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Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

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List of Programs

List each program for an initial teaching credential below and indicate whether it is offered at the Undergraduate level (UG), Postgraduate level (PG), or both. [\(§205\(a\)\(C\)\)](#)

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- [Teacher Preparation Program](#)

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List of Programs

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CIP Code	Teacher Preparation Programs	UG, PG, or Both	Update
13.1202	Elementary Education	UG	
13.1203	Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education and Teaching	UG	
13.1	Special Education	UG	
13.1301	Teacher Education - Agriculture	UG	
13.1302	Teacher Education - Art	UG	
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	UG	
13.1316	Teacher Education - General Science	UG	
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	UG	
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	UG	
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	UG	
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	UG	
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	UG	

Total number of teacher preparation programs:

12

Check the elements required for admission (entry) into and completion (exit) from the program. If programs are offered at the undergraduate level and postgraduate level, complete the table for both types of programs. [\(\\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(i\)\)](#)

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

- >> [Undergraduate Requirements](#)
- >> [Postgraduate Requirements](#)
- >> [Supervised Clinical Experience](#)

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- [Full-time equivalent faculty supervising clinical experience](#)
- [Adjunct faculty supervising clinical experience](#)
- [Cooperating Teachers/PreK-12 Staff Supervising Clinical Experience](#)
- [Supervised clinical experience](#)

Undergraduate Requirements

Note: This section is preloaded from the prior year's IPRC.

1. Are there initial teacher certification programs at the undergraduate level?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, for each element listed below, indicate if it is required for admission into or exit from any of your teacher preparation program(s) at the undergraduate level. If no, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)) then click save at the bottom of the page.

Element	Admission	Completion
Transcript	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ Yes ☐ No
Fingerprint check	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ Yes ☐ No
Background check	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ Yes ☐ No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ Yes ☐ No
Minimum GPA	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ Yes ☐ No
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	☐ Yes ☒ No	☒ Yes ☐ No
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ Yes ☐ No
Minimum ACT score	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Yes ☒ No
Minimum SAT score	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Yes ☒ No
Minimum basic skills test score	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Yes ☒ No
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Yes ☒ No
Recommendation(s)	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Yes ☒ No

Element	Admission	Completion
Essay or personal statement	☒ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☒ No
Interview	☒ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☒ No
Other Specify: Entry: Educator Dispositions Assessment; Exit: Portfolio	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ Yes ☐ No

2. What is the minimum GPA required for admission into the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

2.7

3. What is the minimum GPA required for completing the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

2.7

4. Please provide any additional information about the information provided above:

Postgraduate Requirements

Note: This section is preloaded from the prior year’s IPRC.

1. Are there initial teacher certification programs at the postgraduate level?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If yes, for each element listed below, indicate if it is required for admission into or exit from any of your teacher preparation program(s) at the postgraduate level. If no, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)) then click save at the bottom of the page.

Element	Admission	Completion
Transcript	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Fingerprint check	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Background check	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Minimum GPA	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Minimum ACT score	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Minimum SAT score	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Minimum basic skills test score	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No

Element	Admission	Completion
Recommendation(s)	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Essay or personal statement	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Interview	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Other Specify: 	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No

2. What is the minimum GPA required for admission into the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

3. What is the minimum GPA required for completing the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

4. Please provide any additional information about the information provided above:

Supervised Clinical Experience

Note: The clinical experience requirements in this section are preloaded from the prior year’s IPRC. Teacher preparation providers will enter the number of participants each year.

Provide the following information about supervised clinical experience in 2023-24. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(iii\)](#), [§205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(iv\)](#))

Are there programs with student teaching models?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, provide the next two responses. If no, leave them blank.

Programs with student teaching models (most traditional programs)	
Number of clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to student teaching	185
Number of clock hours required for student teaching	600

Are there programs in which candidates are the teacher of record?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, provide the next two responses. If no, leave them blank.

