

PROGRAM ADMISSION ASSESSMENT

Per GaPSC rules, passing or exempting the Program Admission Assessment (PAA) is required for all candidates admitted into an educator preparation program at Valdosta State University. Students are able to either pass the PAA or exempt through several methods. Table 1 shows the number of admits who passed the PAA or their method of exemption. Table 2 looks more closely at admitted students who passed the PAA by reporting their performance on each of the three tests.

Table 1

Academic Year of Admission	# of Admits	# and % of Candidates by Method of Meeting PAA Requirement					
		No Exemption (Passed GACE Program Admission Assessment)	SAT	ACT	GRE	Out-of-State Equivalent	Other*
2017-18	244	92 (37.7%)	65 (26.6%)	44 (18.0%)	7 (2.9%)	0 (0.0%)	36 (14.8%)
2018-19	230	77 (33.5%)	69 (30.0%)	51 (22.2%)	7 (3.0%)	0 (0.0%)	26 (11.3%)
2019-20	195	66 (33.8%)	64 (32.8%)	33 (16.9%)	2 (1.0%)	0 (0.0%)	30 (15.4%)

*Passed Praxis I, Already Georgia Certified, COVID-19 Waiver, CTAE candidate, or Passed Basic Skills Assessment

Note: Valdosta State University does not offer the Limited Flexibility Exemption or the 5% cohort rule for its applicants.

Table 2

Academic Year of Admission	# of Admits Passing PAA	Mean Score			Minimum	Maximum	Standard Deviation		
		Reading	Math	Writing			Reading	Math	Writing
2017-18	92	269.15	260.15	260.03	250 (R & M)	300 (R)	12.05	8.37	6.83
2018-19	77	268.42	262.01	260.13	250 (R,M,W)	298 (R)	13.57	8.66	7.96
2019-20	66	272.67	265.80	260.80	250 (M & W)	300 (R & M)	12.97	13.30	7.98