



IC³ GS4 Fast Track for CGS 1060 Exemption Assessment

Objective: To give TCC students the opportunity to exempt the CGS1060 course by demonstrating their digital literacy skills. Students who pass IC3 GS4 **Fast Track** assessment will earn 3 elective credits. **IC3 GS4 Fast Track** is used to gauge digital literacy skills of college students.

Ways to prepare for the Fast Track:

1. We strongly encourage you to sign up for the IC3 practice test from the Certiport website, www.certiport.com. The cost is \$65. Create a student account – It's easiest if you use your TCC email and password (*username@mymail.tcc.fl.edu*)
 - TCC students can train and practice on three modules in the IC3 GS4 practice test group, Computing Fundamentals, Key Applications, and Living Online.
 - There are three Trainings and three Practice Exams for each module. The IC3 GS4 Training exams are the most effective use of your time.
 - Completing each of the trainings and practice exams will better prepare you for the Fast Track Exemption Exam.
 - Create an account with GMetrix. Again. It's easiest if you use your TCC email and password. (*username@mymail.tcc.fl.edu*)

GMetrix **works best with Chrome on a PC or a Mac using Safari.**

Step 1: Pay a \$15 Fee at the Cashier's Office (Student Union room 278). You will receive an exemption assessment receipt.

Step 2: Purchase a Fast Track Voucher from the TCC Bookstore. Vouchers have expiration dates. Plan to take your exam within 15 days of purchase.

Step 3: Register with Ms. Kathleen Mellino to take the Fast Track Assessment. You must bring your TCC Bookstore receipt as proof of purchase and the Cashier's receipt with you when you register to take the Assessment. See **Kathleen Mellino**, Staff Assistant, Computer Technology Department, room 238, (850) 201-8495, or Mike Vickers, Computer Technology, Room 240, (850) 201-8279.

Step 4: On the day of the assessment **bring** your TCC picture ID. Your Proctor will assign your Voucher Number prior to taking the exam.

Step 5: **The passing score is 800.** If you pass the assessment, Ms. Mellino will forward the exemption paperwork to the Dean of Technology and Professional Programs for approval, then on to Enrollment Services to add the credits to your transcript. The credits should appear on your transcript within a week of passing this exam.

Q: What is the IC3 GS4 Fast Track Assessment?

A: IC3 GS4 Fast Track is based on the globally recognized Certiport IC3 GS4 and GS5 certifications, a globally recognized standards-based certification for fundamental computing and Internet skills.

Q: How can I tell if I passed the IC3 GS4 Fast Track?

A: You must score 800 or higher to pass the IC³ Fast Track.

Q: Is the IC3 GS4 Fast Track timed?

A: Yes, the IC3 GS4 Fast Track is timed. You have 50 minutes to complete the assessment.

Q: Who should take the IC3 GS4 Fast Track?

A: Students interested in earning three (3) elective credits by exempting the CGS1060 course. A score of 800 or higher will earn three elective credit hours and an S on your transcript. It does not get added to your GPA.

Q: How is the IC3 GS 4 Fast Track Assessment administered?

A: An approved proctor will administer the test in a proctored environment. Students who earn a score of 800 or higher on the Assessment will receive 3 credit hours for CGS1060 and receive an S on their transcript. It does not affect your GPA.

Q: How Many times can I take the IC3GS4 Fast Track?

A: You may attempt the exam two times. You must buy a voucher for each attempt; however, you only need to pay one \$15.00 exemption fee.

Q: When is this exemption exam offered?

A: We can schedule this exemption exam all year with the exception of TCC's exam weeks.
