Preparing Educators

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Application Checklist for Teacher Candidates

Prerequisites for Admission to Teacher Education Program

The application to the Teacher Education Program is considered by the Education Department in June after the sophomore year or January of the junior year. Candidates may be considered for admission once they have earned 48 credit hours and meet all prerequisites for admission. When post-baccalaureate candidates apply for admission to the Teacher Education Program, their post-baccalaureate grade point average will be used for admission purposes if they have earned 8 or more post-graduate credit hours at Furman and/or elsewhere.

☐ Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading (Test Code 5712); Writing (Test Code 5722); and Mathematics (Test Code 5732) to be successfully passed prior to junior year. Select Core Academic Skills for Educators: Combined (Test Code 5751). Cost is $150.

Note: Students who have not successfully passed Praxis Core Academic Skills for Reading, Writing, and Mathematics may not continue to enroll in upper-level methods courses in the fall of their junior year.

To register, visit Educational Testing Service at http://www.ets.org/praxis/ As part of registration, please list Furman University (Code 5222) as a score recipient. Test dates and test center locations are provided on the ETS web site.

Qualifying Scores for South Carolina -- Reading: 156; Writing: 158; Mathematics: 142

Exemption: Qualifying scores on the SAT or ACT can be used in place of taking Praxis Core, as follows:

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☐ Grade of “C” or above in EDU 111/EDU 001 field experience, EDU-120, and EDU-221

☐ Dispositions Growth Assessment completed for EDU-221

☐ Recommendation from the major department (secondary, foreign language, and music candidates only) – recommendation request is made by the Education Department

☐ Per South Carolina Department of Education guidelines, for students who entered Furman during and after the 2015-16 academic year, a cumulative grade-point average of at least a 2.75, and a minimum grade-point average of 2.75 in the major (Class of 2019 and after); and for students who entered Furman during the 2014-15 academic year, a cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.6, and minimum grade-point average of 2.6 in the major (Class of 2018).
Grade of “C” or above in all professional education courses and all courses required of music education, foreign languages, and secondary licensure

Clearance based on reports from the Office of Student Life and the Office of Academic Affairs

Demonstration of ethical and professional dispositions

Note: For all candidates, professional education courses include EDU 111, EDU 120, EDU 221, required methods courses, EDU 505 (teaching internship for music candidates completed spring term of senior year) or EDEP 670 (teaching internship for elementary, secondary, and languages candidates completed Fall term after graduation). For elementary education majors, the courses include all courses required of the major plus the required ancillary courses: Mathematics (MTH 301 and MTH 302) and health sciences (HSC 200).