Use these resources to:

- Prepare for the Praxis Core Writing exam
- Aid you in writing your teaching philosophy statement
- Aid you in written assignments required for Teacher Education

NEW!!! Practice materials are available through Kahn Academy at https://www.khanacademy.org/prep/praxis-core.

Help with Mechanics (Grammar, spelling, etc.)

- If you are struggling with mechanics, there is a grammar diagnostic you can use to test yourself and build your skills at http://www.world-english.org/diagnostic_grammar_1.htm.
- For a review of sentence structure see http://www.cccc.edu/studentservices/placementtesting/studyguides/pdfs/sentence-placement.pdf.
- For exercises in writing mechanics (spelling, grammar, sentence structure, etc.) see: https://owl.english.purdue.edu/exercises/

Help with the Writing Process—getting started, grammar mechanics, revision, etc.

- BYU Writing Center handouts: http://writingcenter.byu.edu/services/handouts
- Purdue Owl’s site on the writing process: https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/587/01/

Praxis Writing Exam Study Tools Available at the CMU Library

Access Praxis preparation materials at http://libguides.coloradomesa.edu/education

1. Under the CMU library menu select Research Guides
2. Select Teacher Education
3. Select Education Resources
4. Select Praxis Study Guides
5. Find the Praxis Core study guides at the bottom
   a. One is an online guide
   b. The other two are hard copies you can get in the CMU Library

Proofreading and Revision Checklists & Tips

- Revision Checklist: http://writingcenter.unc.edu/faculty-resources/classroom-handouts/revision-checklist/
- Guidelines and Revision Strategies: https://my.hamilton.edu/academics/centers/writing/writing-resources/revision-strategies
- Hamilton College’s Seven Deadly Sins of Writing: https://my.hamilton.edu/academics/centers/writing/seven-sins-of-writing
- Copywriter advice: http://positionly.com/blog/copywriting/tips-improve-editing-skills
- Proofreading advice: http://grammar.about.com/od/improveyourwriting/a/tipsproofreading.htm

Tips for Research Projects and Papers:

- Create a Writing Plan: http://www.umuc.edu/current-students/learning-resources/writing-center/online-guide-to-writing/tutorial/appendix_d/apxd-01.html
- Quick Research Writing Paper Tips: https://www.nmu.edu/writingcenter/tips-writing-research-paper

Writing in the Education Discipline:

- Writing in Education – Richmond: http://writing2.richmond.edu/writing/wweb/education/
- Writing for Education – Columbia College http://www.columbiasc.edu/wid/academic-areas/writing-for-education