Programs in which candidates are the teacher of record in a classroom during the program (many alternative programs)
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Number of clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to teaching as the teacher of record in a classroom	185
Years required of teaching as the teacher of record in a classroom	0.5

All Programs	
Number of full-time equivalent faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE staff) Optional tool for automatically calculating full-time equivalent faculty in the system	23
Number of adjunct faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE staff)	2
Number of cooperating teachers/K-12 staff supervising clinical experience during this academic year	225
Number of students in supervised clinical experience during this academic year	138

Please provide any additional information about or descriptions of the supervised clinical experiences:

Enrollment and Program Completers

In each of the following categories, provide the total number of individuals enrolled in teacher preparation programs for an initial teaching credential and the subset of individuals enrolled who also completed the program during the academic year.

(§205(a)(1)(C)(ii))

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

>> [Enrollment and Program Completers](#)

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- [Enrolled Student](#)
- [Program Completer](#)

Enrollment and Program Completers

2023-24 Total	
Total Number of Individuals Enrolled	288
Subset of Program Completers	138

Gender	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
Male	72	36
Female	214	100
No Gender Reported	2	2
Race/Ethnicity	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	0
Asian	1	1
Black or African American	20	8
Hispanic/Latino of any race	6	3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0
White	256	125
Two or more races	4	1

Race/Ethnicity	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
No Race/Ethnicity Reported	0	0

On this page, enter the number of program completers by the subject area in which they were prepared to teach, and by their academic majors. Note that an individual can be counted in more than one academic major and subject area. For example, if an individual is prepared to teach Elementary Education and Mathematics, that individual should be counted in both subject areas. If no individuals were prepared in a particular academic major or subject area, you may leave the cell blank. Please use the "Other" category sparingly, if there is no similar subject area or academic major listed. In these cases, you should use the text box to describe the subject area(s) and/or the academic major(s) counted in the "Other" category.

If your IHE offers both traditional and alternative programs, be sure to enter the program completers in the appropriate reports. For the traditional report, provide only the program completers in traditional programs within the IHE. For the alternative report, provide only the program completers for the alternative programs within the IHE.

After entering the teachers prepared data, save the page using the floating save box at the bottom of the page.

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- Academic Major

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

>> Teachers Prepared by Subject Area

>> Teachers Prepared by Academic Major

Teachers Prepared by Subject Area

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by subject area for academic year 2023-24.

For the purposes of this section, number prepared means the number of program completers. "Subject area" refers to the subject area(s) an individual has been prepared to teach. An individual can be counted in more than one subject area. If no individuals were prepared in a particular subject area, please leave that cell blank. (§205(b)(1)(H))

What are CIP Codes?

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No teachers prepared in academic year 2023-24

If your program has no teachers prepared, check the box above and leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

What are CIP codes? The Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) provides a taxonomic scheme that supports the accurate tracking and reporting of fields of study and program completions activity. CIP was originally developed by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) in 1980, with revisions occurring in 1985, 1990, and 2000 (<https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/Default.aspx?y=55>).

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.10	Teacher Education - Special Education	2
13.1202	Teacher Education - Elementary Education	69

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.1203	Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	19
13.1210	Teacher Education - Early Childhood Education	0
13.1301	Teacher Education - Agriculture	4
13.1302	Teacher Education - Art	1
13.1303	Teacher Education - Business	0
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	2
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	1
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	0
13.1308	Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	0
13.1309	Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	0
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	1
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	16
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	11
13.1315	Teacher Education - Reading	0
13.1316	Teacher Education - Science Teacher Education/General Science	0
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Science	12
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	0
13.1320	Teacher Education - Trade and Industrial	0
13.1321	Teacher Education - Computer Science	0
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	0
13.1323	Teacher Education - Chemistry	0
13.1324	Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	0
13.1328	Teacher Education - History	0
13.1329	Teacher Education - Physics	0
13.1331	Teacher Education - Speech	0

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.1337	Teacher Education - Earth Science	0
13.14	Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	0
13.99	Education - Other Specify: 	

Teachers Prepared by Academic Major

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by academic major for academic year 2023-24. For the purposes of this section, number prepared means the number of program completers. "Academic major" refers to the actual major(s) declared by the program completer. An individual can be counted in more than one academic major. If no individuals were prepared in a particular academic major, please leave that cell blank. [\(\\$205\(b\)\(1\)\(H\)\)](#)

Please note that the list of majors includes several "Teacher Education" majors, as well as several noneducation majors. Please use care in entering your majors to ensure education-specific majors and non-education majors are counted correctly. For example, if an individual majored in Chemistry, that individual should be counted in the "Chemistry" academic major category rather than the "Teacher Education–Chemistry" category.

