

Preparing for Your PRAXIS Test

Preparation programs work hard to provide extra assistance to students who are preparing to take a *Praxis*® licensure test. MSUB offers a class for Praxis preparation **EDU 494 SM: Praxis Studies, 1 credit, pass/fail, contact Alan Christensen for information regarding Praxis preparation: achristensen@msubillings.edu, COE Rm. 204.**

ETS offers [multiple resources](#) test takers can assemble to build their skill set and prepare to take the test, including study companions, customized study plans, interactive practice tests and sample questions: see <https://www.ets.org/praxis/>, [Prepare for a Test](#)

These key steps are imperative to build your core skills and confidence to test:

- Start with a thorough review of the Study Companion so you can learn what topics and concepts are covered by the test.
- Complete the [Study Plan](#), paying particular attention to the topics you tend to have difficulty with.
- If you are retaking a test, you should check the score report to determine in which category, or categories, of the test the most points were lost. Improvement in these areas will help you gain the maximum points when you retest. Although these areas deserve extra attention, you should still prepare comprehensively for all categories of the test. A better performance in all areas of the test can help support a passing performance.
- Gather resources listed on the study plan or resource list and begin review and preparation, being sure to allow ample time to study all areas.
- Responding to the open-ended discussion questions in Section Six of the [Study Companion](#) also can be effective. Doing so will prompt you to think deeply about the test content and connect this content to the courses taken in their preparation program.
- You should review sample questions from the Study Companion and review rationales given for the correct answers, analyzing the content covered by each question.
- Following comprehensive study, you should take an interactive practice test and review category performance. Then review correct answer rationales, analyze content areas covered for each question and continue studies in any weaker content categories.
- View the videos [Preparing to Take a Praxis Test and What to Expect on the Day of Your Test](#). These preparation videos allow you to prepare effectively for time management and assist with your actual testing.

**Remember when you have completed your testing, save a paper copy of your official score report and place with documents you know where they are always. MUSB cannot provide copies of score reports **