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## **Secure Assessment Policy**

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# INTRODUCTION

## A. Policy Statement

Assessments are vital to the academic process. Assessments allow institutions to gather information with respect to nursing acumen and licensure readiness of their students. Moreover, assessments allow institutions to identify gaps in teaching and develop plans to improve the curriculum and quality of education. In order for these outcomes to be realized, assessments must be reliable and valid. This requires appropriate assessment creation, proctoring environments and review settings.

Jersey College has developed a Secure Assessment Policy that includes, among other things, procedures, rules, guidelines and processes for assessment creation, testing and post-Exam reviews. These policies have been established to (i) ensure the reliability and validity of assessments; (ii) maintain the integrity of Jersey College; (iii) maintain and increase the quality of Exams; (iv) implement electronic, web-based testing across the institution; (v) develop a consistent and efficient system for Exam creation, proctoring and review and (vi) allow for congruence in secure Exam policy between campuses. All students, faculty and staff are required to review, understand and abide by the policies and procedures outlined in the Secure Assessment Policy. Failure of a student to abide by such policies will subject the student to disciplinary action (including termination). Copies of the Secure Assessment Policy are available from administration.

This Secure Assessment Policy outlines exam procedures and other expectations for students, faculty and staff.

This Secure Assessment Policy is revised periodically. Jersey College reserves the right to change, delete, suspend, or discontinue any part or parts of the policies in this Secure Assessment Policy at any time without prior notice or consent. No statement or promise by a faculty member or administrator may be interpreted as a change in policy. If and when provisions are changed, a new Secure Assessment Policy will be produced. The most recent copy of this policy is available from [www.jerseycollege.edu](http://www.jerseycollege.edu).

Jersey College is not responsible or liable for errors, omissions or other data which may alter the meaning or context of the policies in this manual. Every effort is made to see that the policies and rules in this manual are accurate and the most current versions available; however, some lapses may occur between adoption and posting/distribution of new rules and policies. Should any provision in this manual be found unenforceable and invalid, such finding does not invalidate the entire manual, only the subject provision.

## **B. Reason for Policy**

Promote student success within school and on the NCLEX by:

- Ensuring the reliability and validity of assessments
- Maintaining the integrity of Jersey College
- Increasing and maintaining the quality of Exams
- Implementing electronic, web-based testing across the institution
- Developing a consistent and efficient system for Exam creation, proctoring and other Exam related activities
- Allowing for congruence in secure Exam policy between campuses

## **C. Cheating and Exam Fraud**

Jersey College adheres to standards of academic integrity as articulated in our Academic Catalog. Cheating on Examinations is contrary to both academic integrity standards and to ethical standards and constitutes reason for academic withdrawal and/or expulsion from the College. Jersey College identifies the following activities as forms of cheating and Exam fraud (this list is an Example and is not exhaustive):

- Gaining unauthorized access to an Exam.
- Disclosing and/or distributing Exam content or material, including (i) development of a review sheet or conducting a review directly correlated with actual Exam content (e.g., directing students to pages or content material based on a question in an Exam), (ii) conducting a detailed review session directly correlated with an Exam, (iii) sharing Exam questions with students, etc.)
- Students requesting access to Exam questions or other protected Exam material in forums or social networking.
- Students engaging others to take an Exam on their behalf.
- Giving or receiving unauthorized assistance when taking an Exam.
- Possessing or using unauthorized materials when taking an Exam. This includes notes, recording devices or any other means.
- Altering Exam scores and/or your score report.
- Reproducing Exam materials by any means, including reconstruction through memorization.
- Any other violation that compromises the security of the Jersey College's assessment process.

# EXAM PROCEDURES

## A. General Exam Information

1. **Timing of Exams:** Exams will be administered during scheduled times (see syllabus, course calendar, and/or master Exam calendar). Exams are timed. Generally, Exams range between 1 and 2 ½ hours, but can be as long as 4 hours.
2. **Question Types:** Exams typically have between 50 - 150 questions and, where possible, utilize licensure based-style Exam questions (e.g., multiple choice, select-all-that-apply, hot-spots, audio questions, case studies, etc.). Examinations cover information from classes, course textbook(s), ancillary readings and assignments and/or general knowledge and critical thinking. Questions and answers on the Exams are randomized and backwards test navigation is disabled (i.e., students cannot go back after answering a question).

