



Teacher Education Program (RCOE) Information

History/Social Studies Education majors will need to apply for admission to the Teacher Education program in the [Reich College of Education](#) (RCOE). This application usually takes place between the 3rd semester (late Sophomore year) and 5th semester (late Junior year). Admission is required in order to take advanced Education courses such as SPE 3300, CI 3400, CI 3100, and student teaching (CI 4900).

Helpful Advice: the following education courses may be taken *before* application and formal admission to RCOE's Teacher Education program: CI 2300, FDN 2400, and PSY 3010.

All History/Social Studies Education majors graduate with the [College of Arts & Sciences](#), not the College of Education. However, admission to the Teacher Education program is a requirement for any student seeking a 9-12 licensure. [More details on the application process](#) to RCOE are located at: <https://rcoe.appstate.edu/students/apply-reich-college-education>. If you have questions, or issues with the application process, contact Donna Bly, Program Associate & Advisor for HEP (Office 214G, Anne Belk) or by email at: historyeducation@appstate.edu

Requirements for Admission to RCOE's Teacher Education Program

Application Pre-requisites

In order to apply, you must meet all of the pre-requisites:

- A current [Criminal Background Check](#) (within 6 months of your application)
- Cumulative GPA of 2.7 or higher
- 45 semester hours or more
- A grade of "C" or better in ENG 1000, FDN 2400, & CI 2300; No "Incomplete"
- Passing admissions test scores as appropriate (see "Test Scores")

Students apply for student teaching [via TK20](#) one year (two semesters) before they begin their internship. To student teach in fall semester, the application deadline is usually **November 1** of the preceding fall semester, and **April 1** of the preceding spring semester.

Test Scores

The required test for admission to the Reich College of Education is the Praxis CORE, or PRAXIS I. *Some* students are exempt from this requirement thanks to their SAT or ACT scores:

Praxis CORE Passing Scores

- Reading: 156 or higher
- Writing: 162 or higher
- Math: 150 or higher
- **Combined: 468 or higher**



SAT & ACT Scores (for exemption)

If you took the new SAT after March 2016:

- 1170 or higher on the SAT combined Evidence-Based Reading/Writing and Math (Optional essay scores are not counted)

If you took the old SAT before March 2016:

- 1100 or higher on the SAT combined Verbal & Math (Writing scores are not — counted)

If you took the ACT:

- 24 or higher Composite score

If you did **not** earn a SAT or ACT exemption score, you **may still be exempt from one or two sections** of the test:

- Praxis CORE Reading *and* Writing exemption
 - Old SAT Verbal score of 550 or higher
 - New SAT Evidence-Based Reading/Writing score of 600 or higher
 - ACT English score of 24 or higher
- Praxis CORE Math exemption
 - Old SAT Math score of 550 or higher
 - New SAT Math score of 570 or higher
 - ACT Math score of 24 or higher

**The old SAT Writing score is not considered in either the total SAT score nor is it a way to be exempted from the Praxis CORE Writing.*

***ACT and SAT scores cannot be combined according to NC state policy. ***

If you have any questions about PRAXIS I (Core) or exemptions, or need any help or tutoring for PRAXIS I (Core), visit the [James Center](#) located on the first floor of the RCOE building and visit their [PRAXIS help website](#).

A Final Word

RCOE Regulations

- Although students can be admitted to the teacher education program anytime after completing 45 semester hours, the absolute last semester for admission is one full semester **before** student teaching (not counting summers).
 - Look for announcements via email, Twitter (@AppState_HistEd) and on our HEP webpage: <http://history.appstate.edu/historyeducation>.
- Students must earn a "C" or better in all of the required education courses: CI 2300, FDN 2400, PSY 3010, SPE 3300, CI 3400, and CI 3100.
- All education courses must be successfully completed **prior** to student teaching.

Visit the RCOE Office of Field Placement's [Student Teaching page](#) for any information or questions related to the student teaching process