

Praxis tests have been scheduled by ETS for the following test sessions: **9/18/10, 11/13/10, 1/15/11, 3/12/11, 4/30/11, 6/11/11, and 7/23/11.** Please see the Educational Testing Service (ETS) web site at www.ets.org/praxis to register online and confirm scheduling and availability at our two test centers 1) Newtown, Holy Family Univ., Newtown Campus, Code 17844 and 2) Philadelphia, Holy Family Univ., Code 09357. Contact ETS at 1-800-772-9476 for test availability at both of our campus test centers. All tests may not be available at Holy Family University. Please make sure to request that your final scores are sent to Holy Family University. The Recipient Code for Holy Family University is RA2297. **A one-time, non-refundable registration fee of \$50 covers all paper-based tests taken in the same testing year. (Please note: the registration fee applies only to paper-based tests.) Standby testing is no longer available. All tests must be completed prior to state certification.**

Summary of Praxis tests:

Test Name	Test Code	Recommended Completion Date	Qualifying Score	Length and Cost
PPST: Reading Computerized Reading	0710 or 5710	All Education Students-End of 1st year or prior to formal acceptance into the School of Education	172	1 hr., \$40
PPST: Writing Computerized Writing	0720 or 5720	All Education Students- End of 1st year or prior to formal acceptance into the School of Education	173	1 hr., \$40
PPST: Mathematics Computerized Math	0730 or 5730	All Education Students- End of 1st year or prior to formal acceptance into the School of Education	173	1 hr., \$40
Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge	0511	All K-6 and K-12 cert. areas including: Elementary, Early Childhood, Special Education, Language Students (not 7-12)-End of 2 nd year	150	2 hrs., \$80

Certification Area	Test Code	Test Title	Qualifying Score-PA	Length and Cost
Art (K-12)	0134	Art Content Knowledge	TBD	2 hrs. \$80
Biology (7-12)	0235	Biology: Content Knowledge	147	2 hrs., \$80
Chemistry (7-12)	0245	Chemistry: Content Knowledge	154	2 hrs., \$80
Early Childhood Education	0020	Early Childhood Education	530	2 hrs., \$80
Educational Leadership	0411	Ed. Leadership: Admin. & Supervision	143	2 hrs., \$80
Elementary Education	0011	Elementary Education: Curriculum Instruction, & Assessment	168	2 hrs., \$80
English (7-12)	0041	English Language, Literature, & Composition: Content Knowledge	160	2 hrs., \$80
French (K-12) *Not offered at HF	0174	World Languages: French	162	2 hrs., \$80
Mathematics (7-12)	0061	Mathematics : Content Knowledge (graphing calculator required)	136	2 hrs., \$80
Middle Level (7-9) English Language Arts	0049	MS English Language Arts	163	2 hrs., \$80
Middle Level (7-9) Math	0069	MS Math (graphic, scientific, and four-function calculator allowed)	151	2 hrs., \$80
Middle Level (7-9) Science	0439	MS Science	144	2 hrs., \$80
Middle Level (7-9) Social Studies	0089	MS Social Studies	152	2 hrs., \$80
Reading Specialist (K-12)	0300	Reading Specialist	570	2 hrs., \$80
Social Studies	0081	Social Studies: Content Knowledge	157	2 hrs., \$80
Spanish (K-12) *Not offered at HF	0195	World Languages: Spanish	168	2 hrs., \$80
Special Education	0354	Core Knowledge and Applications	151	2 hrs., \$80

The Praxis Series Information and Registration Bulletin is available online or for download at www.ets.org/praxis. This bulletin contains a wide variety of useful information for test takers including information for students with disabilities, how to register, types of assessments, fees, payment and refund policies, special registration options including Monday testing for religious reasons and special test accommodations, fee waiver requests, information and requests for students whose primary language is not English, and what to expect on the test day. It is recommended that you obtain and read this document thoroughly.

