INITIAL LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS

ENTRY ASSESSMENT: PRAXIS CORE MATH + the VCLA

PRAXIS CORE ACADEMIC SKILLS ASSESSMENT FOR EDUCATORS

Praxis® Core Academic Skills for Educators (Core) tests measure academic skills in reading, writing and mathematics. These tests were designed to provide comprehensive assessments that measure the skills and content knowledge of candidates entering teacher preparation programs. Praxis Core consists of three subtests, however for admission to UTEP, IDS-TP majors need only take the mathematics subtest (5732).

VIRGINIA COMMUNICATION AND LITERACY ASSESSMENT

The Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment measures the communication and literacy skills necessary to teach and communicate with parents and others in the education community. The VCLA consists of two subtests—a reading subtest (091) and a writing subtest (092)

When should I take the Praxis Core Math subtest and the VCLA?

The Darden College of Education uses the Praxis Core math subtest combined with the VCLA to evaluate individuals for entry into teacher education programs (UTEP), therefore these assessments are generally taken early in your college career.

How and where do I take it?

PRAXIS CORE MATH SUBTEST -For Test Dates, Test Sites, Fee and Payment Policies, and Registration information visit: https://www.ets.org/praxis/register/

VCLA - For Test Dates, Test Sites, Fee and Payment Policies, and Registration information visit: www.va.nesinc.com

What are the passing scores?

The VBOE approved a score of 150 for the Praxis Core Math subtest and a composite score of 470 for the VCLA.

PRAXIS Elementary Education Multiple Subjects Assessment

Measures knowledge of specific subjects that PK-3, PK-6, and Special Educators will teach, as well as general and subject-specific teaching skills and knowledge.

When should I take it?

You will be best prepared for this assessment after completing a majority of your content area courses.

Elementary Education Multiple Subjects Study Companion

How and where do I take it?

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What are the passing scores?

Beginning July 1, 2015 the Board approved a score of 157 on the Reading and Language Arts subtest (5002), 157 on the Mathematics subtest (5003), 155 on the Social Studies subtest (5004), and 159 on the Science subtest (5005).

The RVE

The purpose of the Reading for Virginia Educators assessment is to determine that the entry-level PK-3, PK-6, and special education teacher will have the knowledge, skills, and abilities that are important, necessary and needed at time of entry to the profession of teaching reading.

When should I take it?

Primary Elementary (PEEM) students will be best prepared for this assessment upon completing READ 680 at the graduate level. ECHL, SPEL, & SPEN students will be best prepared for this assessment upon completing TLED 468 & 408. SECA students are not required to take the RVE.

How and where should I take it?

The RVE is part of the Praxis series. For Test Dates, Test Sites, Fee and Payment Policies, and Registration information visit: http://www.ets.org/praxis/prepare/materials/5306

What is the passing score?

The VBOE approved a score of 157 on Elementary and Special Education Teacher Assessment (0306 paper or 5306 computer-based).