OUT-OF-STATE (OOS) PATHWAY TESTING INFORMATION

This testing information pertains to applicants who completed educator preparation programs for teaching, pupil services, and/or administrator licensure at a college or university headquartered outside the state of Wisconsin, including online colleges or universities and out-of-country (non-U.S.) colleges or universities. Educators who live outside Wisconsin but completed a Wisconsin educator preparation program are considered in-state applicants.

All applicants for Wisconsin teaching, pupil services, and administrative licenses through the out-of-state pathway must provide passing scores on all required tests, including tests of basic skills and content knowledge tests. For some licensure areas, the Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin is an additional content knowledge test. Applicants are required to pass all tests for licensure in the state where the educator preparation program is headquartered and be eligible for licensure in the state where their educator preparation program is headquartered.

I. BASIC SKILLS TESTS

All applicants who completed approved educator preparation programs after August, 31, 1992, and are seeking Wisconsin licensure must demonstrate basic communication skills in reading, writing, and mathematics. Out-of-state applicants for Wisconsin licensure must demonstrate basic communication skills in reading, writing, and mathematics by providing an original score report with passing scores from standardized tests approved by the state superintendent. Wisconsin will allow these options for out-of-state applicants:

A. Submit evidence of passing the comparable basic skills tests approved by the state in which your educator preparation was completed, **OR**

B. Submit evidence of passing a college entrance exam approved for Wisconsin, **OR**

C. Submit evidence of passing a reading, writing, and mathematics standardized basic skills test approved for Wisconsin.

A. Basic Skills Tests from other states

Basic Skills Tests Other States	Passing Score
If you have taken a comparable basic skills test in reading, writing, and mathematics for licensure in another state (e.g., ITBS, MTLE, MTTC-PRE), you may provide a score report, and the WI Department of Public Instruction will review to determine whether it is acceptable.	Passing Score determined by the state where the exam was taken
Original score report test results must be uploaded with license application	

B. Wisconsin Approved College Entrance Exams and Passing Scores

College Entrance Exam	Passing Score
The ACT® Test **www.act.org**	Composite Score of 23 with minimum score of 20 on English, Math, and Reading
The ACT® Plus Writing Test **www.act.org**	Composite Score of 22 and combined English/Writing score of 20
The SAT® Test **www.sat.collegeboard.org**	Minimum sub-scores: 520 on Mathematics 510 on Critical Reading 480 on Writing
The GRE® Revised General Test **Taken August 1, 2011, or later** **www.ets.org**	Total score of 298 with minimum score of 150 on Verbal and 145 on Math and 3 Analytical Writing
The GRE® Test **Taken prior to August 1, 2011** **www.ets.org**	Minimum sub-scores: 540 on Quantitative Reasoning 450 on Verbal Reasoning 3 on Analytical Writing
Original score report test results must be uploaded with license application	

C. Wisconsin Approved Standardized Basic Skills Tests and Passing Scores

Test Series	Standardized Basic Skills Tests Name (Code)	Passing Score	Helpful Information
ETS Praxis™ Core Academic Skills for Educators (CORE) **www.ets.org**	**CORE Reading (5712)**	**156**	These are the tests currently in use in Wisconsin.
	CORE Writing (5722)	**162**	
	CORE Mathematics (5732)	**150**	
ETS Praxis® I: PPST tests **www.ets.org**	**PPST Reading - 0710 or 5710**	**175**	These tests are no longer administered, but previous test results will continue to be accepted in Wisconsin.
	PPST Writing - 0720 or 5720	**174**	
	PPST Mathematics - 0730 or 5730	**173**	
Original score report test results must be uploaded with license application			

Registering for a Wisconsin Basic Skills Standardized Test

1. REGISTER directly with the test vendor:
ETS Praxis™ CORE www.ets.org/praxis

2. TAKE the tests. **OBTAIN** an original score report from the test vendor. **VERIFY** minimum passing score.
Do not have score reports sent to the DPI.