Computerized Praxis PPST Tests

The Computerized versions of the Praxis PPST Writing (5720), Reading (5710), and Mathematics (5730) tests can be taken as an alternative to the written tests by making an appointment through Prometric Testing Center at the Center City Office 601 Walnut Street Curtis Publishing Building Suite 150W, in center city Philadelphia. The phone number is 1-800-853-6773 or 215-238-8410. They are open between 8 am – 10 pm Monday through Thursday, 8-8 pm on Friday and 8-5 on Saturday. Be prepared to give your credit card (Visa, Mastercard or American Express). To pay by check or money order you must stop by in person or mail the payment to the center before you register. You should call for an appointment at least 3-4 weeks in advance for M-F appointments and 6 weeks in advance for Saturday appointments. Additional information and registration is available through the online Praxis Information and Registration Bulletin at www.ets.org/praxis. Cost for one test is \$80, two tests \$120, 3 tests (taken separately but paid at one time) \$160, and for a combined test (3 tests taken at one time) is \$130. You may take each Computerized PPST test once per calendar month up to six times in a 12-month period. If you violate this restriction, the scores from your retest will not be reported and your test fees will not be refunded. This applies even if you cancelled your scores on a test taken previously. Other Prometric testing centers include Conshohocken PA at 100 W. Elm St. suite 300, (610-832-9390), and Laurel Springs, New Jersey 1381 Chews Landing Bldg. 5, (856-228-0387) and Allentown PA (610-791-5320).

Test Preparation Materials The Educational Testing Service has materials available on-line at: www.ets.org/praxis/taag (tests at a glance) or at www.ets.org/praxis/testprep or www.ets.org/praxis/studytips or www.ets.org/praxis/studyplan or www.ets.org/praxis/anxiety

The School of Education also has available to students a program called PLATO in the Center for Academic Enhancement-Second floor of the NE Library, Room L2B (215-637-7700 x 3326) or in the Learning Resource Room at Newtown (x 4010). This allows you to take the three simulated Praxis PPST tests with or without a tutorial. Written test materials are also available from these locations or at the Northeast campus library.

Special Test Accommodations Students with **disabilities** or those requiring special accommodations such as Monday testing or accommodations for takers whose primary language is not English can find information at <http://www.ets.org/praxis/register/disabilities>. Forms will require approval by the ADA officer, Ms. Zoe Gingold, Campus Center 220, extension 3232. **Students whose primary language is not English** may be eligible for additional testing time. Documentation of certification forms for these students can be verified and signed at Holy Family by Dr. Roger Gee in ETC 435, 215-637-7700 x 3575, rgee@holysfamily.edu

Special Test Option for Spanish and French Certification

Foreign Language French and Spanish candidates have the option of taking either the PRAXIS or the ACTFL test. The Foreign Language Latin test is only available through PRAXIS. Candidates for all other Foreign Language areas should take the ACTFL test, which includes a written (when available) and oral exam that is graded on a proficiency scale rather than a point scale. Both the written and oral exams must be taken when available. The minimum proficiency to qualify is Intermediate High - Code 120. Candidates may contact the ACTFL Language Testing office at www.actfl.org or at 914-963-7110.

Pennsylvania Department of Education

Special questions regarding Pennsylvania State Certification, transfer from other states, etc. can be addressed to the Pennsylvania Department of Education at 717-787-3356 (evaluator is available M-F, 8:30-4:30). Additional information and a program designed to help you determine what Praxis tests you require can be found at: http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/testing_requirements/8638/testing_requirements_in_pennsylvania/506841

Praxis testing guidelines revised to extend score validity for In-state candidates to 10 years

Effective on May 1, 2008, the Pennsylvania Department of Education has revised the Praxis score validity from five to *ten years* for candidates educated within the Commonwealth. This pertains to candidates for certification and is applicable to all educators who are currently applying for Pennsylvania Certification. The score must meet the qualifying score in effect on the date the application was received. All candidates whose teacher preparation program was completed outside Pennsylvania must successfully complete the same tests as candidates prepared in the Commonwealth. All tests must be successfully completed within *five years* of the date of application for certification, even when the interstate agreement is in effect.

Changes in PPST Praxis Scoring (January 1, 2009)

The following second method of computing the PPST: **Reading, Writing, and Math** score requirements were effective January 1, 2009. You may choose either method.

- I. The individual PPST requirements are:
 - Reading- Test #10710 written; computerized #5710: score of 172 or better
 - Writing- Test #20720 written; computerized #5720: score of 173 or better
 - Math- Test #10730 written; computerized #5730: score of 173 or betterCurrent total required = 518
- II. A second method of accomplishing the testing requirements is available by achieving a composite test score total of 521, *provided that the following individual minimum PPST scores are met:*
 - Reading- Test #10710 written; computerized #5710: minimum score of 169
 - Writing- Test #20720 written; computerized #5720: minimum score of 170
 - Math- Test #10730 written; computerized #5730: minimum score of 170Composite total required = 521

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