## B. Exam Testing Software and Platforms

1. **Software and Platforms:** The primary Exam testing software utilized by Jersey College is Exemplify – the ExamSoft, Inc. platform. The College also utilizes the testing platform in Canvas quizzes (all Exams and quizzes individually and collectively, referred to hereafter as “Tests” or “Exams”). Moreover, the college may utilize other third-party testing platforms, including, but not limited to, the Canvas learning management system, Elsevier’s HESI testing platform and ATI’s testing platform.

2. **Access to Software and Platforms:** Access to the Tests are available through the following links:

**Exemplify:** [www.jerseycollege.edu/files/2915/8464/9498/Exemplify\\_Login.mp4](http://www.jerseycollege.edu/files/2915/8464/9498/Exemplify_Login.mp4)

**Canvas:** [www.jerseycollege.instructure.com](http://www.jerseycollege.instructure.com)

3. **Computer Requirements, Compatibility and Updates:**

- a. Exemplify:

- (i) *Minimum Requirement:* The minimum system requirements for Exemplify are published at <https://support.examsoft.com/hc/en-us/articles/11145767390477-Exemplify-Minimum-System-Requirements> Students are informed that while Exemplify may support non-window-based operating systems, the College does not provide support for such systems and computers. As such, to minimize potential compatibility issues, all Tests conducted through Exemplify should be taken on computers that meet Jersey College’s minimal computer specifications. Computer specifications are available at:

[https://www.jerseycollege.edu/application/files/3416/6448/0156/Technology\\_for\\_Coursework.pdf](https://www.jerseycollege.edu/application/files/3416/6448/0156/Technology_for_Coursework.pdf). Further, students are advised that Jersey College does not recommend undertaking Exemplify Tests (1) on machines with a MACOS and/or Apple IOS, including such devices as Macintosh laptop or desktop, Ipad, Iphone, etc., and (2) on any type of tablet or cellular phone. Finally, students are notified that Exemplify does not support Chromebooks, Android or Linux operating systems. Students are solely responsible for any issues and/or problems related to taking a Test on a machine (or operating system) not supported by the College and/or by Exemplify.

- (ii) *Updates*: Students are responsible for ensuring that the testing machine, operating system, Exemplify software and other software on their devices utilized for Testing are up to date and the most current version. Students are solely responsible for any issues and/or problems related to taking a Test on a machine that has not been updated (e.g., bios, OS, Exemplify software, other software, etc.).
- (iii) *Account Setup*: Students are required to undertake and complete any and all account setup and activation requirements associated with Exemplify PRIOR to the scheduled Test date. Students are solely responsible for any issues and/or problems related to failure to setup an Exemplify account PRIOR to the scheduled Test date.

b. Canvas: Tests undertaken through the Canvas system can be accessed through a variety of devices: (i) personal computers (Microsoft and Mac operating systems), (ii) tablets (iPads), and (iii) internet enabled mobile phones with browsers. The minimum device requirements for Canvas are available at <https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-10720-which-browsers-does-canvas-support>.

c. HESI/ATI: Students are required to setup a user account and passcode for all Tests conducted utilizing the HESI or ATI platform PRIOR to the scheduled Test date. The computer requirements for these platforms are available from:

HESI: <https://hesi.elsevier.com/systemChecker/index.html>

ATI: <https://www.atitesting.com/technical-requirements>

Students are also required to undertake and complete any and all compatibility tests associated with the HESI and/or ATI platforms PRIOR to the scheduled Test date.

