

**UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA INSTITUTIONS TO RAISE PRAXIS PPST ADMISSION
STANDARDS
FOR TEACHER EDUCATION**

Starting with summer 2005, University of Louisiana Institutions (UL Lafayette is a member) will require a two point increase above the state minimum on the Reading, Writing, and the Mathematics parts of the Praxis I PPST examination for students applying to the MAT program.

On May 30, 2003, the UL Board passed the "Renewed Guarantee for Teacher Quality and Student Achievement in Louisiana". The proclamation states that " 1. UL System Institutions raise Praxis I qualifying scores in the areas of reading , writing, and mathematics up to four points for all teacher education programs in Louisiana via a modest phasing in over a three year period (Year 1 - Two point increase, year 2 - observation year; year 3 - up to an additional two point increase)."

This new policy for just University of Louisiana Universities goes into effect with the freshman class entering the summer session of 2004. Transfer and alternate program students will be required to comply with the new cut off scores beginning with the summer session of 2005. The first phase-in of the new Praxis I scores required for entry into Teacher Education Programs at all UL System institutions are as follows:

Reading	174
Writing	173
Mathematics	172