

Basic Skills Testing Requirement for Admission to Teacher Certification Programs

All applicants to SCSU Teacher Certification Programs (undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, and MAT) are required to submit basic skills test scores in Reading, Mathematics, and Writing from Praxis® Core to satisfy the State of Connecticut competency examination requirement or meet the requirements for a waiver. Scores must be from within the last five years.

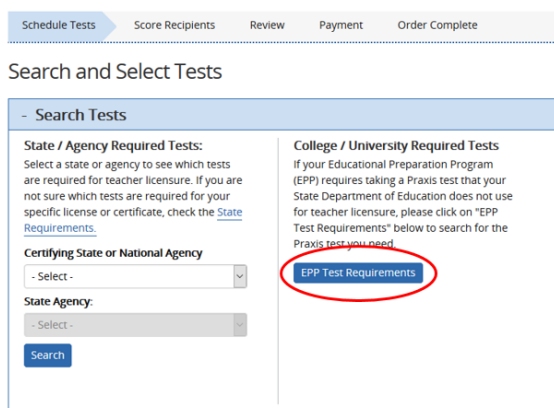
- a. Candidates who do not achieve a satisfactory Praxis® Core score will be required to participate in remediation plans.
- b. Students qualify for a Praxis® Core waiver if:
 - (1) they have an SAT score no less than 530 on the mathematics portion, **and** no less than 540 on the evidenced-based reading and writing, or
 - (2) an ACT score of 21 or higher on the mathematics subtest **and** no less than 21 on the reading subtest.

Note: Applicants meeting the Praxis® Core waiver criteria may still be required to take the Writing portion of Praxis® Core if they do not have an essay score from SAT or ACT.

Registering for Praxis Core Exams

Applicants are strongly encouraged to prepare for the tests. Free test preparation material can be found at: www.ets.org/praxis/prepare/materials

- To register for the tests, create a “My Praxis Account” online at www.ets.org/praxis. When registering for the test, click the “EPP Test Requirements” button to search for the tests:



The screenshot shows the ETS Praxis registration interface. At the top, there are tabs: Schedule Tests, Score Recipients, Review, Payment, and Order Complete. Below these is the 'Search and Select Tests' section. On the left, there are dropdown menus for 'Certifying State or National Agency' and 'State Agency', along with a 'Search' button. On the right, there is a section titled 'College / University Required Tests' with a paragraph of text. A button labeled 'EPP Test Requirements' is circled in red.

- Use the following information to register for the appropriate tests:

Test Codes	Test Title	Fee
5712 or 5713	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading	\$90
5722 or 5723	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing	\$90
5732 or 5733	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics	\$90
5751 or 5752	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Combined Test (Reading, Writing and Mathematics)	\$150

Note: The “Combined Test” allows you to take all 3 subtests in one sitting and is more cost effective, however, applicants have the option of taking the subtests in multiple sittings, if preferred.

- Send your scores directly to SCSU (institution code: 3662) by listing the university as a “Score Recipient.”
- Official scores can take up to 20 business days to be reported. Please plan accordingly to ensure your scores will be available in time to meet application deadlines.

Evidence of Testing

- If official Praxis Core, SAT, or ACT scores have already been sent to SCSU, the College of Education should have access to them. Applicants will be notified if they need to provide any additional evidence.
- If scores have not been sent to SCSU, or are not appearing in SCSU’s database, applicants can attach their official PDF score report in an email to coeadmissions@southernct.edu.

Questions or concerns?

Please contact the College of Education Dean’s Office: 203-392-5900 coeadmissions@southernct.edu