What are CIP Codes?

Does this teacher preparation provider grant degrees upon completion of its programs?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

☐ No teachers prepared in academic year 2023-24

If this provider does not grant participants a degree upon completion, or has no teachers prepared, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
13.10	Teacher Education - Special Education	2
13.1202	Teacher Education - Elementary Education	69
13.1203	Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	19
13.1210	Teacher Education - Early Childhood Education	0
13.1301	Teacher Education - Agriculture	0
13.1302	Teacher Education - Art	0
13.1303	Teacher Education - Business	0
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	2
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	1
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	0

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
13.1308	Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	0
13.1309	Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	0
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	1
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	16
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	11
13.1315	Teacher Education - Reading	0
13.1316	Teacher Education - General Science	0
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Science	12
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	0
13.1320	Teacher Education - Trade and Industrial	0
13.1321	Teacher Education - Computer Science	0
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	0
13.1323	Teacher Education - Chemistry	0
13.1324	Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	0
13.1328	Teacher Education - History	0
13.1329	Teacher Education - Physics	0
13.1331	Teacher Education - Speech	0
13.1337	Teacher Education - Earth Science	0
13.14	Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	0
13.99	Education - Other Specify: 	
01	Agriculture	4
03	Natural Resources and Conservation	0
05	Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	0
09	Communication or Journalism	0

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
11	Computer and Information Sciences	0
12	Personal and Culinary Services	0
14	Engineering	0
16	Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	0
19	Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences	0
21	Technology Education/Industrial Arts	0
22	Legal Professions and Studies	0
23	English Language/Literature	0
24	Liberal Arts/Humanities	0
25	Library Science	0
26	Biological and Biomedical Sciences	0
27	Mathematics and Statistics	0
30	Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	0
38	Philosophy and Religious Studies	0
40	Physical Sciences	0
41	Science Technologies/Technicians	0
42	Psychology	0
44	Public Administration and Social Service Professions	0
45	Social Sciences	0
46	Construction	0
47	Mechanic and Repair Technologies	0
50	Visual and Performing Arts	1
51	Health Professions and Related Clinical Sciences	0
52	Business/Management/Marketing	0
54	History	0

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
99	Other Specify: 	

Respond to the following assurances. Teacher preparation programs should be prepared to provide documentation and evidence, when requested, to support the following assurances. [\(§205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(iii\); §206\(b\)\)](#)

Program Assurances

Note: This section is preloaded from the prior year’s IPRC.

1. Program preparation responds to the identified needs of the local educational agencies or States where the program completers are likely to teach, based on past hiring and recruitment trends.

☒ Yes

☐ No

2. Preparation is closely linked with the needs of schools and the instructional decisions new teachers face in the classroom.

☒ Yes

☐ No

3. Prospective special education teachers are prepared in core academic subjects and to instruct in core academic subjects.

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Program does not prepare special education teachers

4. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to students with disabilities.

☒ Yes

☐ No

5. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to limited English proficient students.

☒ Yes

☐ No

6. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to students from low-income families.

☒ Yes

☐ No

7. Prospective teachers are prepared to effectively teach in urban and rural schools, as applicable.

☒ Yes

☐ No

8. Describe your institution’s most successful strategies in meeting the assurances listed above:

The A-State Educator Preparation Program (EPP) has a Recruitment and Diversity Plan that is aligned to the needs of all of our educators. A-State houses an Educational Renewal Zone (ERZ) office and through this entity A-State is able to identify and incorporate the needs of the local educational agencies where completers teach. Through the use of partner schools, A-State is able to link with the needs of schools and the instructional decisions that new teachers face daily. To assure clinical experiences with diverse student populations, teacher candidates gain three field experiences. These experiences guarantee placements at sites that vary by size and diversity to include working with candidates from under-served populations. Additionally, the A-State EPP collaborates with superintendents, school counselors, and educational cooperative personnel to share valuable scholarships/grants/stipends for students majoring in teacher education and in critical areas of shortage in which our completers are likely to teach.

