

Praxis® Core
Teacher Certification Program for College Graduates (TCPCG)
Neag School of Education, University of Connecticut

According to state law, each person admitted to a teacher education program in Connecticut shall take the **Praxis® Core Academic Skills for Educators** tests in reading, writing, and mathematics OR meet the requirements for a waiver.

How do I know if I am eligible for a waiver?

SAT Waiver	ACT Waiver	GRE Waiver
<i>Available for applicants who:</i> Have a combined score of 1100 on the mathematics and evidence based reading (previously called critical reading) sections, with neither subtest score below 450 Points	<i>Available for applicants who:</i> Score no less than 22 on the English subtest and no less than 19 on the mathematics subtest	<i>Available for applicants who:</i> Combined score of 297 on quantitative reasoning & verbal reasoning tests with no less than a score of 144 in quantitative reasoning and 150 in verbal reasoning, plus a minimum analytic writing score of 4.0.
Note: If you took the ACT prior to Oct. 1989, the SAT prior to 1995 or the GRE prior to 2011, see Basic Skills test Waiver Criteria on https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/Certification/Bureau-of-Certification/News-and-Alerts for passing scores.		
SAT Test Score Request: https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/scores/sending-sat-scores	ACT Test Score Request: https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/scores/sending-your-scores.html	GRE Test Score Request: https://www.ets.org/gre/test-takers/general-test/scores.html

Current UConn students: To see if you qualify for the waiver, look at your ACT or SAT scores in [High School Summary](#) in the Student Administration system. If you qualify for the waiver AND your scores appear in PeopleSoft, you do not have to request test scores.

If you qualify for the waiver and have not submitted ACT, GRE, or SAT scores to UConn, you **MUST** request official scores and have them sent to UConn (GRE/SAT recipient code 3915; ACT recipient code 0604;) prior to entering program.

I do not qualify for a waiver, now what?

View test info on <https://praxis.ets.org/state-requirements/connecticut-tests.html>. Register to take the Praxis Core (see information on next page). **Students will need to submit test scores prior to entering their program.**

Praxis® Core	Can take one, two, or all three at once - Reading: 85 minutes; 56 selected-response questions based on reading passages & statements - Writing: 100 minutes; 40 selected-response questions and two 30-minute essay questions - Math: 90 minutes; 56 selected-response and numeric entry questions (on-screen calculator available)
When & Where	Test Dates: Offered year-round by appointment (Monday - Saturday) Praxis Test Center Locations: Create or sign into your account via the Connecticut Overview - ETS Praxis portal. Select your test, choose the test center option, and input your local ZIP code to see active sites and open dates. Test Center vs. At-Home Testing Testing centers: provide a secure, reliable, and distraction-free environment that allows candidates to focus their attention on demonstrating their knowledge rather than managing testing logistics. At-Home Testing: offers convenience, but also introduces variables that candidates cannot fully control, including internet connectivity, technology failures, environmental distractions, and strict remote-proctoring requirements.

Although there are minimum passing standards, *students do not need to achieve the passing score in order to enter the teaching program*. The program will use the scores diagnostically to determine if students need remediation in any area. However, students should spend time preparing for the tests (see page two for links to free test preparation materials), so we can accurately determine whether you need remediation.

Test #	Test	Passing Score
5713	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading	156
5723	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing	162
5733	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics	150
5752	Core Combined Test (Reading, Writing, and Mathematics)	

Fees	1 test: \$90; 3 tests: \$150
Fee Waiver	Fee waivers may be available for students with demonstrated need that meet the criteria.
Test Accommodations	▪ Test takers with disabilities or health-related needs ▪ Requesting extended test time for test takers whose primary language is not English: Complete Certification of Documentation form, complete Eligibility Form, complete Test Authorization Voucher Request Form. Email or mail the completed Test Authorization Voucher Request Form, the Certification of Documentation Form and the Eligibility Form and email to disability.reg@ets.org.
Score Report Receipt	Score reports are available via your online account. You will receive an email when scores have been posted. Reading or math score results available 10-12 days after testing window closes. Writing scores available 15-17 business days after testing window closes.
Retest	Students <u>do not need to retake the test(s)</u> since passing scores are not needed to enter the program.
Registration	<i>Praxis</i>® registration information, including test sites and dates, is available online: https://praxis.ets.org/state-requirements/connecticut-tests.html. Please follow the steps outlined below to register: ▪ Create your <i>Praxis</i> account ▪ Select the "Register for a <i>Praxis</i> test link" ▪ Select the "I Agree" button ▪ Select the "Continue" button after confirming your personal information ▪ Select the "EPP Test Requirements" button to view a full list of <i>Praxis</i> tests. The Core Reading, Writing, Mathematics and Combined tests will be available in this list. Student tips and practice tests are available on the ETS website. It is suggested that students familiarize themselves with the test prior to taking it. Call 1-800-772-9476 for questions.
Recipient Code	Include the University of Connecticut as a score recipient: Code 3915 . If you did not include UConn as a score recipient, you MUST contact ETS and have them send UConn a score report.

[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 Academic Skills for Educators: Reading](#)
- [Praxis® Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing](#)
- [Praxis® Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics](#)