3. SUBMIT a scanned copy of original score report(s) when applying for Wisconsin licensure.

The Educational Testing Service (ETS) administers the Praxis™ Core Academic Skills for Educations (CORE). Visit www.ets.org/praxis/register for testing information.

II. FOUNDATIONS OF READING TEST FOR WISCONSIN

Effective January 31, 2014, all applicants applying for a Wisconsin teaching license in elementary education (PK-5), special education, or reading (see list below) are required to pass the Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin, a test of reading instruction knowledge and skills administered by Pearson Education, Inc. This requirement is in addition to the current content testing requirements for each license.

The passing score is 240.

Applicants for these Wisconsin licenses must pass the Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin:

- Regular Education – Early Childhood (1777)
- Early Childhood Education (1083)
- Regular Education – Early Childhood-Middle Childhood (1777)
- Regular Education – Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence (1777)
- Elementary/Middle Level Education (1088)
- Montessori (1778)
- Early Childhood Special Education (1809)
- Early Childhood-EEN (1808)
- Cross Categorical – Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence (1801)
- Specific Learning Disabilities – Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence (1811)
- Emotional Behavioral Disabilities – Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence (1830)
- Cognitive Disabilities – Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence (1810)
- Cross Categorical – Early Adolescence-Adolescence (1801)
- Specific Learning Disabilities – Early Adolescence-Adolescence (1811)
- Emotional Behavioral Disabilities – Early Adolescence-Adolescence (1830)
- Cognitive Disabilities – Early Adolescence-Adolescence (1810)
- Visual Impairments – Early Childhood-Adolescence (1825)
- Reading Teacher (1316)
- Reading Specialist (5017)

Registering for the Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin

1. REGISTER directly with the test vendor:
Pearson Education www.wi.nesinc.com/

2. TAKE the test. **OBTAIN** an original score report from the test vendor. **VERIFY** minimum passing score. *Do not have score reports sent to the DPI.*

3. SUBMIT a scanned copy of original score report when applying for Wisconsin licensure.

Pearson Education administers the NES Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin. Visit www.wi.nesinc.com/ for practice testing materials, registration information, and policies for the Foundations of Reading Test.

III. WISCONSIN CONTENT TESTS

Applicants who completed an approved educator preparation program after August 31, 2004, are required to complete the appropriate content test(s) listed below. Applicants must successfully complete the exact test(s) listed below; no comparable Praxis II tests or tests required in other states are accepted in lieu of the specific Wisconsin test. Wisconsin does not issue licenses on the basis of passing a content test that was completed in another state.

Refer to http://dpi.wi.gov/tepdl/licensing/types/educator-general to understand the license types and developmental levels of licenses in Wisconsin. In particular, please note:

- Applicants who completed an elementary education program after August 31, 2004, and wish to apply for licensure at the early childhood-middle childhood developmental level (EC-MC, ages birth to 8), must have at minimum a concentration or minor in early childhood. Otherwise, licensure at the middle childhood-early adolescence developmental level (MC-EA, grades 1 through 8) is more likely appropriate.
- Similarly, applicants who wish to apply for licensure in early childhood special education must have significant preparation in early childhood. Otherwise, licensure at the middle childhood-early adolescence developmental level (MC-EA, grades 1 through 8) in cross categorical special education is more likely appropriate.

