

Praxis Subject Assessment Test Information 2023-2024

Praxis Test Requirements for Program Completion

Both elementary and secondary (5-12 and K-12) teacher candidates with a major(s) and minor(s) in an endorsable subject/content area listed on pages 4-5, are highly recommended to register and take Praxis Subject Assessments tests the semester prior to student teaching. Praxis exams are required for program completion to be eligible for a licensure recommendation for both initial licensure and endorsement candidates.

All <u>teacher candidates</u> are required to achieve a score on the required Praxis Subject Assessments exam(s) in order to demonstrate subject area knowledge by earning a qualifying score on the Montana Assessment of Content Knowledge (MACK) Score to be recommended for licensure. Refer to Page 3 for MACK Score information, Pages 4-5 for Praxis Exam numbers (in parenthesis) and scoring.

All <u>school counseling candidates</u> must achieve a minimum required score of 159 per MSUB policy (effective January 2014). ** The Praxis exam is a requirement of the Capstone class – register to meet course deadlines **

** Montana qualifying Praxis exam scores for <u>all</u> teaching majors <u>and</u> minors in your completed program are required before a licensure recommendation can be made to any state. **

When and how are the tests delivered? www.ets.org/praxis

All Praxis tests are offered in a computer-delivered format and are given by appointment. Most tests are also offered with an at-home option with specific technology and security requirements. MSUB has a testing room located in the College of Education, Disability Support Office, that can be utilized for the Test -at-Home option during business days and hours. You can find additional information for its use on the College of Education website. Some of the tests are offered during specific testing windows while others are offered continuously throughout the year. Therefore, make sure you plan ahead to check the open windows and testing center availability for your specific test.

What are the fees associated with taking the Praxis tests?

There is a fee for each subject assessment test. Most tests are \$130- \$170 and last between two and three hours. To avoid additional fees, make sure to register well in advance of the test date via the ETS website www.ets.org/praxis. There are no additional fees for the Test at Home option.

How do I register?

Register online at the ETS website (www.ets.org/praxis/register). Online registration is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and allows test takers the convenience of rescheduling or canceling a test. You will create an account to register and receive your scores through this site.

Make sure to save your "My Praxis Account" information. Remember that you must use your "My Praxis Account" to receive your scores. Nothing will be mailed to you.

You will be asked for various codes throughout the registration process. The drop-down menus and search functions are very helpful so be sure to use them.

NOTE: You must list MSUB as both the attending institution and as a designated score recipient. If you do not specifically list MSUB as a designated score recipient, the Licensure Officer at MSUB will not receive your scores.

NOTE: Think about where you may be headed when you select designated score recipients. You get four free designated recipients at initial registration, but extra reports ordered later are \$50 each. If you are *not* taking the test in Montana or if you are testing at home, you *will* need to select the Montana Office of Public Instruction as a designated recipient. If you *are* taking the test at a Montana site, you do *not* need to list OPI as a designated recipient.

When and how will I receive my test scores?

You will only receive your test scores through your Praxis account on the ETS website. Scores are available anywhere between 7-28 days after the test date depending on the test and delivery format. When you log on and view your scores, save and/or print the pdf document for your permanent records. You may need these scores if you move to another state or if MSUB does not receive a copy. These scores are available online for ten years, but we still recommend keeping a copy in your permanent records.

How should I prepare for the test?

The ETS **Study Companions** for each exam found in the preparation materials holds a wealth of information. The ETS website also offers resources such as videos, study plans, low-cost Praxis test preparation materials and interactive practice tests for most subjects. Make sure you follow the ETS website instructions regarding test day procedures including admission tickets, valid identification, and electronic devices.

Disability Accommodations and Fee Waivers

Accommodations refer to: https://www.ets.org/praxis/register/disabilities/ for specific information. Submit your request as early as possible, as this can take about 6 weeks once the request and complete paperwork has been received and an additional 6 weeks if additional documentation is needed.

Fee Waivers refer to: https://www.ets.org/praxis/site/test-takers/register/fee-waivers.html

Can I retake the exam?

Yes, any Praxis exam can be retaken, but "parts" of the exam cannot be retaken. If retaken, it will be the entire exam. The test may only be retaken on a date that is at least 28 days after the previous test date even if you canceled your score.



MSUB teacher candidates must meet the minimum content knowledge requirements described below to be recommended for licensure/endorsement. This multiple-measure assessment for licensure began in 2006 as a result of dialogue and consensus between the Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) and Montana educator preparation programs.

Montana Assessment of Content Knowledge Verification

Teacher candidates must earn at least 7 points on the Montana Assessment of Content Knowledge prior to recommendation for licensure/endorsement. The possible range for the Content Knowledge Score (CKS) is 0-10. Teacher candidates earning fewer than 7 CKS points or who score zero on any of the three rubric components shall not be recommended for licensure/endorsement. For candidates receiving a score of 1* on rubric components 1, 2, or 3, the program will conduct a further individualized review of the candidate's content knowledge and teaching skills, based on established policy, to ensure that the candidate merits recommendation for licensure/endorsement.

