The CASPer Assessment - Computer-Based Assessment for Sampling Personal Characteristics

All applicants to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program, at North Island College, are required to complete an online assessment (CASPer).

CASPer is a mandatory component of the admission process.

CASPer is an online assessment which assesses for non-cognitive skills and interpersonal characteristics that are important for successful students and graduates of our program, and will complement the other tools that are used for applicant screening. As an evidence based assessment tool, the inclusion of CASPer enhances fairness and objectivity in our selection process.

The CASPer assessment is comprised of 14 sections of video and written scenarios. Following each scenario, you will be required to answer a set of probing questions under a time contract. Each response is graded by a different rater, giving a very robust and reliable view of personal and professional characteristics important to our program. No studying is required for CASPer, although you may want to familiarize yourself with the assessment structure at <u>acuityinsights.app</u> and ensure you have a quiet environment to take the assessment.

You are encouraged to familiarize yourself with the standard CASPer test format in order to reduce test day anxiety and prevent technical issues which may affect test smoothness. Information regarding a sample CASPer test is available <u>here</u>. Also, it is appropriate for you to answer in point form, spelling and grammar will not be taken into account as part of the evaluation. Should you have any medical conditions which require specific accommodations, please consult our FAQ page <u>here</u> You may direct any inquiries on the assessment to <u>acuityinsights.app/contact-us</u>

In order to complete CASPer, you will be responsible for securing access to a computer with audio capabilities, a webcam, and a reliable internet connection on your selected assessment date. CASPer can be taken practically anywhere that you can satisfy the stated requirements. No exceptions will be provided for applicants unable to take CASPer online due to being located at sites where internet is not dependable due to technical factors.

To schedule your CASPer assessment, go to <u>my.acuityinsights.app</u> and register using your 7 digit NIC student ID number. You will be provided with a limited number of assessment dates and times. There is a fee of \$50.00 CAD plus taxes to take the CASPer assessment and an additional \$16.00 CAD plus taxes payable to distribute the assessment results to NIC. You may use your Nursing CASPer assessment at another Canadian post-secondary institution for an additional \$16.00 CAD plus taxes distribution fee.

PLEASE NOTE: CASper testing dates are specific and limited, information on dates and fees can be found <u>here</u>. There will be no additional assessments scheduled from the list provided, you are encouraged to book as soon as possible. Please use an email address that you check regularly; there may be updates to the assessment schedule.

Please direct any inquiries on the assessment to <u>acuityinsights.app/contact-us</u>. <i>Alternatively, you may use the "Support" button on the takecasper.com website.

NOTE: The assessment times are scheduled in Eastern Time Zone only and you must register for your exam date a minimum of three (3) days in advance of the assessment date in order for Altus Assessments to ensure sufficient time to validate your Government issued photo identification and payment processing timelines. Last minute bookings are **not** recommended.

To schedule and take CASPer, please visit <u>acuityinsights.app</u>