LICENSE	Test Name (Code)	Passing Score
REGULAR EDUCATION TEACHING LICENSES	**THESE ARE THE ONLY ACCEPTED TESTS AND PASSING SCORES. BOTH SUBJECT AREA TESTS ARE REQUIRED.**	
Regular Education (1777) -Early Childhood	Praxis II Elementary Content Knowledge (5014 or 0014) OR Praxis II Elementary Content Knowledge (5018) **AND** Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin (90)	147 157 240
Regular Education (1777) -Early Childhood-Middle Childhood	Praxis II Elementary Content Knowledge (5014 or 0014) OR Praxis II Elementary Content Knowledge (5018) **AND** Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin (90)	147 157 240
Regular Education (1777) - Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence	Praxis II Middle School Content Knowledge (5146 or 0146) **AND** Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin (90)	146 240
SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHING LICENSES	**THESE ARE THE ONLY ACCEPTED TESTS AND PASSING SCORES. BOTH SUBJECT AREA TESTS ARE REQUIRED.**	
Early Childhood Special Education (1809)	Praxis II Elementary Content Knowledge (5014 or 0014) OR Praxis II Elementary Content Knowledge (5018) **AND** Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin (90)	147 157 240

LICENSE	Test Name (Code)	Passing Score
Cross Categorical (1801) Cognitive Disabilities (1810) Specific Learning Disabilities (1811) Emotional Behavioral Disabilities (1830)	Praxis II Middle School Content Knowledge (5146 or 0146) **AND** Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin (90)	146 240
Visual Impairments (1825)	Praxis II Middle School Content Knowledge (5146 or 0146) **AND** Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin (90)	146 240
	The Visual Impairments License also requires passing score on the NLS test or the Wisconsin Braille Competency Exam (WBCE). For more information about the WBCE, contact the Wisconsin DPI Education Consultant for Visual Impairment at (608) 758-6148	

LICENSE	ETS Praxis II Test Name (Code)	Passing Score
EARLY ADOLESCENCE-ADOLESECENCE (EA-A) TEACHING LICENSES	**THESE ARE THE ONLY ACCEPTED TESTS AND PASSING SCORES.**	
English Language Arts Broadfield Language Arts (1301) English Literature & Composition (1300) Journalism (1310) Speech Communication (1320)	English Language Arts Content Knowledge (5038) **OR** English Language, Literature, and Composition (0041 or 5041)	167 160
Computer Science (1405)	No Test Required at this time	N/A
Mathematics (1400)	Mathematics Content Knowledge (5161) **OR** Mathematics Content Knowledge (0061 or 5061)	160 135
Science Broad Field Science (1601) Biology (1605) Chemistry (1610) Earth and Space Science (1635) Environmental Studies (1615) Life and Environmental Science (1606) Physics (1625) Physical Science (1637)	General Science Content Knowledge (5435 or 0435)	154

LICENSE	ETS Praxis II Test Name (Code)	Passing Score
Social Studies Broadfield Social Studies (1701) Economics (1710) Geography (1715) History (1725) Political Science (1735) Psychology (1740) Sociology (1745)	Social Studies Content Knowledge (5081 or 0081)	153
EARLY CHILDHOOD-ADOLESCENCE (EC-A) TEACHING LICENSES	**THESE ARE THE ONLY ACCEPTED TESTS AND PASSING SCORES.**	
Agriculture (1200)	Agriculture (5701) **OR** Agriculture (0700)	147 510
Art (1550)	Art Content Knowledge (5134 or 0134) **OR** Art Content Knowledge (0133)	158 155
Business Education (1250)	Business Education (5101 or 0101) **OR** Business Education (0100)	154 580
Deaf or Hard of Hearing (1805)	Middle School Content Knowledge (5146 or 0146)	146
English As a Second Language (1395)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362) **OR** English to Speakers of Other Languages (5361 or 0361) **OR** English to Speakers of Other Languages (0360)	149 143 530
Family and Consumer Education (1210)	Family & Consumer Sciences (5122) **OR** Family & Consumer Sciences (0121 or 5121) **OR** Family & Consumer Sciences (0120)	153 159 590
Health Education (1910)	Health Education (5550 or 0550) **OR** Health Education (5551)	610 151
Marketing Education (1285)	Marketing Education (5561 or 0561) **OR** Marketing Education (0560)	153 600
Music Choral (1511) General (1515) Instrumental (1506)	Music Content Knowledge (5113 or 0113)	150
Physical Education (1530)	Physical Education Content Knowledge (5091 or 0091)	150

