Praxis Subject Assessment (formerly Praxis II)

The Praxis Subject Assessment assesses content knowledge in the subject the teacher candidate will teach and is a requirement for initial licensure.

In addition, the Praxis Subject Assessment is a requirement for student teaching for certain JMU teacher education programs. Teacher education candidates will need to consult their education program advisor for Praxis Subject Assessment program requirements.

Changes in the specialty area tests may occur over the next several years. Teacher candidates should have the most recent information before registering for the test. Information on the Praxis Subject Assessment special area tests prescribed by the Virginia Board of Education can be found in the following link: VDOE PRAXIS Subject Assessment Requirements

Massanutten Regional Library Practice of Testing Skills: LearningExpress Library

Praxis Subject Assessment Preparation from ETS

PRAXIS Subject Assessment Information and Registration

JMU Test Code: 5392 Use the JMU test code when registering for the PRAXIS Subject Assessment. JMU will not receive test scores unless the code is indicated

Note: Please keep a paper copy of your score report to submit with your licensure application.

There are a limited number of fee waivers available for ETS tests each year for those that meet all eligibility criteria.

Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment (VCLA)

The VCLA test is a reading and writing test and is required for initial Virginia teacher licensure.

Passing scores for the VCLA:
- Reading Code 091, passing score is 235
- Writing Code 092, passing score is 235
- Composite score of 470 (combined reading and writing scores)
- If you wish to take both subtests in one appointment, register for both of them using the codes above

VCLA Practice Tests

VCLA Registration

Note: Please keep a paper copy of your score report to submit with your licensure application.
Reading for Virginia Educators (RVE)

The RVE is a reading assessment prescribed by the Virginia Board of Education for individuals seeking the following endorsements unless the exemption criteria are met:

1. an initial Virginia license with the following endorsements: Early/Primary Education prek-3, Elementary Education prek-6, Special Education- General Curriculum, Special Education- Hearing Impairments, and Special Education-Visual Impairments;

   Test Code 5306; passing score: 157

2. an endorsement as a reading specialist.

   Test Code 5304; passing score: 162.

Registration for RVE

JMU Test Code: 5392

Use JMU test code when registering for the RVE. JMU will not receive test scores unless code is indicated.

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