Don’t confuse the ETS® Proficiency Profile with your department Major Field Test. You may be required to take both.

The ETS® Proficiency Profile (ETS® PP) is an online exam that assesses student learning in the areas of critical thinking, reading, writing and mathematics. The ETS® Proficiency Profile is designed for colleges and universities to assess general education outcomes and inform teaching and learning. Your scores will be compared to scores of other graduates across the nation. The success of Western students on the ETS® PP influences the perceptions others have regarding the quality of Western programs and therefore the value of your degree.

When do I take the ETS® PP?
If you have earned 90 credit hours, you are eligible to preregister online to take the ETS® PP. This university-wide exit exam must be completed prior to graduation, but you are encouraged to take it as soon as you have earned 90 credit hours. Do not wait until your last semester.

How will I be notified to take the ETS® Proficiency Profile?
Check your Missouri Western email! Notification will be sent to your Missouri Western email the first week of the Spring and Fall semesters and a second email approximately two weeks later. The link for registration will be included in your email. Please register as soon as you receive your email.

How do I sign up to take the exam?
All students must preregister to take the ETS® PP. A registration link is included in your notification email. To assure adequate seats are available, no walk-in registration is permitted. If the testing session is closed and you have questions, please contact Carolyn at 816-271-4364 or email cschindler@missouriwestern.edu.

What does it cost to take the ETS® PP?
If you take the exam at a regularly scheduled time - that which is offered for all students in the Spring and Fall semesters - there is no cost. Approximately 14 exams are offered each semester free of charge. If for some reason you fail to make it to the scheduled tests, special testing times will cost $85 per person.

Where do I take the exam?
The ETS® PP is given in Popplewell Hall, Room 307. This is a computer lab. Please be sure to preregister early to guarantee a seat since seating is limited. It is important to arrive on time!

What should I expect when I arrive?
You will present your student Western ID card and sign-in to take the exam. An online personal profile will be completed. All students will be excused at the same time after everyone has completed the exam. Allow one and a half hours for the test. Late arrivals will NOT be permitted to take the exam.

What do I need to bring with me to take the ETS® Proficiency Profile?
Bring your MWSU ID card. Please bring a pencil or pen. You may bring a 4-function, non-graphing calculator. You may not use the calculator on your phone or computer.

How am I notified of my score?
Your score will automatically be shown to you online after completion of the exam. This is your only notification. You will have the opportunity to print your score sheet after all students have completed the exam.

If you are unable to attend your designated testing session or have questions, call 816-271-4364 or email cschindler@missouriwestern.edu.