

BASIC SKILLS TESTING REQUIREMENT

All applicants to the professional program for teacher certification at CCSU must submit basic skills test scores in reading, writing, and mathematics as part of the application to the professional program submittedin Task Stream. Beginning teachers in all content areas must take all three *Praxis*® Core Academic Skills for Educators (Core) tests or one of the other State Board-approved tests (SAT®, ACT®, *GRE*® General Test) to be admitted to an educator preparation program.

Evidence of Testing

Students must submit credible evidence of the basic skills test(s) taken, the testing date(s), and the scores earned. This evidence must be submitted <u>by the application deadline</u> as part of the Task Stream application to the professional program. Any combination of the following forms of evidence are acceptable:

- o official test score report(s) showing test, score(s) earned, and date of testing;
- o a Banner web printout showing SAT or ACT scores and test date; or
- o a copy of the high school transcript showing SAT or ACT scores and test date.

Praxis Core Tests

The Praxis Core tests are offered at different computer-delivered testing sites in Connecticut (Glastonbury, Hamden, Hartford, Litchfield, and Norwalk). The Reading and Mathematics subtests are each 2 hours long and are comprised of mostly multiple-choice questions. The Writing subtest is 2.5 hours long and contains multiple-choice and essay questions. All three subtests can be taken at the same time in a combined 5 hour testing session or students can elect to take only one or two subtests at a time. More registration information is available on the ETS website (www.ets.org/praxis/register).

Test appointments can be made:

- Online using a credit/debit card or PayPal account, or
- By Mailing in a completed *Test Authorization Voucher Request* form including credit/debit card information, check, or money order

When registering for the tests, students should have their scores reported directly to CCSU by listing **R3898** as a "Designated Score Recipient."

Code	Test Name	Fee
5752	Core Academic Skills for Educators: <i>Combined Test</i> (Reading, Writing, & Mathematics)	\$150
5713	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading	\$90
5723	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing	\$90
5733	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics	\$90