The TSI test content focuses on two content areas of writing: writing and revising essays and elements of strong sentence construction. One section of the test involves your writing an original essay, and the other is a multiple-choice test asking you to choose the best among answers to questions:

- That emphasize choices of possible revisions to sentences and paragraphs within a composition;
- That emphasize issues of agreement of subjects and verbs, pronouns, and verb tense;
- That emphasize issues of writing effective sentences:
  - Recognizing and correcting sentence fragments;
  - Recognizing and correcting sentence combination errors like run-on sentences and comma splices;
  - Organizing sentence elements to coordinate equal parts or to subordinate one part to another; and
- That emphasize sentence logic, focusing on correct placement of modifying phrases and clauses and the use of logical transitions.

Successfully completing this part of the TSI writing component depends on paying attention and not hurrying through test questions. You should look carefully at each element of a test question and each answer. Sometimes, the difference between one answer and another is just one mark of punctuation or the order of one or two words.

This emphasis on attention and precision not only indicates your strengths as a writer, but also predicts your success as a college student because these qualities of thinking are important in many of the college courses that will lead to your degree. Precise thinking and analysis are also significant components of success in many careers in fields such as business, engineering, medicine and health care, teaching, and politics.