

## TeachLSUS PRAXIS Requirements

In order to be accepted into Louisiana State University Shreveport's **TeachLSUS** program you must successfully complete the **PRAXIS I** exam and the appropriate **PRAXIS II Content Area** exam. **All exams must be completed as a part of the application process.**

**PRAXIS I:** PRAXIS I Series\* is a computer-based assessment measuring the basic academic skills vital to all teacher candidates. The exam is administered though at-home testing as well as available by appointment at the BPCC Prometric Testing Center (318-678-6350) in Bossier City, LA. Please visit the Educational Testing Service (ETS) website ([www.ets.org/praxis](http://www.ets.org/praxis)) to register for the exam. NOTE: IF YOU HAVE A MASTER'S or TERMINAL DEGREE, AN ACT COMPOSITE SCORE OF 22 OR HIGHER, or AN SAT COMPOSITE SCORE OF 1100 (1030 PRIOR TO MARCH 2016), YOU ARE EXEMPT FROM PRAXIS I.

There are three sections to the PRAXIS I test\*, which can be taken separately or during the same testing session:

Section	Computerized Test Code/ Qualifying Score Prior to 9/1/14	Computerized Test Code/Qualifying Score Effective 9/1/19
Reading	Code: 5712                      Score: 156	Code: 5713                      Score: 156
Writing	Code: 5722                      Score: 162	Code: 5723                      Score: 162
Math	Code: 5732                      Score: 150	Code: 5733                      Score: 150

\* After 9/1/14 the Praxis I test changed from Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) to Core Academic Skills for Educators.

**PRAXIS II:** TeachLSUS participants must also pass the appropriate content-specific PRAXIS II exam in the area in which they will pursue certification. **The area in which you wish to teach determines which Praxis II exam you take.** TeachLSUS offers certification in Elementary and Secondary Education.

- Candidates seeking **Elementary Education Certification** (Grades 1-5) must pass Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001).
- Candidates seeking **Secondary Education Certification** (Grades 6-12) must pass the secondary subject area exam(s) for the subject(s) which they hope to teach. See specific exam codes below.

Content Area	Test Title	Computer Test Code	Qualifying Score
Biology (Grades 6-12)	Biology: Content Knowledge	5235	150
Chemistry (Grades 6-12)	Chemistry: Content Knowledge	5245	151
Physics (Grades 6-12)	Physics: Content Knowledge	5265	141
English (Grades 6-12)	English Language, Literature, and Composition: Content Knowledge (Prior to 9/1/14)	5041	160
	English Language Arts: Content & Analysis (Effective 9/1/14)	5039	168
Social Studies (Grades 6-12)	Social Studies: Content Knowledge and Interpretation	5086	153
Mathematics (Grades 6-12)	Mathematics: Content Knowledge (Prior to 9/1/14)	5061	135
	Mathematics: Content Knowledge (Effective 9/1/14)	5161	160

Teacher Certification Area	New Praxis Exams	Passing Scores	Required
Elementary 1-5, Early Childhood PK-3, Early Interventionist Birth-5, Mild/Moderate 1-5, Hearing Impaired, Visually Impaired, Significant Disabilities	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (5018)	163	Effective 9/1/15 Through 8/31/17
	<b>OR</b>		
	Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001)	*	
	Reading/Language Arts (5002)	157	
	Mathematics (5003)	157	
	Social Studies (5004)	155	
	Science (5005)	159	
<b>After 8/31/17 Applicants listed below must take the Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001)</b>			
Elementary 1-5, Early Childhood PK-3, Early Interventionist Birth-5, Mild/Moderate 1-5, Hearing Impaired, Visually Impaired, Significant Disabilities	Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001)	*	Mandatory 9/1/17
	Reading/Language Arts (5002)	157	
	Mathematics (5003)	157	
	Social Studies (5004)	155	
	Science (5005)	159	

\*The Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001) consists of four separately timed subjects as listed above.

**TeachLSUS** needs your Praxis I and Praxis II scores before you can be fully admitted into our program. Because of state requirements, **TeachLSUS** cannot make any exceptions to this policy. Therefore, it is REQUIRED that if you have not previously passed Praxis I and Praxis II, you must successfully complete all exams before you can be fully accepted into the program.

**TESTING LOCATIONS/REGISTRATION:** The **Praxis I** exam offers at-home testing and testing by appointment at the BPC Prometric Testing Center (318-678-6350) and should be taken as soon as possible. The **PRAXIS II** test will be offered on the dates listed on their website. You must **pre-register** for the exam online at [www.ets.org/praxis](http://www.ets.org/praxis). If you reside outside of these areas, please visit the ETS website at [www.ets.org/praxis](http://www.ets.org/praxis) for information on local Praxis testing sites. When registering for Praxis exams, please list **LSUS (Code #6355)** and the **Louisiana Department of Education (Code #7330)** as score recipients.

**TESTING COSTS:** The PRAXIS I and PRAXIS II tests cost approximately \$130 - \$180 each. Information about specific test costs can be found online at <https://www.ets.org/praxis/register/fees>.

**PRACTICING FOR THE PRAXIS EXAMS:** For assistance with the Praxis exams, candidates can visit the ETS website at [www.ets.org/praxis/la](http://www.ets.org/praxis/la) and click on the links listed under "Preparation Resources."

Practice booklets for Praxis I and Praxis II can be purchased from Barnes & Noble and through [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org).