4. **Internet Access**: Exemplify, Canvas, HESI and ATI require Internet access. Exemplify requires Internet access at the time of downloading and uploading of the Test, while Canvas, HESI and ATI require Internet access throughout the entire Exam. While Jersey College campuses are equipped with Internet Access, the speed, reliability and accessibility are not guaranteed. To the extent Internet access for Canvas, HESI and ATI Tests is unavailable or interrupted at a campus

(immediately prior to or during a Test), Jersey College, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to cancel, reschedule or otherwise modify the planned Test. Unless an Exemplify Test has not been published by Jersey College within two (2) hours of the scheduled start time of such Test, students are solely responsible for the inability to test due to any and all interruptions or unavailability of Internet access at a campus. In the case of an Exemplify Test published within two (2) hours prior to the scheduled start time, Jersey College, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to cancel, reschedule or otherwise modify the planned Test due to the unavailability of Internet.

5. **Start and End Times of Tests:** The start and end times for Tests are set forth in (i) the Master Exam Calendar posted on the Jersey College website under student resources and accessed at <https://www.jerseycollege.edu/student-resources/syllabi>, (ii) course syllabus or (iii) per schedules posted by faculty members. Times and dates for Tests are subject to change. Jersey College will use reasonable efforts to inform students of any such modifications to previously provided Test dates and times.

a. Exemplify: Students are responsible for downloading Exemplify Tests prior to the Test start time. To accomplish this task, students typically receive an email (sent to the student's Jersey College email address) containing Test information (e.g., name of the Test, the student's username, account password, available download times, upload times, etc.). Students are warned that the Exemplify Tests are only available for download and upload for a limited period of time. Students who fail to download or upload a Test by the established time will forfeit their right to take the Test.<sup>1</sup> Students are also advised that delaying downloading of a Test may result in loss of test time; that is, students will have less time to take the Exam than the scheduled length of the Exam. As such, students should download Exams as soon as they are published, start their Exams at the scheduled time and upload as soon as they finish the Exams to provide appropriate time to address technical or other issues that may arise and avoid forfeiture of Tests.

b. Canvas, ATI and HESI: Tests undertaken through Canvas, ATI or HESI open<sup>2</sup> at the scheduled start time of the Exam and close<sup>3</sup> at the scheduled end time. Tests are only available to be taken during this limited period of time. Students should promptly start their Exam. Students that begin an Exam after the

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<sup>1</sup> Subject to adjustment only (i) under extreme and special circumstances, (ii) with appropriate documentation and (iii) approval from the Campus Dean and Campus Director/Administrator (who will consult with the Central Office).

<sup>2</sup> Students can begin the Test

<sup>3</sup> Test is no longer able to be taken

scheduled start time may have less time to take the Exam than the scheduled length of the Exam.

6. **NCLEX-Style Testing:** To mirror the NCLEX testing environment, for computerized Tests, students are not allowed to skip questions or go back to review or change previous questions. Tests do not allow students to move and/or skip to the next question without answering the current question.

## C. Proctoring Methods

Jersey College utilizes a variety of proctoring to promote secure assessments. The syllabus for each course contains the secure assessment testing method(s) utilized for that particular course. No matter the method utilized, students must strictly adhere to the college's Code of Conduct (including Academic Honesty) set forth in the Academic Catalog.

1. **In-person Campus Testing:** These Exams are proctored at the local campus and are subject to and conducted in accordance with the in-person testing rules described below.
2. **Non-proctored, Open-Book Computerized Testing:** These Exams are taken off-campus and do not require a proctor. The Exams are secured through the utilization of unique usernames, passwords, exam codes, start/end times for exams and upload and download times. The Tests are open-book (but not open access). As such, Exam lengths have been shortened limiting student's ability to research and utilize outside resources. The college tracks IP addresses and other data to promote the integrity of the Exams and this secure assessment method.
3. **ProctorU Testing:** These proctored Exams are taken-off campus utilizing ProctorU -- a third-party proctoring platform that utilizes webcams to actively (in-real time) monitor, proctor and administer Exams. To utilize the platform students must comply with the system and equipment specifications set by ProctorU – see <https://www.proctoru.com/proctoru-google-resouce-center>. Students also will be charged an additional fee for utilizing ProctorU.
4. **Institutionally Approved Proctor and Testing Site:** This testing method utilizes pre-approved proctors and testing sites for off-campus Exams. Students are required to obtain college approval for the proctor and site within the first two weeks of the term. The following chart provides information for establishing and obtaining college approval of a proctor and testing site.