1. Assessment of Content Knowledge Coursework GPA

The range for awarding points is 0-4 and will be calculated as follows:

GPA	Points
3.50 – 4.00	4
3.00 – 3.49	3
2.65 – 2.99	2
2.00 – 2.64	1*
Below 2.00	0

2. Assessment of Content Knowledge Demonstrated During Student Teaching/ Clinical Practice
The range for awarding points is 0-3 and will be calculated as follows:

Descriptor	Points
Knowledge is Advanced	3
Knowledge is Proficient	2
Knowledge is Basic	1*
Knowledge is Insufficient	0

Note: The assessment is completed by a cooperating teacher, college or university supervisor, or faculty member.

3. Assessment of Content Knowledge on appropriate Praxis Subject Assessments
The range for awarding points is 0-3 and will be calculated as follows:

Score Range	Points
Meets/Exceeds MT score	3
At least 90 % of MT score	2
At least 80 % of MT score	1*
Below 80 % of MT score	0

Required Praxis Tests (test exam numbers are in parenthesis)

AGRICULTURAL	
EDUCATION (5701)	
Score Range	Points
157 - 200	3
141-156	2
126-140	1*
≤125	0

ART	
(5134)	
Score Range	Points
158 - 200	3
142-157	2
126-141	1*
≤125	0

BIOLOGY	
(5236)	
Score Range	Points
154 - 200	3
139-153	2
123-138	1*
≤122	0

BUSINESS EDUCATION (5101)	
Score Range	Points
154 - 200	3
139-153	2
123-138	1*
≤122	0

CHEMISTRY	
(5246)	
Score Range	Points
146 - 200	3
131-145	2
117-130	1*
≤116	0

EARLY CHILDHOOD	
EDUCATION (5025)	
Score Range	Points
156 - 200	3
140-155	2
125-139	1*
≤124	0

EARTH and SPACE SCIENCE (5572)	
Score Range	Points
154 - 200	3
139-153	2
123-138	1*
≤122	0

ECONOMICS	
(5911)	
Score Range	Points
150 - 200	3
135-149	2
120-134	1*
≤119	0

ELEMENTARY	
EDUCATION (5018)	
Score Range	Points
163 - 200	3
147-162	2
130-146	1*
≤129	0

ENGLISH LANGUAGE	
ARTS (5038)	
Score Range	Points
167 - 200	3
150-166	2
134-149	1*
≤133	0

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES (5122)	
Score Range	Points
148 - 200	3
133-147	2
118-132	1*
≤117	0

FRENCH (5174)	
Score Range	Points
162 - 200	3
146-161	2
130-145	1*
≤129	0

GENERAL SCIENCE (5436)	
Score Range	Points
141 - 200	3
127 - 140	2
113-126	1*
≤112	0

GENERAL SOCIAL STUDIES (5081)	
Score Range	Points
155 - 200	3
140 -154	2
124-139	1*
≤123	0

GEOGRAPHY (5921)	
Score Range	Points
155 - 200	3
140-154	2
124-139	1*
≤123	0

GERMAN (5183)	
Score Range	Points
163 - 200	3
147-162	2
130-146	1*
≤129	0

GOVERNMENT/ POLITICAL SCIENCE (5931)	
Score Range	Points
149 - 200	3
134-148	2
119-133	1*
≤118	0
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HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION (5857)	
Score Range	Points
155 - 200	3
140-154	2
124-139	1*
≤123	0

WORLD & US HISTORY (5941)	
Score Range	Points
146 - 200	3
131-145	2
117-130	1*
≤116	0

INDUSTRIAL TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION (5051)	
Score Range	Points
154 - 200	3
139-153	2
123-138	1*
≤122	0

LATIN	
(5601)	
Score Range	Points
152 - 200	3
137 - 151	2
122-136	1*
≤121	0

SCHOOL LIBRARIAN	
(5312)	
Score Range	Points
154 - 200	3
139 - 153	2
123 - 138	1*
≤122	0

MATHEMATICS (5165)	
Score Range	Points
159 - 200	3
143 - 158	2
127 - 142	1*
≤126	0

MUSIC (5113)	
Score Range	Points
152 - 200	3
137-151	2
122-136	1*
≤121	0

PHYSICS	
(5266)	
Score Range	Points
145 - 200	3
131-144	2
116-130	1*
≤115	0

PSYCHOLOGY (5391)	
Score Range	Points
154 - 200	3
139-153	2
123-138	1*
≤122	0

SOCIOLOGY (5952)	
Score Range	Points
154 - 200	3
139-153	2
123-138	1*
≤122	0

SPANISH (5195)	
Score Range	Points
168 - 200	3
151-167	2
134-150	1*
≤133	0

SPECIAL EDUCATION (5354)	
Score Range	Points
159 - 200	3
143-158	2
127-142	1*
≤126	0

TCHG READING K-12 (5206)	
Score Range	Points
156 - 200	3
140 -155	2
125-139	1*
≤124	0

THEATRE	
(5641)	
Score Range	Points
148 - 200	3
133-147	2
118-132	1*
≤117	0

COMPUTER SCIENCE (5952)	
Score Range	Points
149 - 200	3
134-148	2
119-133	1*
≤118	0

SCHOOL COUNSELOR (5422)	
Score Range	Points
159 - 200	3
143-158	2
127-142	1*
≤126	0