Annual Goals: Mathematics

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[\(\\$205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), \\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), \\$206\(a\)\)](#)

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Report Progress on Last Year’s Goal (2023-24)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2023-24?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2023-24 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

2. Describe your goal.

1. Develop and plan a summer professional development for faculty in the Department of Mathematics & Statistics as a way to determine mathematical topics that are areas of weakness for BSE Students in relation to the topics covered on the Praxis II. 2. Ramp up active recruitment of Secondary teachers, • flyers distributed to schools • outreach activities. We plan to distribute flyers to schools where alumni of the program are teaching. We feel these teachers may be our best recruiters. Spend more time working with alumni and performing outreach. 3. The Department of Mathematics and Statistics faculty noticed that the BSE Mathematics program does not provide diverse experiences for candidates to learn with technology and representational tools. We plan to work on this in variety of ways. First, the class we are developing for secondary mathematics teachers will involve a technology portion, second, we will be looking at each required math course to see where we could add additional technology learning opportunities. A long term goal is look at designing and implementing a "Teaching Secondary Mathematics with Technology" course that provides candidates with opportunities to use technology in enhance their conceptual understanding of 7-12 mathematics.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

The Department of Mathematics and Statistics has had staff and faculty shortages over the past several semesters. This has made it hard to meet new goals. However, the above stated goals are still part of the departments strategic plan. Met: With a new exam for the Praxis II Math content, we plan to explore problems from Praxis II study materials, focusing on the big conceptual knowledge of the mathematics and create informational sessions for students. - this goal is being met through the Mathematics for Secondary Teachers course. The course focuses on conceptual understanding of

mathematics that is highlighted in the 7-12 curriculum. Topics are chosen to align with the Praxis II and Arkansas Standards. Unmet but making progress: 1. Ramp up active recruitment of Secondary teachers, • flyers distributed to schools • outreach activities. We are actively working on creating these flyers for distribution in the fall 2025 semester. 2. For example the "Try-out the Classroom" course to highlight the field of mathematics education and potentially use it to recruit students into the BSE program. The BSE Science program has been discontinued. This goal will be removed from our list. Unmet: 3. Retention: focus on retention of BSE majors through increasing a sense of community within the major and the department. We will apply to start a NCTM Affiliate Student Group. 4. Improve students' knowledge of incorporating technology into the mathematics classroom through the development of a "Teaching Mathematics with Technology" course.

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

The Mathematics Education faculty will set deadlines for the above goals. It will include subgoals. This will help keep the department focused on and track with meeting the goals.

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

We have only had one student complete the new Praxis II mathematics content exam. She did extremely well. The mathematics education faculty will continue to look into the new exam and practice materials.

Review Current Year's Goal (2024-25)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in mathematics in 2024-25? If no, leave the next question blank.

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

8. Describe your goal.

1. Develop and plan a summer professional development for faculty in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics as a way to determine mathematical topics that are areas of weakness for BSE Students in relation to the topics covered on the Praxis II. 2. Ramp up active recruitment of Secondary teachers, • flyers distributed to schools • outreach activities. We plan to distribute flyers to schools where alumni of the program area teaching. We feel these teachers may be our best recruiters. Spend more time working with alumni and performing outreach. 3. The Department of Mathematics and Statistics faculty noticed that the BSE Mathematics program does not provide diverse experiences for candidates to learn with technology and representational tools. We plan to work on this in a variety of ways. First, the class we are developing for secondary mathematics teachers will involve a technology portion, second, we will be looking at each required math course to see where we could add additional technology learning opportunities. A long term goal is look at designing and implementing a "Teaching Secondary Mathematics with Technology" course that provides candidates with opportunities to use technology in enhance their conceptual understanding of 7-12 mathematics.

