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Praxis I (PPST)

It is strongly recommended that students who are required to take the Praxis I - Academic Skills Assessment, do so during the freshman year or within the first semester of transfer into the College of Education, Health, and Human Services. Students have the option to take the computer based testing (CBT) Praxis I, which is available at area Prometric Candidate Services, or the paper and pencil administration of Praxis I (offered on a limited basis only) on Kent Campus or any other authorized testing site. Please refer to the ETS website for costs (www.ets.org/praxis). Some students are exempt from the Praxis I on the basis of standardized test scores. Please refer to www.ehhs.kent.edu/oss for additional information, or discuss during an advising appointment.

Computer Based Testing (Praxis I-PPST):

Registration is by appointment. No pre-registration is required. To register, call the testing site directly for appointment. For more specific information call one of the test locations in this packet or Prometric Candidate Services at 1-800-853-6773. You can also access information at www.ets.org/praxis. Local testing sites:

Stow- (330) 922-5587

Mentor- (440) 255-0055

Niles- (330) 652-1886

Strongsville- (440) 238-0530

Case Western- (216) 368-1030

Seven Hills- (216) 520-3162

Please Note: Score reports for computer-based tests are mailed two to three weeks after your individual test date. Please be aware that passing test scores must be on file in 304 **PRIOR** to submission of the **application for Admission to Advanced Study**.

Reading (Test Code: 5710)

This test measures the ability to understand, analyze and evaluate written messages. The test consists of 46 multiple-choice questions based on a variety of subject areas and real life situations. The time limit for the test is 75 minutes. The minimum passing score is 174 Spring 2010 & Beyond (175 Fall 2009 & Prior)

Writing (Test Code: 5720)

This test assesses the ability to use grammar and language appropriately and to communicate effectively in writing, which is essential to a well-educated adult in a professional role. The test includes two separately timed sections: a 38 minute multiple-choice section containing 44 questions and a 30 minute essay section requiring a writing sample. The minimum passing score is 172 Spring 2010 & Beyond (173 Fall 2009 & Prior)

Mathematics (Test Code: 5730)

This test measures mathematical skills and concepts that focus on the ability to solve problems and reason in a quantitative context. This test includes 46 multiple-choice questions and the test limit is 75 minutes. The minimum passing score is 174.

Please note: Students following catalog years prior to 2002 have different passing scores. Please refer to the checklist for Advanced Study.

Paper and Pencil Administration (Praxis I-PPST): Register on-line at www.ets.org/praxis.

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Please Note: *Registration deadline is approximately five weeks prior to the test administration date.* If you register online for a paper-based test, you **must access test scores via your Praxis account.** This service is free of charge. You will be able to view, print and download your scores days earlier than those who registered by mail or phone. You may access your scores for a given paper-based administration the afternoon of the score report mailing date. **Your scores will be accessible through your account for only 30 days.** Please be aware that passing test scores must be on file in 304 **PRIOR** to submission of the application for Admission to Advanced Study.

Reading (Test Code: 10710)

This test measures skills in understanding a written message, determining the main idea, and making thoughtful judgments regarding the organization, accuracy, and meaning of a written passage. It has 40 multiple-choice items and a total testing time of 60 minutes. *The minimum passing score is 174 Spring 2010 & Beyond (175 Fall 2009 & Prior)*

Writing (Test Code: 20720)

This test assesses the ability to use grammar and language and to communicate effectively in writing with a specific aim of purpose in mind. It has two separately timed 30-minute sections. The first section consists of 45 multiple-choice items on standard English usage and sentence construction; the second consists of one essay question. *The minimum passing score is 172 Spring 2010 & Beyond (173 Fall 2009 & Prior)*

Mathematics (Test Code: 10730)

This test covers such skills as comparing and ordering numbers, interpreting graphs, using ratios and percents, using measurement concepts, reasoning quantitatively, and other fundamental skills. It has 40 multiple-choice items and a total testing time of 60 minutes. *The minimum passing score is 174.*

Each of the three tests is reported on a scale ranging from 150-190. Scores on the different tests are not comparable (e.g., a score of 175 on the Reading test is not necessarily better than a score of 170 on the Mathematics test).

Study Guides:

Students are encouraged to review the Tests at a Glance on-line, which provides detailed information and sample questions. You can obtain the "Tests at a Glance" booklets by downloading them through the Praxis I website at www.ets.org/praxis. You will need Acrobat Reader to do this. More detailed study guides are available at the Kent State University library, and for sale at the University Bookstore, as well as other retail bookstores (Borders, Waldenbooks, Amazon.com, etc.). For more Praxis I review material, students can also refer to the following websites:

www.testprepreview.com/praxis_practice.htm

www.ehhs.kent.edu/oss

Retesting:

If a student does not pass a section(s) of the Praxis I, the student only has to retake those sections not passed. The entire test does not need to be retaken. However, there is a corresponding fee for each test. A retake does not erase the original scores, but is added to the students test score record. All test scores (original and retake) are reported. You may take each computerized test once per calendar month up to six times in a 12-month period. The 12-month period begins with the first test taken after July 1, 2004.

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