

South Carolina's Required Examinations

Praxis II: Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT)

The Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) is required to receive initial certification except for PACE and ABCTE applicants who must meet the PLT requirement during their alternative certification process. Out-of-state applicants holding a current, standard credential can be certified at the initial level and meet the PLT requirement during the initial three-year certification period.

Area of Certification	Required Examination	Score
All Early Childhood and Elementary Certificates	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades K-6 (0522)	165
All Middle Level Certificates	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 5-9 (0523)	165
All Secondary Certificates	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0524)	165
All K-12 Certificates	Select one of the three tests listed above. (0522, 0523, or 0524)	165

Praxis II: Subject Assessments/Specialty Area Tests

Area of Certification	Required Specialty Examination	Score
Adjunct Instructor	Test requirements based upon eligibility. More information	
Administration to include: Elementary Principal, Elementary Supervisor, Secondary Principal, Secondary Supervisor, Administrator, Vocational Center Director and Superintendent. (Either test is acceptable.)	Education Leadership: Administration and Supervision (0410) (Replaced by test 0411 beginning in September 2010.) or Education Leadership: Administration and Supervision (0411) (Beginning in September 2010)	590 145
Agriculture	No exam available *	No Score
Fine Arts-Art, Art Education	Art: Art Making (0131) and Art: Content Knowledge (0133)	155 149
Biology	Biology and General Science (0030)	570
Business and Marketing Technology (Either test is acceptable until 1/1/2012.)	Business Education (0101) (Beginning September 2010) Business Education (0100) (Discontinued in July 2010)	154 540
Chemistry	Chemistry, Physics and General Science (0070)	540
Dance	No exam available *	No Score
Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing	Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students (0271)	161
Early Childhood Education	The Education of Young Children (0021)	158
Economics	Social Studies: Content (0081) and Social Studies: Interpretation of Materials (0083)	158 160
Elementary Education	Elementary Ed:Curriculum Instruction and Assessment (0011) Paper or Elementary Ed:Curriculum Instruction and Assessment(5011)Computer and in addition to one of the above Elementary Ed: Content Area Exercises (0012)	164 164 145
Emotional Disabilities (Either 0353 or 0354 is acceptable until 1/1/2012.)	Education of Exceptional Students: Core Content Knowledge (0353) or Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications (0354) and in addition to one of the above Special Education: Teaching Students with Behavior Disorders (0371)	150 151 153
English	English Lang. Lit, & Comp: Content Knowledge (0041) and English Lang. Lit & Comp: Essays (0042)	162 150
English for Speakers of Other Languages (Either test is acceptable.)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (0360) (Replaced by test 0361 beginning in September 2010) or English to Speakers of Other Languages (0361) (Beginning in September 2010.)	540 144
Family and Consumer Science	Family and Consumer Sciences (0121)	148
French (Either testing option is acceptable for certification until 1/1/2012.)	Praxis World Languages: French (5174) (Beginning September 2010) or both of the following tests French: Content Knowledge (0173) (Discontinued in July 2010) and French: Productive Language Skills (0171) (Discontinued in July 2010)	162 160 166
German (Either testing option is acceptable for certification until 1/1/2012.)	Praxis World Languages: German (5183) (Beginning September 2010) or both of the following tests German: Content Knowledge (0181) (Discontinued in July 2010) and German: Productive Language Skills (0182) (Discontinued July 2010)	163 151 181
Geography	Social Studies: Content (0081) and Social Studies: Interpretation of Materials (0083)	158 160
Government	Social Studies: Content (0081) and	158