LICENSE	ETS Praxis II Test Name (Code)	Passing Score
Speech and Language Pathology (1820)	Speech-Language Pathology (5331) **OR** Speech-Language Pathology (0330 or 5330)	162 600
Technology Education (1220)	Technology Education (5051 or 0051) **OR** Technology Education (0050)	159 590
Theatre (1325)	Theatre (5641 or 0641) **OR** Theatre (0640)	157 600

LICENSE	Language Testing International Test Name	Passing Scores
EARLY CHILDHOOD-ADOLESCENCE (EC-A) TEACHING LICENSES (continued)	**THESE ARE THE ONLY ACCEPTED TESTS AND PASSING SCORES.***	
Chinese-Mandarin (1349)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – Chinese, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - Chinese	Intermediate High on both tests
French (1355)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – French, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - French	Intermediate High on both tests
German (1370)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – German, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - German	Intermediate High on both tests
Hebrew (1356)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – Hebrew, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - Hebrew	Intermediate High on both tests
Italian (1360)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – Italian, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - Italian	Intermediate High on both tests
Japanese (1375)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – Japanese, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - Japanese	Intermediate High on both tests
Polish (1380)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – Polish, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - Polish	Intermediate High on both tests
Portuguese (1381)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – Portuguese, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - Portuguese	Intermediate High on both tests
Russian (1385)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview – Russian, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - Russian	Intermediate High on both tests
Spanish (1365)	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview -Spanish, **and** ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test - Spanish	Intermediate High on both tests

***Note**: If you completed your educator preparation program between September 1, 2004, and August 31, 2011, and took the appropriate Praxis II world language test during that time, we will accept your score report for that test. However, if you completed your program between these dates and did not take the Praxis II during that time, you must take the ACTFL as outlined above.

LICENSE	Pearson Education Test Name (Code)	Passing Score
EC-A SUPPLEMENTAL TEACHING LICENSES	**THIS IS THE ONLY ACCEPTED TEST AND PASSING SCORE.**	
Reading Teacher (1316)	Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin (90)	240

LICENSE	Pearson Education Test Name (Code)	Passing Score
EC-A ADMINISTRATOR LICENSES	**THIS IS THE ONLY ACCEPTED TEST AND PASSING SCORE.**	
Reading Specialist (5017)	Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin (90)	240

LICENSE	ETS Praxis II Test Name (Code)	Passing Score
EC-A Pupil Services Licenses	**THESE ARE THE ONLY ACCEPTED TESTS AND PASSING SCORES.**	
School Counselor (7054)	Professional School Counselor (5421 or 0421) **OR** School Guidance and Counseling (0420)	156 560
School Psychologist (7062)	School Psychologist (5402) School Psychologist (0401) School Psychologist (0400)	147 165 660
School Social Worker (7050)	None required (effective 7/1/2014)	

Registering for the required Wisconsin Content Tests

1. REGISTER directly with the test vendor to take the test:

ETS Praxis® II content tests www.ets.org/praxis
Pearson Education www.wi.nesinc.com/
Language Testing International ACTFL www.languagetesting.com

2. TAKE the test. **OBTAIN** an original score report from the test vendor. **VERIFY** minimum passing score. *Do not have score reports sent to the DPI.*

3. SUBMIT a scanned copy of original score report(s) when applying for Wisconsin licensure.

The Educational Testing Service (ETS) administers the Praxis II® content tests. Visit www.ets.org/praxis/register for testing information, registration information, and policies.

Pearson Education administers the NES Foundations of Reading Test for Wisconsin. Visit www.wi.nesinc.com/ for practice testing materials, registration information, and policies for the Foundations of Reading Test.

Language Testing International administers the American Council for Teaching Foreign Language tests. Visit www.languagetesting.com for testing information.