

# 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.

Weight
40% of final score
Deadlines
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You have some flexibility with when you register and start preparing for this component.</li> <li>All of the <a href="#">Standards</a> and <a href="#">Component Instructions</a> are available online for free.</li> <li>You can <a href="#">create an account, register, and/or purchase</a> this component according to current dates and deadlines found <a href="#">here</a>.</li> <li>Please check the testing window <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul>
Gather and Familiarize
<p>Familiarize yourself with the foundational documents for National Board certification.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">The Five Core Propositions</a></li> <li><a href="#">The National Board Standards</a></li> <li><a href="#">Guide to National Board Certification</a></li> <li><a href="#">The Scoring Guide</a></li> <li>Previously Recorded Webinar: <a href="#">Introduction to National Board Certification</a> (Current dates and deadlines in the <a href="#">Guide to National Board Certification</a>)</li> </ul> <p>Access support resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find out about candidate support groups and <a href="#">networks</a> in your local area or <a href="#">state</a>.</li> <li>Visit the <a href="#">National Board Homeroom</a></li> </ul>
Learn and Plan
<p>Learn about the requirements of Component 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Overview video</a></li> <li><a href="#">Component 1: Content Knowledge Assessment Center Policy and Guidelines</a></li> <li><a href="#">Certificate-specific Instructions</a></li> <li>Previously <a href="#">recorded</a> Component 1 webinars</li> <li>Engage with the C1 module of the Canvas course.</li> <li>Selected Response Items: Find, download, and work with the SRI Graphic Organizer for your Certificate Area (<a href="#">these are view only files</a>).</li> </ul>

- Constructed Response Exercises: [CR: Graphic Organizers](#)

### Schedule Your Appointment

- Testing appointments fill up quickly; it is important that you schedule and test as early as possible. You can schedule an appointment right from your National Board account.
- Go to <http://www.pearsonvue.com/nbpts/> and 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

- 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

- Make sure to review the materials permitted in the testing center in [Component 1: Content Knowledge Assessment Center Policy and Guidelines](#).

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