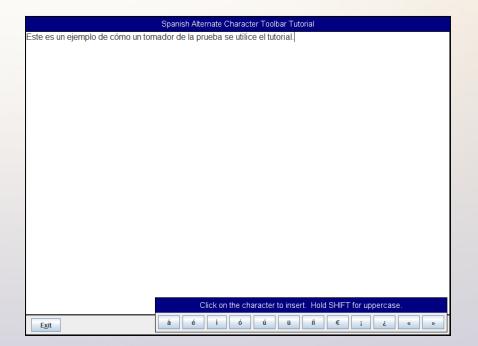


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Alternate Character Toolbar

- For candidates taking the GACE French, German, or Spanish assessment
- Allows user to practice using the toolbar for each language prior to the day of the test



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Online Calculator

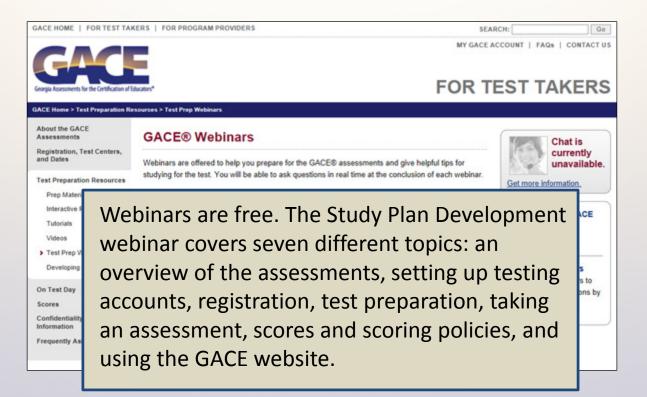
- Some tests have an online calculator built in to the test software:
 - Mathematics
 - Middle Grades Mathematics
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 - Science
- Tutorial allows test takers to practice using these calculators prior to taking an assessment
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Developing an Effective Study Plan

Information available under Strategies and Tips on the ETS GACE website

Blank Study Plan sheet available for download

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Smart Test-Taking Tips to Share with Your Candidates

- Don't become preoccupied about your score when taking the test
- Use your energy on the test — don't get angry with it
- Keep track of time and pace yourself
- Read all possible answers before selecting one
- Be aware of key words such as NOT, BEST, LEAST, EXCEPT
- Scan the answer choices before you start reading the material and/or working on the problem

- Use the process of elimination
- Don't worry if you have to guess; your score is based on the number of questions you answer correctly with no penalty for an incorrect answer
- Do not take too much time on any one question
- If you have time at the end of your test, go back and check your answers to make sure you marked the answer you thought you did



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