Set Next Year's Goal (2025-26)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2025-26? If no, leave the next question blank.

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

10. Describe your goal.

We will continue to work on the goals as outlined in the 23-24 and 24-25 years. We are also in the process of updating our program to include a 1 year

residency for interns. These changes are required by state law and must be implemented by fall 2026.

Annual Goals: Science

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[\(§205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), §205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), §206\(a\)\)](#)

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Report Progress on Last Year’s Goal (2023-24)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in science in 2023-24?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2023-24 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- ☐

Yes
- ☒

No

2. Describe your goal.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- ☐

Yes
- ☐

No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

Review Current Year’s Goal (2024-25)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in science in 2024-25? If no, leave the next question blank.

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

8. Describe your goal.

Set Next Year’s Goal (2025-26)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in science in 2025-26? If no, leave the next question blank.

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

10. Describe your goal.

Annual Goals: Special Education

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route teacher preparation program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.

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Report Progress on Last Year’s Goal (2023-24)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in special education in 2023-24?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2023-24 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

2. Describe your goal.

Goal 1: Increase opportunities for candidates to gain licensure in Special Education by offering academic coursework online blended with clinically-rich teaching experiences through a residency program. Goal 2: Develop additional partnership agreements with participating school districts in historically high-needs geographical areas to recruit candidates from underrepresented populations Goal 3: Align professional learning and support structures with high-leverage practices to promote core instructional practices for improved instructional practices and stronger student outcomes. Goal 4: Require candidates to participate in the Licensure Assessment Ready initiative sponsored by the Arkansas Department of Education to prepare candidates for assessments leading to educator licensure.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

Due to program changes, goals will continue into the 24-25 year.

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

Goal 1: must be completed by Fall 2026. Goal 2: have initiated some courses, but have not implemented them yet. Goal 3 & 4: ongoing goals.

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

Review Current Year's Goal (2024-25)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in special education in 2024-25? If no, leave the next question blank.

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

8. Describe your goal.

Goal 1: Require candidates to transition from Senior semester practicum clinical experiences to year-long residency program beginning Fall 2025. These changes are required by state law and must be implemented by Fall 2026. Goal 2: Begin initiating courses that align with a year-long residency program, such as "Classroom Management and Due Process" courses. These courses enable students to better adjust to real-life challenges they will face in the classroom environment. Goal 3: Require candidates to participate in the test prep initiatives to prepare candidates for assessments leading to educator licensure.

Set Next Year's Goal (2025-26)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in special education in 2025-26? If no, leave the next question blank.

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

10. Describe your goal.

Goal 1: Increase opportunities for candidates to gain licensure in Special Education by offering academic coursework online blended with clinically-rich teaching experiences through a residency program. These changes are required by state law and must be implemented by Fall 2026. Goal 2: Develop additional partnership agreements with participating school districts in historically high-needs geographical areas to recruit candidates from underrepresented populations Goal 3: Align professional learning and support structures with high-leverage practices to promote core instructional practices for improved instructional practices and stronger student outcomes. Goal 4: Require candidates to participate in the Licensure Assessment Ready initiative sponsored by the Arkansas Department of Education to prepare candidates for assessments leading to educator licensure.

Annual Goals: Instruction of Limited English Proficient Students

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route teacher preparation program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.

[\(\\$205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), \\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), \\$206\(a\)\)](#)

Note: Last year’s goal and the current year’s goal are preloaded from the prior year’s IPRC.

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- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

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- >> [Review Current Year’s Goal \(2024-25\)](#)
- >> [Set Next Year’s Goal \(2025-26\)](#)

Report Progress on Last Year’s Goal (2023-24)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2023-24?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2023-24 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

2. Describe your goal.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

Review Current Year’s Goal (2024-25)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2024-25? If no, leave the next question blank.

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

8. Describe your goal.

Set Next Year’s Goal (2025-26)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2025-26? If no, leave the next question blank.

