

**THE PRAXIS SERIES: TEACHER LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION TESTS  
SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY  
GUIDELINES AND INFORMATION**

**REQUIREMENTS**

- *Education Majors*: All PRAXIS tests must be taken and passed **prior to student teaching**. If you will be certified in more than one content area, the content area test of your major must be passed prior to student teaching.
- “*Certification only*”, *second degree or Masters level initial certification students*: All tests must be passed **prior to formal admission** to any teacher certification program.

**PPST**

- As soon as the majority of general education courses are completed (**48-60 credits**), take the PPST one-hour assessments in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics.
- These are basic skills tests. Therefore, schedule the required six credits of college level mathematics courses, and college writing prior to taking the PPSTs.
- These tests **must be passed before taking 300** or above level education courses.
- **Exceptions**: “*Certification only*”, *second degree or Masters level initial certification students* must pass these assessments **prior to formal admission** to any teacher certification program.
- Composite scores are accepted. They currently stand as:

Math	171 minimum
Reading	171 minimum
Writing	170 minimum

**Composite score required 521**

- An option for individual PPST scores is allowed. They currently stand as:

Math	173
Reading	172
Writing	173

**Total score required 518**

**PRAXIS 0511 Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge**

- The following programs require their students to take the test **prior to methods or professional semester courses**: elementary, early childhood and K-12 certification programs (art, business education, environmental education, modern languages, and special education).
- The following students must pass this test **prior to formal admission** to any teacher certification program: “certification only”, second degree or Masters level initial certification students.

**ON-LINE REGISTRATION**

- All PRAXIS tests **must be scheduled on-line.**
- See <http://www.ets.org/praxis> for test dates and for registration information
- The following information may save you some time when completing the form:

**Test Center Name:** Shippensburg University

**Test Center Code:** 01712

**Attending Institution:** Shippensburg University Code A2657

**Designated Score Recipient(s):** Shippensburg University R2657

PA Department of Education R8033

- ***If you register online, your score report will be available by web on the evening that score reports are being mailed.***

**FEES**

Registration Fee \$50.00 (ONE TIME PER YEAR)

Late Registration Fee \$45.00

Emergency Registration Fee \$75.00

1-hour PPST \$40.00 per test

2-hour Subject Areas \$80.00 per test

Middle Level Tests \$90.00 per test

**MAJOR AND CERTIFICATION FIELDS**

102 Art	119 Reading Specialist	401 Biology
104 Business Ed	121 Social Studies	403 Chemistry
106 English	201 Early Childhood Ed	405 Earth/Space
107 Environmental Ed	202 Elementary Ed	408 Gen Science
113 Mathematics Ed	305 French	411 Physics
118 Reading Ed	314 Spanish	704 Special Ed

**Session 1: 1-hour test**

- 0710 PPST Reading (may substitute 5710 - computer version\*\* - \$80)  
0730 PPST Math (may substitute 5730 - computer version\*\* - \$80)

**Session 1: 2-hour test**

- 0011 Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment  
(may substitute 5011 - computer version\*\* - \$110)

**Session 2: 1-hour test**

- 0720 PPST Writing (may substitute 5720 - computer version\*\* - \$80)

**EITHER Session 1 or 2: 2-hour test**

- 0134 Art: Content Knowledge  
0235 Biology: Content Knowledge (*calculator prohibited*)  
0101 Business Ed (*calculator allowed*)  
0245 Chemistry: Content Knowledge (*calculator prohibited*)  
0020 Early Childhood Education  
0571 Earth & Space Science: Content Knowledge (*calculator prohibited*)  
0411 Educational Leadership: Administration & Supervision  
0041 English  
0830 Environmental Education  
0511 Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge  
(*Required for K-6, PK-4, 4-8, PK-8 special education and all K-12 Instructional Areas*)  
0435 General Science: Content Knowledge  
0061 Mathematics: Content Knowledge (*graphing calculator required*)  
0049 Middle School English/Language Arts (may substitute 5049 - computer version\*\* - \$125)

- 0069 Middle School Mathematics (*calculator allowed*)
- 0439 Middle School Science (*calculator prohibited*)
- 0089 Middle School Social Studies (may substitute 5089 - computer version\*\* - \$125)
- 0265 Physics: Content Knowledge (*calculator prohibited*)
- 0300 Reading Specialist
- 0420 School Guidance and Counseling (Elementary)
- 0420 School Guidance and Counseling (Secondary)
- 0081 Social Studies: Content Knowledge
- 0354 Special Education (*Educational of Exceptional Students*) - (may substitute 5354 - computer version\*\* - \$110)

**\*\*Computer Only Tests**

- 5174 French: Content Knowledge - \$140
- 5195 Spanish: Content Knowledge - \$140

***\*\*Computerized Testing***

· Computerized Praxis tests may be taken on acceptable dates by making an appointment at any Prometric Testing Centers. All centers are listed on the ETS web site.

<http://etsis4.ets.org/tcenter/tcenter.jsp> The closest ones in PA are:

- o Prometric Testing Center, 1100 N. Mountain Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112 Phone: 717-652-0143
- o Prometric Testing Center, 1864 Fruitville Pike (K-Mart Shopping Center), Lancaster, PA 17601 Phone: 717-392-2193
- o Prometric Testing Center, 2300 E Market Street, Village Green Shopping Center, Suite 3, York, PA 17402 Phone: 717-755-7471

***SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS***

· If you have learning differences documented by a school psychologist and want assistance, you may apply for testing accommodations for the PRAXIS tests. This must be done through the Office of Disabilities Services in Horton Hall 120. Contact Paula Madey at 477-1364. Once paperwork is

completed, you send the required information to ETS. More information is available at <http://www.ets.org/praxis/register/disabilities>

· If English is not your first language, you may apply for special testing accommodations. Shippensburg is one of the test sites for English Language Learners testing. More information is available at <http://www.ets.org/praxis/register/accommodations/plne>