Acceptable Person to Serve as a Proctor	Supporting Documentation Needed (one criterion needed)
A member of the teaching faculty or an educational administrator at any accredited higher education institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A web address for the institution’s staff directory where the proctor’s name/position appears</li> <li>• A letter on official College letterhead from the College’s administration attesting to the faculty or administrator’s status as an employee</li> </ul>
A state-certified secondary school teacher or librarian	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter on official letterhead from the School’s administration attesting to the faculty or administrator’s status as an employee</li> <li>• A web address for the organization where the proctor’s name appears</li> </ul>
A public librarian or other qualified library staff member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter written by the proctor’s supervisor or library administration attesting to the staff member’s status as an employee</li> <li>• A web address for the organization where the proctor’s name appears</li> </ul>
An employee who holds a higher rank than the student in the same company/agency where the student is employed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter on official letterhead from the proctor’s supervisor or Human Resources department attesting to the proctor’s employment with the organization and that the proctor holds a higher rank in the organization than the student</li> </ul>
A person who is an active member of the clergy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter on official letterhead verifying the proctor’s position/ordination</li> <li>• A web address for the organization where the proctor’s name appears</li> </ul>
Professional Testing Centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter on official letterhead from the testing center manager verifying the site’s mailing address, phone number, and email address</li> </ul>
Other nominated proctor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Documentation to be determined on an “as needed” basis</li> </ul>

## D. Test Preparation

1. **General Preparation:** Students must be ready and capable of starting their Tests at the designated start time. As such, students are responsible for being at their designated testing space at least thirty minutes prior to scheduled start times for Test and undertaking the following pre-Test preparation activities:
  - Having a fully charged laptop and/or other computer device AND the A/C adaptor for the device(s);
  - Testing of Internet access for stability and reliability (for HESI, ATI and Canvas exams);
  - Conducting pre-Exam compatibility software tests and hardware tests<sup>4</sup>, including
    - Downloading of Exam Software, Web Browsers and Other Software

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<sup>4</sup> Certain platforms include/require students to conduct compatibility tests prior to taking the Exam. For instance, all HESI exams require this action to be performed prior to every test.

- Updating of Operating Systems, Exam Software, Web Browsers and Other Software
  - Possessing their username and password for Exemplify Canvas, ATI, and/or HESI access;
  - Accessing Jersey College’s email system and/or the Canvas email system to obtain their Exam IDs, Exam Passwords and other Test information required for the Examinations;
  - Bringing basic wired headphones (wireless headphones and/or headphones with Bluetooth capabilities may not be utilized in the testing environment);
  - Turning off antivirus software<sup>5</sup>;
  - Ensuring logged into correct account and testing under the correct credentials (the college recommends that students logout of and then back into Testing platform prior to testing)<sup>6</sup>; and
2. **In-Person Test Preparation:** The following additional test preparation activities should be undertaken for in-person tests:
- Arrive at the campus at least thirty minutes prior to the scheduled start time for the Test;
  - Bring student ID card and place on desk;
  - Do NOT bring any personal items to the Test (leave in car or at home); and
  - Utilize bathroom facilities prior to the scheduled start time for the Test.

## E. In-Person Test Rules

The college has a ZERO tolerance for cheating. The following provides rules and policies that must be followed by students during in-person Tests. This list is an overview of standards expected and is not intended to be exhaustive. The general Code of Conduct principles set forth in the Academic Catalog of the college apply to all Tests.

