3-Pronged Path to Graduation and Certification

The path to GRADUATION and CERTIFICATION requires you to follow a 3-pronged path including the curriculum in your Academic Major, the curriculum in the Education program, and meet State of New Jersey certification requirements all at the same time;

It is essential:; That you work on all 3 prongs at the same time, That you DO NOT ATTEMPT to do 1 prong at a time,And that you seek advising and information from all members of your success team.So you must seek advising from both your 1st major faculty advisor and 2nd major faculty advisor EVERY SEMESTER. (Exceptions: Fine Arts, Music, Theatre, Spanish)That you use your tools to success: curriculum guides and 4-year plans, your Success Team, the resources on this website, and forthcoming Handbook,

TIMELINE for 3 PRONGS	Academic Major Curriculum	Education Curriculum	Certification
Summer 0	Accepted at Kean as "INTENDED" BA Academic Major/K-12 Teacher Cert Major	Accepted at Kean as "INTENDED" BA Academic Major/K- 12 Teacher Cert Major	
FIRST YEAR			

FALLTake courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4-year Plan for your Intended Academic Major.; Maintain MINIMUM GPA 3.0; Complete (in Fall or Spring of Freshman or Sophomore Year); ENG 1030 ;minimum B-); COMM 1402;(minimum B-); BIO 1000 (minimum C); MATH 1000 or above (minimum C)	Take courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4- year Plan.; Apply through Education Advisor to formally " Declare " Major when PRAXIS CORE is passed	Pass PRAXIS CORE before completion of EMSE 2801 (Spring of Sophomore Year);	
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			Praxis Core is an academic skills test where you are evaluated on Reading, Writing, and Math proficiency. It is recommended that you take Praxis Core any time prior to completion of EMSE 2801. You can take Praxis Core as early as freshman year, but no later than the semester prior to declaration.;You must pass PRAXIS CORE before starting Education Curriculum with minimum scores outlined below;;Reading (Test #5712): 156; Writing (Test #5712): 156; Writing (Test #5722): 162; Math (Test 5732): 150; NOTE: PRAXIS exams are not free. Expect to pay \$90 for Reading, Writing, and Math EACH, or \$150 for all three.; PRAXIS registration: ;PRAXIS Study Resources:; Khan Academy and Official Praxis Core Prep ;PRAXIS General Resources ;ETS Praxis Bulletin:;CHANGE OF UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR/MINOR FORM
SPRING	Take courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4-year Plan for your Intended Academic Major.; Maintain MINIMUM GPA 3.0;	Take courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4- year Plan.; Apply through Education Advisor to formally " Declare " Major when PRAXIS CORE is passed	Pass PRAXIS CORE before completion of EMSE 2801 (Spring of Sophomore Year);

	Complete (in Fall or Spring of Freshman or Sophomore Year);		See above for explanation and resources.
	ENG 1030 (minimum B-);COMM 1402 (minimum B-); BIO 1000 (minimum C);		
	MATH 1000 or above (minimum C)		
Summer	Use Summer to re-take any first-year courses not passed	Pass PRAXIS CORE (if not already done)	See above
Am I ready to APPLY for my SUBSTITUTE Teacher Certification?	Have you completed 30 credit hours towards your degree?; If you answered YES to this question, you can apply for your Substitute Teacher Certification at this link: Application for Substitute Teacher Certification ;See forthcoming HANDBOOK, Appendix I for additional information.		

Am I ready to DECLARE?	Am I ready to DECLARE?; Can you answer YES to ALL of these questions?; GPA 3.0 or Higher?;Completed ENG 1030 with B- or better?;Completed COMM 1402 with B- or better?;Completed BIO 1000 with C or better?;Completed MATH 1000 (or higher) with C or better?;Passed PRAXIS CORE exams Reading (Test #5712) 156 or higher; Writing (Test #5722) 162 or higher; Math (Test 5732) 150 or higher?;If you answered YES to ALL of these questions, consult the forthcoming HANDBOOK for detailed checklists and additional information; schedule an appointment with your EDUCATION advisor at which time you will DECLARE via Change of Undergraduate Major/Minor Status Form		
SECOND YEAR	Academic Major Curriculum	Education Curriculum	Certification
FALL	Take courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4-year Plan for your Intended Academic Major (English, History, etc).; Maintain MINIMUM GPA 3.0; Complete (in Fall or Spring of Freshman or Sophomore Year); ENG 1030 (minimum B-); COMM 1402 (minimum B-); BIO 1000 (minimum C); MATH 1000 or above (minimum C	Take courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4- year Plan including:; EMSE 2801: Sophomore Field (Fall or Spring); ID 2052: Human	Pass PRAXIS CORE before completion of EMSE 2801 (Spring of Sophomore Year) (see above links and resources); Apply for Substitute Teacher Certification; Application for Substitute Teacher Credential

