

**Thayer School of Education
Transfer Student Entrance Requirements for Admission
to the Teacher Education Program**

Candidates must have passed the PRAXIS Core or be exempt before being formally accepted into the program. Deadline dates will be given at the beginning of each semester.

Students may be admitted to the Teacher Education Program upon satisfying the following requirements and being approved by the Teacher Education Committee the first semester attending Wingate University.

The student must:

- Have transferred at least 45 credit hours from Community College to be eligible to apply.
- A brief autobiography is required.
- Successfully meet the minimum score requirements of the PRAXIS Core, (cumulative score of 468), or SAT (cumulative score of 1170 from Math and Verbal) or ACT (cumulative score of 24) tests.
- Have a cumulative and specialty GPA of at least 2.70 at the time of application. A minimum 2.70 cumulative is required each semester until graduation to maintain an active status in the program.
- Have passed at least one course in education at Wingate University
- Have a minimum grade of “C- “or above in English 110.
- Elementary Education applicants must have a minimum grade of “C- “or above in Math 118 and Math 119. If Math 119 is not taken at time of application, students can be admitted provisionally.
- Provide three (3) references from Wingate University professors. One recommendation must come from a core professor in education. Recommendations cannot be employer or athletic coaches at Wingate.
- Complete School of Education interview upon completion of all other requirements.

The Teacher Education Committee reserves the right to deny admission or continuance in the program to any student who has displayed deficiencies in the following areas:

- academic performance
- sense of responsibility
- interpersonal and communication skills
- moral standards

Exceptions to the above policies may be recommended by the Dean of the Thayer School of Education and approved by the Teacher Education Committee.

If you have any questions about the above, please contact Sandy Leyva at s.leyva@wingate.edu

Testing Admission Requirements to the School of Education

You must have achieved one of the following to be accepted into the School of Education program. These requirements are required by North Carolina Department of Instruction (NCDPI)

ACT Scores

Individuals with a composite ACT score of 24 are exempt from Praxis I Core testing requirements for teacher education program admissions.

Individuals with a composite ACT score of less than 24, but with a score of at least 24 on the English test are exempt from the Praxis I test in Reading and Writing for teacher education program admission.

Individuals with a composite ACT score of less than 24, but a score of at least 24 on the Math test are exempt from the Praxis I test in Mathematics for teacher education program admission.

SAT Scores

Individuals with a total SAT of 1170 taken after March 2016 are exempt from having to take the Praxis I test for admission to the teacher education program.

Individuals with a total SAT score of less than 1170, but a score of at least 600 on the evidence-based reading and writing test are exempt from the Praxis I skills test in Reading and Writing for admission to the teacher education program admission.

Individuals with a total SAT score of less than 1170 but a score of at least 570 on the Math test are exempt from the Praxis I Skills Test in Mathematics for admission to the teacher education program.

Praxis I

If you do not meet one of the above criteria, you will need to take the Praxis I test for admission.

To register for the test, you will go to <https://www.ets.org/praxis/register> (make sure you say that you would like your scores sent to Wingate University)

The following tests need to be taken:

- 5713 Core Academic Skills: Reading
- 5723 Core Academic Skills: Writing
- 5733 Core Academic Skills: Math
- 5752 Combination of all Tests

NOTE: You need a composite score of 468 between the three tests. This means you can pass two tests and fail one test, but if the score is 468 you do not need to take the failed test. Or you can pass one test and fail two tests and if the score is 468 you do not need to take the failed tests again.

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