1. **Bathroom:** Students should utilize bathroom facilities prior to the start of the Exam. We do NOT expect that students will need to go to the bathroom during the Exam. In the case of a bathroom emergency during an in-person Test, the student should raise their hand. The proctor will walk over to the student. At this point the

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<sup>5</sup> Certain anti-virus applications may block the computerized platforms (Exemplify and Canvas) from starting properly or can affect their performance during a Test. When taking any Test, students must disable the anti-virus software before taking the Test and re-enable it after exiting the Test. Failure to disable the anti-virus may result in the corruption of an Exam answer file. Jersey College cannot recuperate corrupt answer files and the Test will be forfeited.

<sup>6</sup> Students are responsible for verifying prior to the start of each Test that they are testing under the correct student ID and password. Typically, the student’s name will be displayed in the center of the screen. If there is a discrepancy, students should immediately notify the proctor (for in-person) or help desk (for all other Tests). If a student tests under another student’s name, the Test may be invalidated and the Test will be forfeited.

student must turn his/her test and answers over. The test and answer sheet must be placed face DOWN. If the student is taking the Test on the computer, the student must lower his/her laptop screen, so that other students cannot see the screen. The proctor will then walk the student to the bathroom and wait. The proctor may wait inside or outside of the bathroom (depending on type of bathroom, gender of student and proctor, etc.).

2. **Preparedness:** Students are responsible for all materials required to test – laptop, charger, downloading of Exam prior to start time, etc. Students that are unprepared are subject to a ten percent (10%)<sup>7</sup> penalty (unless waived by the Director/Administrator). Unprepared students may be (i) dismissed and not allowed to take the Exam or (ii) required to take the Exam in the Situation Room or other area.
3. **Seat Assignment:** For in person testing, seating will be assigned by the proctor. Students are not allowed to determine their own seating.
4. **Remain Seated:** Students must remain in their seats at ALL times and be silent!!<sup>8</sup>
5. **Material on Desk:** Students should not have any materials on their desks or under their desk during an in-person test, except as set forth below:

Computerized Examination <sup>9</sup>	Paper Examination
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identification</li> <li>• Computer</li> <li>• Bottle of water (with no label and clear bottle)</li> <li>• Whiteboard</li> <li>• Basic Wired Headphones (headphones with Bluetooth or wireless are not allowed)</li> <li>• Mouse</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identification</li> <li>• Pencil</li> <li>• Calculator (if allowed)</li> <li>• Bottle of water (with no label and clear bottle)</li> </ul>

6. **Personal Items:** Personal items should be not brought to a Test, including:
  - Jackets
  - Lab Coats
  - Cell Phones, Cameras and all electronic devices (out of pockets and in front of the room – in basket or table)
  - Pocketbooks and Wallets (wallets that placed into a person’s back pants pocket and are not taken out during a Test are permissible)

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<sup>7</sup> 10% of the total points on the exam. For instance, a student who took a 50 point (question) test and achieved a score of 45 out of 50 (5 wrong answers) would then lose an additional 5 points resulting in a 40 out of 50 --- a grade of 80%.

<sup>8</sup> Students must remain in their seats unless authorized to leave the room (e.g., approved bathroom break, verified completion of exam by proctor, etc...)

<sup>9</sup> From time to time due to extenuating circumstances, the college may restrict students from bringing any materials to an in-person Test other than a computer and identification for computerized Test and a pencil and identification for a paper Test.

- Hats/Gloves/Scarves
- Jewelry (necklaces, watches, bracelets etc.)
- Lip balm

Such personal items should be left at home or in cars. In special cases, students may be allowed to place personal items in the FRONT of the room (not under desks). Such items should be placed in a clear bag or other similar secure enclosure. Jersey College is not responsible for personal belongings of students (either those brought into the building or left outside the building).

It is a violation of Jersey College's Examination procedures to maintain/possess ANY personal items other than items noted above in pockets or otherwise in a uniform during a Test. Possession of cell phones during Tests is strictly prohibited -- whether on or off.

