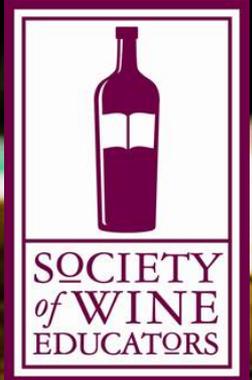


How to Sign up for a CSS or CSW Exam at Pearson Vue Testing Center





Login or Register

LOGIN

Use the form below to login.

Email address

Password

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NEW USERS

Use the form below to register for an account.

First name

Last name

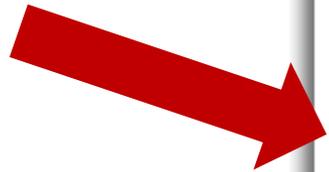
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PURCHASE STUDY GUIDES, EXAM ATTENDANCE, AND OTHER MATERIALS

	Non-Member Price	Member Price	
Membership			
Professional	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00	Add To Cart
Associate Membership	\$ 85.00	\$ 85.00	Add To Cart
Industry Membership	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	Add To Cart
Corporate Membership	\$ 2500.00	\$ 2500.00	Add To Cart
Membership Upgrade	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	Add To Cart
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Beverage Specialist/Hospitality Beverage Certificate (BS/HBC)			
HBSC Study Guide and Exam Attendance Combo	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	Add To Cart
HBSC Exam Attendance	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	Add To Cart
Certified Specialist of Wine Program (CSW)			
CSW Exam (includes study guide)	\$ 600.00	\$ 450.00	Add To Cart
CSW Exam Retake	\$ 550.00	\$ 400.00	Add To Cart
CSW Study Guide	\$ 150.00	\$ 100.00	Add To Cart
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Step Two: Purchase your exam attendance credit from the SWE Website's "Catalog and Store"



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Filter the items shown:

Date	Type	Certification	Location	
04/28/14	Exam	CSW	Harrisonburg, VA	Info Register
04/29/14	Exam	CSS	Austin, TX	Info Register
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Step Three: If you purchased your exam attendance credit after May 5, 2014, Pearson Vue will automatically email you an "authorization to test" email along with a candidate id code. If you purchased your exam previously, please contact Ben Coffelt of the SWE Home Office; a link to his email address is on the top of the "Exams & Seminars" page on the SWE website. Ben will arrange for Pearson to send you an authorization email and code.



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Step Four: Once you have received your candidate id code from Pearson, you can go to the Pearson Vue website to schedule your exam. A link is available on the "Exams & Seminars" page on the SWE website.

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Step Five: From the Pearson Vue website, you will be able to search for a testing center near you that offers the SWE Exams.

[Home](#) > [Test Taker Services](#) > [Society of Wine Educators](#)

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Scheduling for a computer-based exam

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Schedule Online

Schedule By
Phone

After you schedule your exam, Pearson VUE will send you a confirmation email listing your exam date, your exam time, the address and phone number of the test center, and directions to the test center.

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Step Seven: You will find information on how to schedule your Pearson exam on the SWE landing page of the Pearson website.

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And...good luck with your exam!