

Praxis Core exams

The State of Iowa Board of Educational Examiners (BOEE) and Iowa State University requires an assessment of basic skills in order to be admitted into a state approved Educator Preparation Program.

Visit the [ETS Praxis](#) site for information on:

- A description of *Praxis* Core scheduling
- Description on taking *Praxis*
- *Praxis* preparation materials
- Fees

The *Praxis* Core* tests will consist of three sections:

- 5713 – Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading
- 5723 – Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing
- 5733 – Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics

*If you are planning to register for all three *Praxis* Core tests at once, register for Test Number 5752 Core Academic Skills for Educators: Combined Test.

When you register, list **Iowa State University** as a score recipient. Iowa State University's code is **6306**. This will ensure Iowa State University receives your scores promptly.

The following are the required scores for each of the sections

- Core: Reading 156
- Core: Writing 162
- Core: Mathematics 150

Students wanting to apply to admission to the Educator Preparation Program are required to take the *Praxis* Core. If there are extenuating circumstances or information you would like considered, please talk with your adviser.

Timing

It is best to take *Praxis* Core once you have taken some general education courses that increase your reading, writing, and mathematical knowledge base.

The preferred time period is at the end of your first year of college. You can take *Praxis* Core while you are taking courses at a community college.

Exam prep

ETS offers free study companions for the three test areas as well as more specific study aids for the math exam in partnership with Kahn Academy.

- [Reading study companion](#)
- [Writing study companion](#)
- [Math study companion](#)
- [Math instructional support](#) (videos by Khan Academy)