7. **Dress Code:** Students are required to wear the college approved uniform for all in-person Tests including final Exams. The dress code policy outlined in the Academic Catalog is applicable to all Tests. Students not in uniform will not be allowed to test and be subject to forfeiture of the Test.
8. **Disruptive Behavior:** Disruptive behavior during the Test is prohibited. Distributive behavior includes, but is not limited to creating excessive noise (verbal and non-verbal) and refusal to comply with the proctor's instructions. Determining distributive behavior is at the sole discretion of the proctor. Students will lose ten percent (10%) on their Test. If the problem persists, the student's Test will be forfeited and the student will receive a zero (0) without the ability to make-up the Test.
9. **VPNs:** VPNs must be disabled prior to beginning an exam and not reenabling such VPN until AFTER the exam has been uploaded. Failure to disable a VPN or enabling prior to upload may result in the student's exam being invalidated.
10. **Headphones for Tests:** Students are required to bring basic wired headphones (wireless headphones and headphones with Bluetooth capabilities are not allowed) for all computerized Exams, including, but not limited to PrepU Exams, CJE exams and other exams. Students are solely responsible for any missed questions due to the lack of headphones. Moreover, students utilizing an "internal speaker" in lieu of headphones will be subject to a 10% reduction on the total points in the exam.
11. **Start time of Tests:** The proctors will close the door at the scheduled start time for the Test. Any students not in the room at the time the door is shut will not be allowed to participate in the Test and the Test will be forfeited.
12. **End of Paper Tests:** When time is finished, proctors will notify students that the Test is over and that students have 30 seconds to put down their pencil. If students

do not put down their pencil, it will be considered cheating. Students are to remain in their seat and remain silent until all Tests have been collected.

13. **Video Recording:** Video recording may be used during the administration of Tests to encourage academic honesty and ensure test security. By signing the Secure Assessment Policy Attestation, students consent to the recording of classes and Tests and the use of such recordings as Jersey College deems fit. Cases of alleged academic misconduct that are identified through the use of video recording will be handled in accordance with Jersey College's disciplinary procedures as outlined in the Academic Catalog.
14. **Start of Tests:** After the password is read aloud, students must start the Exam. Students may receive a ten percent (10%) deduction (based on total available points) if the student delays starting the Test.
15. **Proxy Testing:** To further promote the integrity on Exams, students may be required to block the camera/web video on their computer and be requested to temporarily pause. The blocking of the camera/webcam will be accomplished through the utilization of blue painter's tape. The tape must remain on the camera/webcam throughout the Exam. Any removal or partial removal of the tape will be considered a violation of the academic honesty policies.

Moreover, during an exam, a student may be asked to temporarily pause their movements for one–three minutes. The temporary pause will be accomplished by (i) the proctors either verbal or otherwise (e.g., tapping a student on the shoulder, holding up a sign etc...) indicating to the student that they must immediately remove his/her hand from the mouse and keyboard and (ii) the student placing his/her hands on his/her thighs (lap) and keeping the hands there until the proctor indicates that it is appropriate to resume the Exam. A student may continue to read the question while temporarily paused, but cannot touch the mouse or screen. Any failure to comply with the temporary pause instruction will be considered a violation of the academic honesty policies.

16. **Finishing Test Early:** Students who finish an exam early should gather their belongings, quietly leave their seat and quietly exit the room. Students who finish early may not take outside materials out of their bag to review. Students who are disruptive will receive a 10% deduction on their exam.
17. **Questions and Problems:**
  - **Questions:** Students with questions, must raise their hand and wait for the proctor to approach and discuss the concern. The proctor will NOT answer any questions regarding the Test, including but not limited to, the meaning of a word, the wording of the question, etc. The proctor may only assist students

with a bathroom emergency, medical emergency or an issue that is not directly related to an Exam question (e.g., missing a page from an Exam, etc.).

