

Ouachita Baptist University

Testing required for licensure in the state of Arkansas is integrated with our teacher education program. Program completers must meet Arkansas minimum scores on all required tests. For admission to the Professional Semester with student teaching, candidates must successfully complete Praxis II content tests.

While candidates may take the required tests more than once, the 31 candidates who completed student teaching in 2023-2024 had a 100% pass rate on Praxis II and 100% on Elementary Foundations of Reading (elementary majors only) and a cumulative GPA average of 3.495.

1 Year Pass Rates on ETS Praxis Tests Test Year: September 2023 – August 2024

Test Name	Total	#	%
	N	Pass	Pass
Art: Content Knowledge (5134/0134)	2	*	*
Early Childhood Education (5025/0025)	1	*	*
Education of Young Children (5024/0024)	1	*	*
Elem Ed: MS Mathematics Subtest (5003/0003)	11	10	90.91
Elem Ed: MS Reading Lang Arts Subtest (5002/0002)	12	11	91.67
Elem Ed: MS Science Subtest (5005/0005)	14	13	92.86
Elem Ed: MS Social Studies Subtest (5004/0004)	13	12	92.31
English Lang Arts: Content Knowledge (5038/0038)	2	*	*
English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362/0362)	1	*	*
Fundamental Subject: Content Knowledge (5511/0511)	1	*	*
Geometry (5163/0163)	2	*	*
Health and Phys Ed: Content Knowledge (5857/0857)	5	4	80.00
Mathematics (5165/0165)	3	*	*
Middle School English Language Arts (5047/0047)	2	*	*
Middle School Mathematics (5164/0164)	2	*	*
Middle School Science (5442/0442)	2	*	*
Middle School Social Studies (5089/0089)	4	*	*
Music: Content Knowledge (5113/0113)	4	*	*
Music: Instrumental and Gen Knowledge (5115/0115)	1	*	*
Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081/0081)	4	*	*
Special Ed: Core Knowledge & Applic (5354/0354)	2	*	*
Speech Communication: Content Knowldg (5221/0221)	1	*	*

Graduation Rates	Candidates- Admitted Gates 1-4	Candidates in Gate 4 – Completers	Graduation %
2023-2024	106	31	100%

Gates for the Teacher Education Program

Gate 1 includes admission to the Teacher Education Program. Requirements include the following:

- 2.7 GPA
- C or better in Composition 1, a required math course, and all education courses
- A complete application
- An essay describing the student's call to teach
- A Self-Evaluation
- Three faculty evaluations

Gate 2 is admission to the Professional Semester with Student Teaching

- Must pass the Praxis II before student teaching
- 2.7 GPA
- Must score 75 percent or higher on a formal Initial Portfolio Presentation

Gate 3 is completion of the Professional Semester with Student Teaching

- Must score 75 percent or higher on a Teacher Work Sample
- Must score 80 percent or higher on a formal Post Portfolio Presentation and Interview
- Must score Effective (2.51-3.50) on 8 TESS evaluations

Gate 4 is completion of Program and Licensure Requirements

- Qualify for graduation