		Exceptionality (Fall or Spring); PSY 2110: Adolescent Psychology (Fall or Spring); Apply through Education Advisor to formally "Declare" Major when PRAXIS CORE is passed:; CHANGE OF UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR/MINOR FORM	
SPRING	Take courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4-year Plan for your Intended Academic Major (English, History, etc).; Maintain MINIMUM GPA 3.0; Complete (in Fall or Spring of Freshman or Sophomore Year); ENG 1030 (minimum B-); COMM 1402 (minimum B-);	Take education curriculum courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4- year Plan, including:; EMSE 2801: Sophomore Field; ID 2052: Human	Pass PRAXIS CORE before completion of EMSE 2801 (Spring of Sophomore Year); See helpful PRAXIS CORE links above.; Application for Substitute Teacher Credential

	MATH 1000 or above (minimum C)	Exceptionality (Fall or Spring); PSY 2110: Adolescent Psychology (Fall or Spring); Apply through Education Advisor to formally "Declare" Major when PRAXIS CORE is passed: CHANGE OF UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR/MINOR FORM	
SUMMER	Use Summer to re-take any first-year or second-year courses not passed		

Am I ready to DECLARE?

Am I ready to DECLARE?; Can you answer YES to ALL of these questions?; GPA 3.0 or Higher?; Completed ENG 1030 with B- or better?; Completed COMM 1402 with B- or better?; Completed BIO 1000 with C or better?; Completed MATH 1000 (or higher) with C or better?; Passed PRAXIS CORE exams Reading (Test #5712) 156 or higher; Writing (Test #5722) 162 or higher; Math (Test 5732) 150 or higher?; If you answered YES to ALL of these questions, consult the forthcoming HANDBOOK for detailed checklists and additional information; schedule an appointment with your EDUCATION advisor at which time you will DECLARE via Change of Undergraduate Major/Minor Status Form

I TRANSFERRED to Kean with my Associates Degree. How do I start this curriculum?	How do I start the curriculum as a TRANSFER student?; You should reach out to BOTH your Academic Major Faculty Advisor AND your Education Advisor as soon as you are admitted to plan your courses for the upcoming semester.; If you have not already done so, you should register for and pass PRAXIS CORE exams Reading (Test #5712) 156 or higher; Writing (Test #5722) 162 or higher; Math (Test 5732) 150 or higher.		
THIRD YEAR	Academic Major Curriculum	Education Curriculum	Certification
FALL	Take courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4-year Plan for your Academic Major (English, History, etc).; Maintain MINIMUM GPA 3.0	Take education curriculum courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4- year Plan:;	

		EDUC 3000: Curriculum, Evaluation, & the Learner; EDUC 3401: Language Arts	
SPRING	Take courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4-year Plan for your Academic Major (English, History, etc); *History students should take HIST 3000, PRAXIS II Prep Course; Maintain MINIMUM GPA 3.0	Take education curriculum courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4- year Plan ; EMSE 3903: Teaching English Language Learners; EMSE 3122: Technology in Education; Apply	Pass PRAXIS II in your Academic Major area.; PRAXIS II must be passed prior to Clinical II (Spring semester of Senior Year);