- **Technical Issues:** Students must raise their hand if they are having technical issues (e.g., computer crashes, computer froze etc.) with their computer or the testing platform. Proctors will attempt to resolve the issue. See Technical Issues below for more details.
- **Notifications to Students for Paper Test:** Proctors have been encouraged to notify students every half hour of the time remaining on the Test by writing the remaining time on the classroom white board. In addition, proctors should verbally notify students when there is five minutes and one minute left on a Test.
- **Fire Alarm During a Computerized Test:** In the event that a fire alarm goes off during a computerized Test, students should shut down their computer (i.e., hold down the power button or close their laptop) and leave their computers in the classroom. The proctor will then lock the door behind them. The Exam may be resumed when students are cleared to return to the building. For Exemplify Tests, a resume code will be provided by the proctor.<sup>10</sup> If a fire alarm goes off more than once during a Test, the Test will be invalidated<sup>11</sup> and rescheduled for a different date.

## F. Technical Issues

A number of technology issues may occur during an Exam, including, but not limited to, loss of internet, computer reboots, battery failures and computer crashes. The college will use reasonable efforts to assist students with technical issues and resolving of the problem. Nonetheless, Jersey College is not responsible for technical issues. Students are advised to undertake the following the steps when experiencing a technical issue.

1. **Exemplify Tests:** When a technical issue arises, students should restart and reboot the computer. The computer will reboot directly into Exemplify, rather than the windows desktop and students will be prompted to Return to Exam or Exit Exam. A resume code may be required.<sup>12</sup> Students are warned NOT to Exit the Exam.

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<sup>10</sup> By shutting down the computer, the timer on the Test is paused, and students will resume where they left off.

<sup>11</sup> Unless the Test has been substantially completed - i.e., 2<sup>nd</sup> alarm goes off with less than ten minutes left. In such case, the Test students will be required to return and the Test will be resumed.

<sup>12</sup> Resume codes will be provided by the proctor for in-person exams or will be provided in the Canvas email with the Exam passcode.

By exiting the Exam, the answer file will be automatically uploaded to ExamSoft and students will not be able to continue with their Exam.

If students are unable to restart/reboot their computer, students will be required to re-download the Exam on a different computer. This second download is not automatic; to initiate this process students need to contact an administrator (Dean, Program Chair, Campus Administrator, or Campus Director).

2. **Canvas:** When technical issues arise with a Canvas Test students should contact the help desk immediately and seek assistance. Students should be prepared to reboot their computer or switch to another machine. Jersey College will assist students with Canvas technical issues but students remain solely responsible for Testing access and reliability.
3. **Third-Party Tests (HESI/ATI):** When technical issues arise with third-party tests, and the issues cannot be resolved, students will need to restart the entire Test on a different computer.<sup>13</sup> If the technical issues are temporarily resolved, but then re-occur the student has the option of (i) taking the Exam on the troubled machine and accepting the risks associated with technical failures (loss of time, interruptions, etc.) or (ii) restarting the entire Test on a different computer.<sup>14</sup> In all cases, students will not be provided with an opportunity to retest on a different day as a result of technical issues related to third-party exams.<sup>14</sup>

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<sup>13</sup> Students may need to retest in a different room.

<sup>14</sup> Jersey College reserves the right to invalidate all tests where systematic issues arise. Systematic issues involve the super-majority of testers experiencing technical issues.

# Review of Examinations

Prior to grades and Exams being available for review, all Exams must undergo a complete item analysis. This analysis can take a week or more to complete. After this item analysis is completed grades are released and certain Exams may be reviewed as described below.

In any review, students are not allowed to take notes or remove test materials or utilize any review session in any manner to recreate or reproduce an Exam. **The recreation/reproduction of an Exam or an attempt to undertake such activity is a violation of the college’s student code of conduct and is subject to termination from the college.** *Recreation/reproduction of an Exam includes, but is not limited to, writing notes or summaries of an Exam review during or after the Exam review has been completed, sharing of information from an Exam review with others (oral or written), or any other similar activities.*

The following table provides a general overview of Exams and the types of reviews that may be available.

<b>Exam Type</b>	<b>In-Class Reviews</b>	<b>Outside of Class Reviews</b>	<b>S&amp;O Report</b>
Institutional Exams	Lowest Scoring Questions (when available)	No	Yes (when available)
PrepU Proctored Exams	No	No	No
Other Exams (e.g., CJE exams)	No	No	Yes (when available)

- 1. Institutionally Developed Exams:** Institutional Developed Exams (aka Institutional Exams) refer to Tests that are coordinated, created and scored at a central level. These Exams are not reviewable.

