


## **SECONDARY: Certification Information/ Licensing**


*The following information (updated 8/19) is based on current guidelines issued by the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE).*

### **Certification: Secondary Education (7-12)**

Secondary Education majors will take two Praxis exams to be highly qualified:

 Specialty Area Praxis – Take the Praxis II exam in **your degree program** content area. The different secondary content degree program tests are listed below:

Biology (5235)  
Chemistry (5245)  
English (5038)  
Mathematics (5161)  
Physics (5265)  
Social Studies (5081)

 Principles of Learning and Teaching 7-12: 5624

For more information on registering for Praxis exams go to:  
<https://www.ets.org/praxis/ms/requirements/>

**Additional endorsements** may be added to your license through 21 hours of content area coursework with a grade of “C” or better **OR** through successful completion of a specialty area Praxis exam.

To learn more about these options, go to the Mississippi Department of Educator Licensure link at: <https://www.mdek12.org/OEL> and then click on “How To Add An Endorsement To My License”

### **Questions regarding licensure may be directed to:**

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