	for Clinical I; Clinical I must be taken with co-requisite Education Courses (select with advisement)	NOTE: PRAXIS exams are not free. Expect to pay \$130-\$175, depending on the test subject, for PRAXIS II.; PRAXIS Flexibility Rules; Submit PRAXIS II Scores to Education Advisor and Office of Clinical Practice and Teacher Placement (add link); Apply for Clinical I; Office of Clinical Practice and Teacher Placement Kean University; For Clinical I and II Placement questions, contact: ;Susan Kandell, Managing Assistant Director; Hennings Hall 211; Phone: (908) 737- 3790; Email: coepo@kean.edu or skandell@kean.edu; New Jersey: Test Requirements - Praxis; Kean COE Resource page:
SUMMER	Submit PRAXIS II Scores to Education Advisor and Office of Clinical Practice and Teacher Placement	Pass PRAXIS II in your Academic area (if not already done)

Am I ready to APPLY for CLINICAL I?	Am I ready to apply for Clinical I?; Can you answer YES to ALL of the following questions?; I have formally DECLARED as a Teacher Cert major?; I have completed 60 credit hours?; I have completed or am completing EMSE 2801?; If you answered YES to ALL of the questions, you should receive an invitation to apply for Clinical Practice I from the Office of Clinical Practice in mid semester . If you did not receive an invitation, contact Susan Kandell, Managing Assistant Director, Hennings Hall 211, Phone: (908) 737-3790, Email: coepo@kean.edu or skandell@kean.edu, ASAP .; Make an appointment with your EDUCATION advisor to obtain approval to register for and apply to Clinical Practice I for the following semester.; Candidates should immediately get fingerprinted, complete a criminal background check, and apply for a substitute credential (https://www.nj.gov/education/license/sub/ and click on the link for " Process to Apply for A Substitute or CTE Substitute Credential."); Candidates must also submit a copy of their PRAXIS score report to the Office of Clinical Practice before the end of the semester.; For detailed information about Clinical I, see forthcoming HANDBOOK.		
FOURTH YEAR	Academic Major Curriculum	Education Curriculum	Certification
Fourth Year: FALL	Maintain MINIMUM GPA 3.0; Take Academic Capstone Course (cannot be taken with Clinical II); Take other courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4-year Plan for your Academic Major (English, History, etc)	Clinical I must be taken with co- requisite Education Courses (select with advisement);	Pass PRAXIS II in your Academic area (if not already done); Must pass PRAXIS II before registering for Clinical II;

	Must take Clinical I and Clinical II in contiguous semesters; Clinical II placements do not require a formal application. Once a student passes PRAXIS II, (CLINICAL1)	Submit PRAXIS II Scores to Education Advisor and Office of Clinical Practice and Teacher Placement;
	students are automatically placed for Clinical 2, pending the passing of PRAXIS 2.	Must take Clinical I and Clinical II in contiguous semesters; Clinical II placements do not require a formal application. Once a student passes PRAXIS II, (CLINICAL1)
		students are automatically placed for Clinical 2, pending the passing of PRAXIS 2.

Prepping for Clinical II:	I am passing Clinical I. What do I need to do to apply for Clinical II?; Clinical I and Clinical II must be taken in contiguous semesters AND in the final two semesters prior to graduation.; Once you have passed PRAXIS II, you are automatically placed in Clinical II.;If you have not already done so, SUBMIT PRAXIS II scores to Education Advisor and Office of Clinical Practice and Teacher Placement		
FOURTH YEAR	Academic Major	Education Curriculum	Certification
		Take education curriculum courses as suggested on Curriculum Sheet/4- year Plan, including:;	Complete and Pass edTPA; "What is edTPA?": edTPA Kean University;
Fourth Year: SPRING	DO NOT take academic content courses WHILE you are taking EMSE 4811 Clinical II	EMSE 4811: Clinical II; EDUC 4000 or SPED 4200 (for TSD); Complete and Pass edTPA	All candidates submitting edTPA in a particular semester are required to submit the completed Kean edTPA Support Guidelines available through Chalk & Wire.; edTPA Information;

		For additional information, contact:; Sehba Mahmood, Ph.D.; Coordinator of edTPA at Kean University; Telephone (908) 737-3856; Email emahmoo@kean.edu
Graduation and Certification	Apply for Graduation via Registrar (January for May graduation); Graduation Application	Apply for certification; Teacher Certification Application