To the extent that the Exams are categorized and coded, students will be able to review<sup>15</sup> a Strengths and Opportunities Report (“S&O Report”). The S&O Report identifies areas of strength and areas for improvement based on industry standard

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criteria. These include, but are not limited to, client needs, learning domain, nursing process and sub-specialty.

To the extent that the Exams are not categorized and coded faculty members may<sup>16</sup> have the option to review selected questions (typically the 10 lowest scoring – “Lowest Scoring Questions”) in class<sup>17</sup> (or during a live-interaction if virtual) with the entire class.<sup>18</sup>

2. **PrepU Proctored Exams.** The content of these Exams are described in applicable course syllabi. These Tests are not be reviewable in any manner – there are no in-class reviews, no S&O Reports or lowest scoring questions reviews.
3. **Other Exams.** Others Exams such as Clinical Judgement Exams (“CJE”) are not reviewable. Students will be able to review<sup>19</sup> a Strengths and Opportunities Report (“S&O Report”), when available. The S&O Report identifies areas of strength and areas for improvement based on industry standard criteria. These include, but are not limited to, client needs, learning domain, nursing process and sub-specialty. Faculty members do not receive the Lowest Scoring Questions on these Exams.

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<sup>16</sup> Subject to the Assessment Department’s authorization and ability to compile and forward this information. Authorization is at the sole discretion of the Assessment Department.

<sup>17</sup> In-class reviews should be conducted under the same secure procedures as an Exam. Therefore, the following activities are prohibited by students during in-classroom reviews (i) standing, (ii) conversations, (iii) cellphone usage, (iv) laptop usage, (v) note taking, (vi) reviewing of textbooks and (vii) utilization of writing utensils.

<sup>18</sup> Students will not receive a copy of the Exam or a copy of their bubble sheet during such review.

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## **Make-up Examinations**

The course calendar and/or master exam calendar provides the exact dates of all Exams scheduled in the term. Students must take Exams on scheduled dates and at scheduled times to avoid a penalty. In general, there are no make-up exams. However, please refer to your course syllabus for the specific make-up policy for the course.

## Special Accommodations

Jersey College is committed to providing equal access to programs and services to individuals who suffer from a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, including learning. To receive special accommodations, individuals are required to present documentation stated below **at least three (3) weeks** prior to an Exam. All medical and supporting documentation submitted will be kept confidential, and will be used for the purpose of assisting Jersey College in determining the suitable accommodations necessary for the candidate, if any. The final decision regarding an accommodation request lies with Campus Director/Administrator. The Campus Director/Administrator's decision will be communicated to the student prior to the Exam. The Academic Catalog contains additional details and procedures with respect to requesting special accommodations with respect to examinations.

# Exhibits

# Exhibit A

## USING EXAMSOFT FOR COMPUTERIZED EXAMS

Examsoft usernames and passwords are the same as students' Jersey College email addresses and password.

For example, Jane Doe uses the following credentials to access Canvas and Jersey College email:

Username: [jane.doe@jerseycollege.edu](mailto:jane.doe@jerseycollege.edu)  
Password: Password1!

Her Examsoft login credentials would be as follows:

Username: [jane.doe@jerseycollege.edu](mailto:jane.doe@jerseycollege.edu)  
Password: Password1!  
Institutional ID: JerseyCollege

For more information and videos on Exemplify, please review instructions in the JC101 course in Canvas or click the following link:

[https://support.examsoft.com/hc/en-us/articles/11145989728525-Exemplify-Get-Started-with-Exemplify-Video-Guide#h\\_01GE01JW07VABQJTDG3EKSFHSH](https://support.examsoft.com/hc/en-us/articles/11145989728525-Exemplify-Get-Started-with-Exemplify-Video-Guide#h_01GE01JW07VABQJTDG3EKSFHSH)