NYS Master Teacher Program
Praxis Exam Guide

The NYS Master Teacher Program application requires one of the Praxis® Subject Tests (formerly the Praxis II® Content Exams) that is listed on the Praxis Exam Guide below. The application process equally regards knowledge in all STEM content areas so, we recommend that the applicant register for the exam that will best demonstrate their mastery of a STEM content area.

Please review all pages in this Praxis Exam Guide before registering for an exam. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the Praxis® Subject Tests they take meets application requirements outlined in the tables below. If applicants have questions, email the NYSMTP office masterteacherprogram@suny.edu for guidance.

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The Exam
All tests are now delivered by computer. There is also an option for at home testing on a home computer or other secure location. All exams must be taken by the application deadline. To register, visit www.ets.org/praxis.

We advise all applicants to review current "The Praxis® Tests Information Bulletin" for general information about the exams, registration and taking the exam.

If the applicant has previously taken an exam in Table I or II, they may provide the original score report or request an official report to be sent to the NYS Master Teacher Program using our state/agency code **7780**.

Picking a Date
Applicants are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the test dates for the Praxis® Subject Assessments (formerly the Praxis II® Content Knowledge tests) they intend to take. All applicants must take the Praxis® Subject Assessments (formerly the Praxis II® Content Knowledge tests) before or by the application deadline.

We strongly encourage all applicants to schedule their exam well in advance of the application deadline should there be a need to reschedule. The deadline to take a Praxis II exam accepted for application is the deadline to submit an application.

- An applicant may take their Praxis exam prior to submitting their application. Follow the instructions above to ensure that the score is reported to the NYS Master Teacher Program, code 7780.

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- All applicants are required to provide their test registration information (test and date) in their application.
- The applicant is required to take the exam by the application deadline.
- The applicant does not need to have received the exam score before submitting the online application, however the application will not be complete if the applicant has not taken the exam by the required deadline.

Registration Options and Accommodations
Please review the complete set of accommodations available on the ETS.org/Praxis website. Testing on a Monday can be arranged for those applicants whose religious convictions or active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces prevent them from testing on Saturday. Extended testing time is also available for test takers whose primary language is not English (PLNE). Additional accommodations are detailed for test takers with disabilities or health-related needs.

Fees
The fee for taking the Praxis Exam is $130, paid directly to the Educational Testing Service. To ensure that the report is sent to the NYS Master Teacher Program, enter state/agency code **7780** when registering for the tests.

Hardship
If paying the exam fee causes a financial hardship for the applicant or their family, they may apply for reimbursement. Please review the document "PRAXIS Reimbursement Request Form" on the NYS Master Teacher Program website. applicants are asked to send a copy of the signed form with a letter of no more than one page that includes family income, family size, and an explanation of the nature of the hardship to masterteacherprogram@suny.edu. PRAXIS reimbursement requests are due by the application deadline. The applicant does not have to be accepted into the program to be eligible for reimbursement.
*The PRAXIS Reimbursement Request Form is only available for download during an application cycle.

Scores
The Praxis Content Knowledge exam score is one of many components considered in the Master Teacher application. Throughout the online application, applicants are encouraged to share specific examples of their STEM content knowledge and how they are working to deepen or broaden their knowledge of the science, technology/Computer Science, engineering, or math content that they teach. A score between 145 and 160 is considered a passing score. *No applicant is guaranteed an interview and selection for a high score and no applicant is removed from consideration for a low score.*

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If an applicant has taken an exam on the list of accepted exams for application for their grade level prior to the current application cycle, they have two options for reporting their score to the NYSMTP:

1. Upload a PDF of the official score report from ETS to their application,
   OR
2. Contact ETS and request that a score report be sent to the NYSMTP state agency code 7780.

A completed application requires <u>one</u> Praxis exam listed below
<u>taken by the current application deadline</u>.

Table I lists the subject areas, Praxis Exams accepted for the NYS Master Teacher Program application for applicants *<u>who currently teach grades 7 through 12.</u>* All applicants choose one exam that they believe will demonstrate mastery of content. (Page 3 of this Guide)

Table II lists the two additional exams accepted for applicants *<u>who currently teach grades K through 6.</u>* All applicants choose one exam that they believe will demonstrate mastery of content.

Table I: For applicants who currently teach grades 7 through 12. *An applicant chooses one exam from the list below that is currently available for registration*
Praxis Exams (Codes)
Agriculture (5701)
Biology (5236) OR Biology: Content Knowledge (0235/5235)
Chemistry (5246) OR Chemistry: Content Knowledge (0245/5245)
Computer Science (5652, formerly 5651)
Earth and Space Sciences (5572) OR Earth and Space Sciences: Content (0571/5571)
Mathematics: Content Knowledge (5165) (0061/5061/5161 will also be accepted)
General Science (5436) OR General Science: Content Knowledge (0435/5435)
Physics (5266) OR Physics: Content Knowledge (0265/5265)

Table II: For applicants who currently teach grades K-6. *An applicant chooses one exam from the list below that is currently available for registration.* **All exams that are listed on Grid I** are accepted for K-6 applicants. In addition to the above exams, applicants who currently teach K-6 grades may take either of the following exams:
Praxis Exams (Codes)
Middle School Mathematics (0169/5164/5169)
Middle School Science (0439/5440/5442)