



Checklist for Initial Application to the Educator Preparation Program

Establish a GPA of 2.50 or higher

_____ Cumulative University of Nebraska System GPA of 2.50 or higher with 12+ credit hours in the NU system

_____ New Transfer Students: Transfer GPA of 2.50 or higher. If student has completed less than 12 credit hours in the NU System, NU GPA will be combined with transfer GPA .

Complete the following courses with a grade of C- or higher

_____ English Composition I (ENGL 1150) or proficiency

The following courses may be in-progress at the time of application*, or completed ahead of time with a grade of C- or higher

_____ English Composition II (ENGL 1160/ 2160) or proficiency

_____ Communication Studies (CMST 1110 Public Speaking or CMST 2120 Debate)

_____ MATH/STEM 1120, MATH 1130, MATH 1220, MATH 1310, STAT 1530, MATH/STAT 1100 or math proficiency

The following courses may be in-progress at the time of application*, or completed ahead of time (within past ten years) with a grade of C or higher

_____ TED 2100 Educational Foundations (prerequisite: GPA 2.5 or higher)

_____ TED 2200 Human Relations for a Bias-Free Classroom (prerequisite: GPA 2.5 or higher)

**Students who apply to the Educator Prep Program, but do not pass TED 2100 and TED 2200 with a grade of C or higher, will not be permitted to continue in the Educator Prep Program until such grade is received. Students who apply to the Educator Prep Program, but do not pass English Comp. II, Communication Studies and Math requirements with a grade of C- or higher will not be permitted to continue in the Educator Prep Program until such grade is received.*

Recommended but not required: Attempt the Praxis CORE Academic Skills for Educators test within your first year at UNO. You MUST attempt the test before formal admission to program.

Initial Application Deadlines

March 1st (Upon acceptance, start education core courses in following fall term)

June 1st (Upon acceptance, start education core courses in following fall term)

October 1st (Upon acceptance, start education core courses in following spring term)

Complete all application materials (found at

<http://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-education/student-services/academics/admissions-teacherprep.php>) and submit via email prior to the appropriate deadline. Full directions can be found at the above link.

If a deadline date falls on a holiday or weekend, the application is due the previous business day.



Checklist for Formal Admission to the Educator Preparation Program

Establish a GPA of 2.75 or higher*

_____ Cumulative University of Nebraska System GPA of 2.75 or higher (3.0 for social science candidates)

Complete the following field experience courses with a grade of C or higher**

Elementary Education and Early Childhood Inclusive Courses

_____ TED 2300 Human Growth & Learning (3)

_____ TED 2400 Plan for Effective Teaching (6)

OR

Secondary Education Courses

_____ TED 2380 Development in Adolescence (3)

_____ TED 2400 Plan for Effective Teaching (6)

Required: Attempt the Praxis CORE Academic Skills for Educators test***

_____ Praxis CORE Academic Skills scores reported

Students must sign a form acknowledging that passing Praxis Core scores (156 in Reading, 162 in Writing, and 150 in Mathematics) are **required for full Nebraska certification**. The acknowledgment form will be emailed to you.

**Students who are pursuing the Secondary Social Science endorsement must establish a NU system GPA of a 3.0 or higher for formal admission.*

***Students who are initially admitted to the Educator Prep Program, but do not pass TED 2300 or TED 2380 and TED 2400, with a grade of C or higher and/or do not attempt the Praxis CORE, will not be permitted to continue in the Educator Prep Program course sequence until such grade is received and CORE scores received.*

****Praxis CORE scores for Reading, Writing, and Mathematics must be received by the institution by August 1st or January 10th of the semester that the applicant takes TED 2400, or the student will not be permitted to continue or enroll in the Educator Prep Program course sequence.*

Formal Admission to Educator Preparation

There is not a second application to be fully admitted to Educator Prep. GPA, Praxis CORE scores, and passing grades for TED 2300 or TED 2380 and TED 2400 will be verified by the Office of Academic Advising and Field Experience.

It is strongly encouraged that students meet with their academic advisor regularly for the most updated program and policy information.



Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators

How to register

Step 1: Create an ETS account

Through the Educational Testing Service (ETS) website: <http://www.ets.org/praxis>

Step 2: Register for the test

- CORE Academic Skills for Educators
- Students can register for the “combined” version to take reading, math, and writing all in one sitting or register for each section separately.
- Combined test 4.5 hours
- Testing Codes:
 - Core Combined #5752
 - Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics #5733
 - Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading #5713
 - Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing #5723

Step 3: Select your testing location

Test may be taken at:

- UNO Testing Center, Kayser Hall, Room 522
 - There are two UNO testing centers listed; check both for open test dates.
- Prometric Testing, 11225 Davenport Street
Listed as 3801 – Omaha – Davenport Street
- Praxis at Home:
<https://www.ets.org/s/cv/praxis/at-home/>
- **Note: Photo ID required the day of the test**

Step 4: Select score recipients

Select both recipients:

6420 – University of Nebraska at Omaha
7643 – Nebraska Department of Education

Step 5: Pay for the test

Cost of the Praxis CORE* (*subject to change):
\$150 to take the entire assessment at one time
\$90 per individual section

Praxis at Home

ETS is offering Praxis exams at home. They are monitored by a human proctor online through ProctorU®. At home appointments are available 10 a.m.- 1 a.m. seven days a week. Please use this website to learn how to sign up for the Praxis at Home exam.

<https://www.ets.org/s/cv/praxis/at-home/>

Passing Scores information: both versions

Reading: **156** or higher - 85 minutes

Mathematics: **150** or higher - 85 minutes

Writing: **162** or higher - 100 minutes

Wait Time for Test Scores

Approximately 3-5 weeks (Remember: 28-day waiting period in between exams to retest)

View Scores

Scores are downloadable for one year; a fee of \$50 will be charged for additional requests.

Be sure to download your score report for future use.

Testing Accommodations

Testing accommodations are available through ETS for those with disabilities, health-related needs or English language learners (PLNE):

<https://www.ets.org/praxis/register/disabilities>

Free Study Guide Materials

- UNO Criss Library Praxis E-book study guides:
<http://libguides.unomaha.edu/testprep>
- Khan Academy pre-test, videos, and exercises for Core skills preparation:
<https://www.ets.org/praxis/prepare/khan>
- ETS website:
Reading: <http://www.ets.org/s/praxis/pdf/5712.pdf>
Math: <http://www.ets.org/s/praxis/pdf/5732.pdf>
Writing: <http://www.ets.org/s/praxis/pdf/5722.pdf>
- UNO Math Science Learning Center for tutoring:
<http://www.unomaha.edu/mslc/hours.php>
- Roskens Hall Core math tutoring, please e-mail unocoeadvising@unomaha.edu for more information.
- UNO Writing Center: <http://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-arts-and-sciences/writing-center/index.php>
- UNO Language Lab:
<https://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-arts-and-sciences/english/first-year-writing/uno-language-lab.php>
- Free prep materials are available in Roskens Hall 412 and Criss Library. Students can purchase their own via the UNO bookstore and other local bookstores or online retailers such as amazon.com for about \$20.