

Upper Iowa University – Milwaukee Center is an open testing center for the DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST) exams.

DSST Exams

Historically, DSST (formerly DANTES) exams were used by the Department of Defense as a way for military personnel to earn college credit. The exams are now available to all students and give students a way to receive proficiency credit for learning acquired outside the traditional college classroom. Test topics tend to mirror life experience skill sets. Some examples of test topics include: “Here’s to your Health”, “Personal Finance” and “Law Enforcement”. You can learn more about DSST exams at the DSST website (getcollegedcredit.com)

Registration & Preparation

An appointment is necessary to complete a DSST exam. To make an appointment, please call 414-475-4848. Testing hours are Monday thru Thursday 10am until 4pm and Friday 10am until 1pm.

Registration for an exam should be done a week in advance of the requested appointment time. Same day or walk-in testing requests are **NOT** accepted.

On the day of the exam, you will be required to show valid, state-issued identification that includes a current photo and your signature.

There are several study tools available to prep for an examination. Exam descriptions and sample questions are available on the DSST website at www.getcollegedcredit.com. Online DSST practice exams and comprehensive study courses can also be purchased. The official DSST test preparation guide can be found at <http://www.getcollegedcredit.com/testprep>.

Costs

The total test cost is \$100.

- \$80 is payable to DSST by credit card on the day of the exam
- A \$20 administration fee is due to Upper Iowa University. This can be paid by personal check, credit card or money order and **must** be paid at the time the exam appointment is requested. This fee is **non-refundable and non-transferable.**

Other Facts about DSST Testing

- There are 37 DSST exams in the areas of Social Science, Business, Mathematics, Applied Technology, Humanities and Physical Science.
- The exams are offered in a computerized format with multiple choice questions (the exception is Principles of Public Speaking)
- Examinees have a maximum of 2 hours to complete any test.
- You must wait six months before retaking any exam, per Prometric policy.
- You are responsible for checking which DSST exam(s) your university will accept. For more information about how DSST exams would apply to your degree plan at UIU, please contact your academic advisor.
- You will be asked to provide the correct DSST school code at the time you test. A directory of colleges and universities can be found at www.getcollegecredit.com