### 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.

- **Praxis One for candidates who do not meet the exemption* requirements** – South Carolina minimum scores mandated by the South Carolina State Board of Education on the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST, Praxis One) in Reading (175) Mathematics (172) and Writing (173) to be taken no later than Fall Term of the junior year.

  *Exemption:* Teacher candidates who attain an 1100 or above on the two-part SAT or a comparable score of 24 on the ACT are not required to take the Praxis One; teacher candidates who attain a 1650 or above on the three-part SAT taken after March 1, 2005 are also exempt.

You may register online for paper-based or computerized-based testing at [http://www.ets.org/praxis/](http://www.ets.org/praxis/)

As part of registration, please list Furman University (Code 5222) as one of the recipients of the score report.

For the nearest computer-based testing center in Greenville for Praxis One, the Prometric Testing Center is located off of Pelham Road in the Eastside Medical Center at the corner of Enterprise Boulevard and Brendon Way. Brendon Way is the first street to the right on Pelham Road after the Pelham Road/Haywood Road intersection. The Eastside Medical Center is the second building on your left when you turn onto Brendon Way (a bank is the first building). The Prometric Testing Center is in Suite 100 and can be accessed at the back entrance of the building.

**Hours of Operation:** 8:00 – 5:00 p.m. (Monday – Saturday); Telephone: 676-1506

- Grade of “C” or above in EDU 111/EDU 001 field experience and EDU 120
- Dispositions and Field Experience Evaluation for EDU 120 completed by the Cooperating Teacher and Course Instructor
- Recommendation from the major department (secondary, foreign language, and music candidates only) – recommendation request is made by the Education Department
- Cumulative grade-point average of at least a 2.5, and a minimum grade-point average of 2.5 in the major
- Grade of “C” or above in all **professional education courses** and all courses required of music education, foreign languages, and secondary certification
- Elementary candidates **only**: a score of 235 or above on the science and social studies sections of the CBASE basic skills test
- Clearance based on reports from the Office of Student Life and the Office of Academic Affairs
- Demonstration of ethical and professional dispositions related to the program’s conceptual framework

*Note: Candidates may be considered for admission once they have earned 48 credit hours and meet all prerequisites for admission.*

### Prerequisites for Early Experience (Mid-August after Junior Year)

- Grade of “C” or above in EDU 221

*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: In the fine arts (ART 240, MUS 430, or THA 440); mathematics (MTH 301 and MTH 302), and health sciences (HSC 251).