

SEMO Ed Prep PRAXIS Testing Guide

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About Praxis

Website: https://praxis.ets.org/on/demandware.store/Sites-ETS-Praxis-Site/en_US/Home-Show

Missouri is moved to the ETS Praxis certification exams and away from the Missouri Content Assessment (MOCA) by Missouri Educator Gateway Assessments (MEGA) certification exams, as of July 1, 2024.

For full details see the Comprehensive Guide to Praxis:

https://praxis.ets.org/on/demandware.static/-/Library-Sites-ets-praxisLibrary/default/dw64dd428b/pdfs/praxis-information-bulletin.pdf

Pre-Sign Up

Accessibility Assistance

If you have at least one medical diagnosis that allows for testing accommodations, you may be eligible for assistance on the Praxis. The types of accommodations available for the Praxis can be found here: https://praxis.ets.org/test-takers/disability-accommodations.html

Extremely Important:

Requesting assistance must be submitted at least 6 weeks before test registration.

PDF for Requesting Accommodations

Requests are completed through ETS, the Praxis testing company.

Praxis Disability Services:

Email	Form Submission	Phone	Mail
stassd@ets.org	disability.reg@ets.org	609-771-7780 866-387-8602	ETS Disability Services P.O. Box 6054 Princeton, NJ 08541-6054

Financial Assistance

Testing costs can be viewed before and during checkout on the Praxis website.

Vouchers to help in covering part of the testing cost may be available in some circumstances.

- 1. Through Associate Dean's Office
 - a. Contact Sherry Holder at sholder@semo.edu
 - b. This option is available for students on financial aid first. All other students will be considered if vouchers are left over.

Signing Up

Create an Account

Sign in/Create Account page: https://praxis.ets.org/login/sign-in?appid=dicomm

Selecting a Test

Missouri certification required tests: https://praxis.ets.org/state-requirements/missouri-tests.html
Registration information page: https://praxis.ets.org/test-taker/register-process.html
When registering for an exam, make sure to:

- Include Southeast as the institution your scores will be sent to (see code below)
- Include your Social Security number
 - This is to ensure that your scores will be linked with your DESE profile

Locations:

In-Person/Testing Center

- Bring your student ID to check-in
- Testing Services, Kent Library 108

Online/At Home

- Test equipment before signing up
- Test equipment day of test
- Recommend launching and checking in 15 minutes before scheduled time
 - If you do not check in by 12 minutes after scheduled time, your test will be canceled <u>without refund</u>

Out of State

- Be careful of the test you are signing up for! Use code chart below
- Be sure to add SEMO & DESE's share code! (listed below)

Qualifying Scores vary for each test

- Missouri Qualifying Scores
- Required score for certification is listed before adding the test to the cart

Test Change Fee

Rescheduling or canceling a test

- Missouri test-takers may cancel or reschedule test dates/locations, request additional score reports, and request rescore services free of charge by calling the Missouri customer service:
 - o 1-800-772-9476
 - Choose the option for a customer service representative
 - Tell the representative that you are from Missouri

- If a test taker cancels or reschedules a test online, they may incur a fee.
- You cannot change the actual test you signed up for
 - Example: Early Childhood cannot be changed to Elementary Education

Remember to Share

Before paying, enter the SEMO code to share your results with SEMO. After payment, you can add up to 3 other codes to share your results with. Be sure you use this during sign-up, otherwise it is \$50 to share later. If you are taking the exam out of state, you must choose the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) after payment.

Codes to Use:

SEMO	DESE
RA6655	R7625 OR
OR 6655	7625

All Other Codes

Preparing to Test

Study Assistance

The Praxis preparation page: https://praxis.ets.org/test-takers/resources-strategies.html

Free:

- Interactive Practice Tests
 - Free with purchase of test
 - 90 days or 10 uses, whichever comes first
- Study Companion
 - Outline categories, percentage covered on the test, standards being met, question format examples
- Curriculum Crosswalk
 - Connect courses with categories on the test

Cost:

- Study.com through ETS/Praxis site
 - When registering for a Praxis exam the option to purchase study prep from study.com will be offered
- 240 Tutoring
 - o 240 Tutoring Discount Code
 - Credit for lessons
 - It is recommended that candidates should use this credit 30 days prior to taking the Praxis exam. Completing all lessons and taking the 3-practice test will be very helpful when taking the Praxis exam. Please note that you must complete the lessons to be fully prepared.

Other Notables

After the Test

Passed

- Preliminary Score at completion in-person
- Official Score
 - Posted on Praxis Account the second Friday of the month
 - As long as it is at least 7 days out from the Friday
 - DESE will take longer to post

Not Passed

• 28 days before can be attempted again

Multiple Attempts

- First 2 attempts will need to be paid for
- 3rd-4th attempts are eligible for fee waiver
 - Initial endorsement area only
 - Only for students about 75% through an initial program
 - o GPA at least 3.00 in content
 - There is an application process
 - Request **BEFORE** signing up
 - If more than one test is needed, a request needs to be submitted for each one.
- Further attempts are no longer eligible for the waiver

Re-Test Voucher Request Process

- Candidate must submit a request to the Certification Officer through email csco@semo.edu
- · Certification Officer will confirm candidate's eligibility
 - If eligible, a letter will be created
- SEMO representative must submit request to MO.praxisretakes@ets.org
 - The candidate will be copied on the email

Test Links & Qualifying Scores

Test costs and qualifying scores vary. Official costs and qualifying scores are posted on Praxis website: https://praxis.ets.org/state-requirements/missouri-tests.html

Contacts

The Praxis is offered through a third-party company. If you have trouble with signing up, your testing account, or an online test, you will need to contact Praxis/ETS at https://praxis.ets.org/contact.html.

For questions about SEMO's in-person testing contact:

SEMO Testing Center Kent Library Room 108 (573) 651-2836 testingservices@semo.edu https://semo.edu/testing/