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RE: Assessment of Pre-Professional Skills Update

As you know, new required scores for Pre-Professional Skills Tests were enacted in October 2009. The timing of the new policy caused some confusion for programs. I hope the information below clarifies what is required.

Test Name	Proposed Passing Score	
	Fall 2010	Fall 2011
Praxis I PPST or C-PPST	Math 175 Reading 175 Writing 173 Composite score of 523 with no test score more than 3 points below the cut	Math 179 Reading 179 Writing 177 Composite score of 535 with no test score more than 3 points below the cut
SAT	1100 Composite 500 verbal; 500 math	1150 Composite 530 verbal; 530 math
ACT	22 Reading 19 Math	24 Reading 20 Math
GRE	1050 Composite	1100 Composite With no less than 465 verbal and 584 quantitative
<p>Candidates applying to post-baccalaureate degree or non-degree programs are not required to take the Praxis I tests if they have achieved a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 as an undergraduate. Additionally, if a candidate has already completed a Master's degree with a cumulative GPA of 3.0, Pre-Professional Skills tests are not required.</p>		
Waiver	<p>In rare instances, programs may offer a conditional acceptance for a candidate not meeting all entrance requirements. These candidates must be provided with appropriate support to successfully remediate the area of need prior to program completion, including successfully completing all admission requirements. Programs may determine waiver protocols to meet this expectation. The number of waivers granted and other relevant data will be reported to RIDE annually.</p>	