

Comprehensive (CPCE) Details

CPCE Formats:

- CPCE-CBT (Computer Based Testing): Administered at a Pearson Vue testing center. The exam dates, locations, times and proctors are selected by Pearson Vue. You will select an exam date in conjunction with Pearson.

The Process

You will submit the Comprehensive Request Form (*w/accommodation letter if needed*). The request will be processed and sent to the CCE. They will in turn process and send back a link that will be dispersed to you that allows you to register on their website and set up the exam.

Exam covers 8 core areas

The CPCE consists of 160 multiple choice items with 20 items per each of the eight (8) CACREP areas. Of the 20 items per section, 17 will be scored items and the remaining three will be pretest items that are not identified to the student. As such, the total amount of scored questions on the CPCE is 136. The test taker is allotted 4 hours.

Human Growth & Development	EDCG 5335
Counseling Techniques	EDCG 5317
Professional Orientation & Ethics	EDCG 5313
Appraisal	EDCG 5325 & 5327
Career & Lifestyle Counseling	EDCG 5353
Group Counseling	EDCG 5328
Research	EDCG 5333
Social/Cultural Diversity	EDCG 5342

CPCE Exam Cost:

\$150.00 per administration

Testing Allowances:

When registering for the CPCE-CBT, every student is allotted a 6- month window and 3 attempts within the 6-month window to schedule a testing appointment and successfully test.

If a student needs to retake the CPCE after the first attempt, they have 2 additional attempts within their 6- month window, each attempt requires payment, \$150 for the CBT (\$450 if all 3 attempts are used).

Though students have 3 attempts within their 6-month window, students are only permitted to test once a month, unless they are directed to do otherwise by their university program coordinator.

The pass score is currently a 75.

Accommodation Request:

(You will need a signed accommodation on letterhead from DSS attached with the Comprehensive Request Form)

The accommodation letter sent to CCE must (1) be on university letterhead and (2) contain the specific accommodations the student needs. This letter is usually processed by the university's Disability Student Services Center.

ID Requirements: (to gain admission to testing center)

To gain admission to the testing center, you must present two forms of identification, one with a photograph.

The name on your registration and on your photo ID must be identical. Both forms of identification must be current and include your current name and signature.

You will be required to sign a roster for verification of identity. Acceptable forms of photo identification include a current driver's license, a current state identification card, a current passport or a current military identification card.

Employment ID cards, student ID cards, and any type of temporary identification are not acceptable as the primary form of identification.

You must have proper identification to gain admission to the testing center. Failure to provide appropriate identification at the time of the examination is considered a missed appointment, and a refund of your examination fee will not be granted.

Cancellations and Rescheduling:

If you are unable to test on the selected test date but can test within your 6-month authorization window, you can reschedule your testing appointment by logging into their Pearson Vue account, clicking the appointment link at the top of the dashboard, and then selecting 'reschedule' on the next screen to the far right or by contacting Pearson Vue via phone.

Please note a reschedule fee of \$50 will be charged by Pearson Vue when the student reschedules their exam.

For the CPCE-CBT, if you need to reschedule or cancel the appointment do at least 24 hours before your scheduled exam date.

For the CPCE-CBT, , if you are unable to test within the 6-month window you will need to completely cancel the testing.

The CPCE-CBT appointments will need to be canceled at least 24 hours before their scheduled exam date.

Pearson Vue will refund the student once the appointment has been canceled. \$150 for the CPCE-CBT appointment.

- Pearson Vue Customer Service: 866-904-4432

Study Materials: While CCE does not offer an official study guide for the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE), they do provide a list of textbook resources frequently used in CACREP-accredited counselor preparation programs. https://www.cce-lobal.org/Assets/CPCE_Textbook_List.pdf

There are a plethora of study materials on the web

A few study guides available:

- Mastering the National Counselor Examination and the Counselor Preparation
- Comprehensive Examination by Erford, Hays, Crockett, and Miller
- Encyclopedia of Counseling by Rosenthal
- Study Guide for the National Counselor Examination and CPCE Counselor Preparation
- Comprehensive Examination by A. A. Helwig

Additional Free Study Guides

- Additional information: <http://www.nbcc.org/Exams>
- CPCE sample questions: <http://www.counselorprep.com/cpce-practice-exam/>
- 200 free practice questions for CPCE: <http://www.practicequiz.com/cpce-exam-prep>
- CPCE Practice Test Review: <http://www.testprepreview.com/cpce.htm>
- CPCE flashcards: <http://www.cram.com/tag/cpce>
- CPCE sample practice questions taken from Troy University: http://trop.troy.edu/drsmall/Program%20Stuff/CPCE_Sample_Questions.pdf
- CPCE Free Practice Exam taken from USM: <https://usm.maine.edu/sites/default/files/Counselor%20Education/CPCEpractice.pdf>
- CPCE Exam sample items taken from TXState: <https://www.txstate.edu/clas/Professional-Counseling/current-students/CPCE/sampleitems.html>
- CPCE Practice Questions: <https://quizlet.com/subject/CPCE/>
- CPCE Practice Question sets: <https://www.test-questions.com/cpce-exam-questions04.php>

Three testing sites in San Antonio:

Pearson Professional Centers-San Antonio TX 7.4 mi

10000 San Pedro Ave
Suite 175
San Antonio, Texas 78216
United States

[Test Center Information](#)

Pearson Professional Centers-San Antonio (NW) 8.3 mi

6100 Bandera Rd.
Suite 407

Stonewater Tower West
San Antonio, Texas 78238
United States

[Test Center Information](#)

**Pearson Professional Centers-Shavano Park
TX**

3619 Paesanos Parkway
Suite 301
Shavano Center III
Shavano Park, Texas 78231
United States

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