

# Teacher Education Program Guide

## Phase 1 Freshman Year

- Complete all General Education requirements (except for SAGE 450)
- May take 200 level EDU courses
- Choose a core area concentration - take course work as defined by your major
- Study for Praxis Core Academic Skills Test
- Maintain a 2.75 GPA

## Phase 2 Sophomore Year

- Declare major
- Take and pass Praxis Core Academic Skills Test (composite score) 468
  - You may qualify for an exemption. Refer to the information at the end of this page.
- Complete your Professional Studies coursework and have a 3.0 GPA to apply for admission to the program
- Prepare your packet for admission into the Teacher Education Program by OCT 1 or March 1 when the above requirements are completed.
- Take care to know and understand the Dispositions of a Learner Centered Professional Teacher
- Complete all Field experiences as indicated in your courses.

## Phase 3 Junior Year

- Upon admission into the program, begin the Pedagogical Phase of your program.
- Maintain a 3.0 GPA
- NO "C" grades
- Take Praxis II and/or Pearson Foundations of Reading and General Curriculum Tests as indicated by specific courses. Must have Passing cores as indicated by the state before entering Teacher Candidacy and the student teaching phase
- Complete all field experiences as indicated in your courses.
- Keep your disposition reports at a high level
- Complete the packet for Application to Student Teaching by October 1 or March 1
- Complete your Graduation Audit
- Complete Pre-clinical requirements for student teaching

## Phase 4 Senior Year

- Student Teaching requirements
- edTPA
- Application for Graduation

## Exemptions for the Praxis Core Academic Skills Test

You do **NOT** have to take any of the Praxis Core tests if you have:

- SAT score of 1100 (Verbal and Math only) (**Taken prior to March 2016**)
- SAT score of 1170 (Verbal and Math only) (**Taken after March 2016**)
- ACT combined score of 24

**However , if you have:**

- SAT Math score of 550 (**Taken prior to March 2016**) or ACT math score of 24- you do NOT have to take the Praxis Core Mathematics test.
- SAT Verbal score of 550 (**Taken prior to March 2016**) or ACT English test score of 24- you do NOT have to take the Praxis Core Reading or Praxis Core Writing tests.
- SAT Math score of 570 (**Taken after March 2016**) or ACT math score of 24- you do NOT have to take the Praxis Core Mathematics test.
- SAT Verbal score of 600 (**Taken after March 2016**) or ACT English test score of 24- you do NOT have to take the Praxis Core Reading or Praxis Core Writing tests.

**How do I register?**

Register online with a credit ([www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org)) or call: 1-800-775-9476

**Information for registration:**

- Name of institution attended:
  - SAU CODE 5214
  - NC DPI Teacher Licensure: R7846

**What tests do I need to take?**

You will need to take the Core Academic Skills for Educators tests, which consists of Reading, Writing and Mathematics. The registration codes for these tests are as follows:

- Reading 5712
- Writing 5722
- Mathematics 5732
- Combined Test 5751

**What scores do I need to obtain to pass the tests?**

In NC, passing scores for the Core Academic Skills for Educator tests are as follows:

- Reading 156
- Writing 162
- Mathematics 150
- **Composite Score 468**

**When do I need to take the Praxis Core?**

Typically, you take the Praxis Core tests during your sophomore year or ASAP for transfer students.

**How much do the tests cost?**

- Core Reading (5712) \$90
- Core Writing (5722) \$90
- Core Mathematics (5732) \$90
- 1 Test: \$90
- 3 Tests: \$150

You may take all three tests at the same time by selecting Core Academic Skills for Educators:

- Combined Test (Reading, Writing and Mathematics (5751).
- Scores will be reported by individual test (5712, 5722, 5732).
- See ETS website for fee waiver information.

**What can I do to prepare?**

Refer to the following websites:

[www.ets.org/praxis](http://www.ets.org/praxis)

[www.ets.org/praxis/testprep](http://www.ets.org/praxis/testprep)

[www.learningexpresshub.com](http://www.learningexpresshub.com)

[www.praxistutorial.com](http://www.praxistutorial.com)