

Component 1: Content Knowledge

Planning Guide

Component 1 (C1) is a computer-based assessment that requires you to demonstrate your understanding of content knowledge and pedagogical practices for teaching your content area. You must demonstrate knowledge of developmentally-appropriate content, which is necessary for teaching across the full range and ability level of your chosen certificate area.

Component Weight	40% of final score
Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You have some flexibility with when you register and start preparing for this component. All of the Standards and Component Instructions are available online for free. You can create an account, register, and/or purchase this component by April 30, 2021. The testing window is open August 15, 2021.
Gather and Familiarize	<p>Familiarize yourself with the foundational documents for National Board certification.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Five Core Propositions The National Board Standards Guide to National Board Certification The Scoring Guide Webinar Recording: Nuts and Bolts of Board Certification (Revised dates and deadlines in the Guide, Pg. 5.) <p>Access support resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find out about candidate support groups and networks in your local area or state. Self-enroll in a free Canvas course to support you on your National Board journey.
Learn and Plan	<p>Learn about the requirements of Component 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview video Component 1: Content Knowledge Assessment Center Policy and Guidelines Certificate-specific Instructions Previously recorded Component 1 webinars Engage with the C1 module of the Canvas course. Selected Response Items: Find, download, and work with the SRI Graphic Organizer for your Certificate Area (these are view only files). Constructed Response Exercises: CR: Graphic Organizers
Schedule Your Appointment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Testing appointments fill up quickly; it is important that you schedule and test as early as possible. Go to this site to look for the testing center nearest you. If you need testing accommodations, learn more about when and how to apply for an accommodation in the Request for Testing Accommodations: Form and Instructions document.
Study and Prepare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the information in your graphic organizers to prepare for your C1 assessment. Additional resources can be found here. Familiarize yourself with policies and instruction outlined in the Component 1: Content Knowledge Assessment Center Policy and Guidelines document before testing. Watch this video on preparing for the Assessment Center and this tutorial on the Pearson site.
Take Your C1 Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make sure to review the materials permitted in the testing center in Component 1: Content Knowledge Assessment Center Policy and Guidelines, Pg. 11.