	Social Studies: Interpretation of Materials (0083)	160
Guidance (Elementary and Secondary)	School Guidance and Counseling (0420)	550
Health	Health Education (0550)	680
History	Social Studies: Content (0081)	158
	and Social Studies: Interpretation of Materials (0083)	160
Industrial Technology Education	Technology Education (0050)	570
Japanese	No exam available *	No Score
Latin	No exam available *	No Score
Learning Disabilities (Either 0353 or 0354 is acceptable until 1/1/2012.)	Education of Exceptional Students: Core Content Knowledge (0353)	150
	or Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications (0354)	151
	and in addition to one of the above Education of Exceptional Students: Learning Disabilities (0382)	158
Mathematics	Mathematics: Content Knowledge (0061)	131
	and Mathematics: Proofs, Models and Problems, Part 1 (0063)	137
Media Specialist/Library Science	Library Media Specialist (0311)	151
Mental Disabilities (Either 0353 or 0354 is acceptable until 1/1/2012.)	Education of Exceptional Students: Core Content Knowledge (0353)	150
	or Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications (0354)	151
	and in addition to one of the above Special Education : Teaching Students with Mental Retardation (0321)	143
Middle Level Language Arts	Middle Level Language Arts (0049)	155
	or both of the following tests English Lang. Lit, & Comp: Content Knowledge (0041)	162
	and English Lang. Lit & Comp: Essays (0042)	150
Middle Level Mathematics	Middle Level Mathematics (0069)	149
	or both of the following tests Mathematics: Content Knowledge (0061)	131
	and Mathematics: Proofs, Models and Problems, Part 1 (0063)	137
Middle Level Science	Middle Level Science (0439)	145
	or Biology and General Science (0030)	570
	or Chemistry, Physics and General Science (0070)	540
Middle Level Social Studies	Middle Level Social Studies (0089)	150
	or both of the following tests Social Studies: Content (0081)	158
	and Social Studies: Interpretation of Materials (0083)	160
Montessori	Test requirements based upon eligibility. More Information	
Multicategorical Special Education (Either testing option is acceptable for certification until 1/1/2012.)	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Mild-to-moderate Applications (0543)	158
	or both of the following tests Education of Exceptional Students: Mild to Moderate Disabilities (0542)	165
	and Education of Exceptional Students: Core Content Knowledge (0353)	150
Fine Arts-Music Music Education-Choral Music Education-Instrumental Music Education-Piano Music Education-Voice Music Education-Violin	Music: Content Knowledge (0113)	151
	and Music: Concepts and Processes (0111)	145
Online Teaching	Test requirements based upon eligibility. More information	
Physical Education	Physical Education: Content Knowledge (0091)	146
	and Physical Education: Movement Forms–Video Evaluation (0093)	160
Physics	Chemistry, Physics and General Science (0070)	540
Psychology	Psychology (0390)	720
Reading: These areas will be available until 1/1/2012 for worksheets requested prior to 7/1/2010. Reading Teaching Reading Consultant Reading Coordinator or Director Reading Clinician	Introduction to the Teaching of Reading (0200) (Discontinued in September of 2010)	560
	or Teaching Reading (0204) (Beginning September 2010)	159
	Literacy: These areas will be issued for worksheets requested after July 1, 2010. Literacy Teacher Literacy Coach Literacy Specialist	Teaching Reading (0204) (Beginning September 2010)

School Psychologist	School Psychologist (0401)	165
Science	Biology and General Science (0030)	570
	or Chemistry, Physics and General Science (0070)	540
Severe Disabilities (Either testing option is acceptable for certification until 1/1/2012.)	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Severe to Profound Applications (0545)	158
	or both of the following tests Education of Exceptional Students: Core Content Knowledge (0353)	150
	and Severe to Profound Disabilities (0544)	148
Social Studies	Social Studies: Content (0081)	158
	and Social Studies: Interpretation of Materials (0083)	160
Sociology	Social Studies: Content (0081)	158
	and Social Studies: Interpretation of Materials (0083)	160
Spanish (Either testing option is acceptable for certification until 1/1/2012.)	Praxis World Languages: Spanish (5195) (Beginning September 2010)	168
	or both of the following tests Spanish: Content Knowledge (0191) (Discontinued in July 2010)	148
	and Spanish: Productive Language skills (0192) (Discontinued in July 2010)	161
Speech Language Therapist	Speech-Language Pathology (0330)	530
Russian	No exam available *	No Score
Theatre	Theatre (0640)	590
Visual Impairment (Either test is acceptable.)	Teaching Students with Visual Impairments (0280) (Replaced by test 0281 in September 2010.)	690
	or Teaching Students with Visual Impairments (0281) (Beginning in September 2010.)	160

* NO EXAM AVAILABLE. An initial certificate will be issued to individuals who seek certification in a subject for which no teaching area examination exists provided they meet all requirements for certification in effect on the date the Office of Educator Certification receives all required documentation for certification.

NOTE: All Praxis II examinations have a five digit examination code. The code numbers presented above are preceded by one digit, either a 1, 2, or 3, this digit indicates the session number. Examinations offered by computer do not have a session number and have codes beginning with 5. Since the session number may change periodically we have not listed them in the above chart. The remaining four digits of the area exam should not change unless the Educational Testing Service (ETS) changes their codes. The Office of Educator Certification will make every effort to ensure that all examination codes are accurate.

When registering for Praxis II tests through the Educational Testing Service (ETS), please provide your social security number in order for your scores to be reported to the South Carolina Department of Education. Scores are reported electronically and matched to our database file using your social security number. If a social security number is not listed on your score report, processing of your certificate will be delayed and you may be required to request another official score report from ETS at an additional cost.