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

10. Describe your goal.

Assessment Pass Rates

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- [Pass rate](#)
- [Scaled score](#)
- [Teacher credential assessment](#)

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Assessment Pass Rates

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5701 -AGRICULTURE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5701 -AGRICULTURE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	4			
ETS5701 -AGRICULTURE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	1			
ETS5134 -ART CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	1			
ETS5134 -ART CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	3			
ETS5101 -BUSINESS ED CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	2			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS0245 -CHEMISTRY CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	2			
ETS5024 -EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	2			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	11	162	10	91
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	3			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	67	166	62	93
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	65	170	56	86
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	76	170	67	88
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	8			
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	3			
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	67	166	63	94
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	65	166	57	88
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	75	170	71	95
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	11	162	10	91
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	3			
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	67	157	59	88

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ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	66	166	56	85
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	75	169	69	92
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	8			
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	3			
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	66	151	52	79
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	65	160	54	83
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	76	162	67	88
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	2			
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	2			
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	7			
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	3			
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	9			
ESP0190 -FOUNDATIONS OF READING Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	5			
ESP0190 -FOUNDATIONS OF READING Evaluation Systems group of Pearson Other enrolled students	1			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ESP0190 -FOUNDATIONS OF READING Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2023-24	66	244	52	79
ESP0190 -FOUNDATIONS OF READING Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2022-23	68	244	56	82
ESP0090 -FOUNDATIONS OF READING Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2021-22	9			
ESP0190 -FOUNDATIONS OF READING Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2021-22	67	249	61	91
ETS5511 -FUNDAMENTAL SUBJECTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	1			
ETS5511 -FUNDAMENTAL SUBJECTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	7			
ETS5511 -FUNDAMENTAL SUBJECTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	5			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	7			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	6			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	11	158	9	82
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	5			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	15	162	13	87
ETS5165 -MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	1			
ETS5165 -MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	1			
ETS5161 -MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	1			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5161 -MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	3			
ETS5047 -MIDDLE SCHOOL ENG LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	6			
ETS5047 -MIDDLE SCHOOL ENG LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	18	162	8	44
ETS5047 -MIDDLE SCHOOL ENG LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	15	163	6	40
ETS5164 -MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5164 -MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	6			
ETS5164 -MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	7			
ETS5169 -MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	2			
ETS5169 -MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	18	166	11	61
ETS5442 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5442 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	7			
ETS5442 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	3			
ETS5442 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	13	157	12	92
ETS5089 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	5			
ETS5089 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	16	160	13	81

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5089 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	14	159	11	79
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	12	165	12	100
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	14	165	14	100
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	12	161	9	75
ETS5115 -MUSIC: INSTRUMENTAL AND GENERAL KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	1			
ETS5115 -MUSIC: INSTRUMENTAL AND GENERAL KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	4			
ETS5116 -MUSIC: VOCAL AND GENERAL KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	3			
ETS5116 -MUSIC: VOCAL AND GENERAL KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	1			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	1			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	7			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	5			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	4			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	11	160	9	82

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS0081 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	4			
ETS0081 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	12	164	12	100
ETS0081 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	3			
ETS5195 -SPANISH WORLD LANGUAGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	1			

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Summary Pass Rates

Group	Number taking tests	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
All program completers, 2023-24	135	107	79
All program completers, 2022-23	147	117	80
All program completers, 2021-22	171	136	80

Low-Performing

Provide the following information about the approval or accreditation of your teacher preparation program. [\(\\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(D\), \\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(E\)\)](#)

Note: This section is preloaded from the prior year's IPRC.

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Low-Performing

1. Is your teacher preparation program currently approved or accredited?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please specify the organization(s) that approved or accredited your program:

- ☒ State
- ☒ CAEP
- ☐ AAQEP
- ☒ Other specify:

HLC

2. Is your teacher preparation program currently under a designation as "low-performing" by the state?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

On this page, review the questions regarding your program's use of technology, and update as needed.

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Use of Technology

1. Provide the following information about the use of technology in your teacher preparation program. Please note that choosing 'yes' indicates that your teacher preparation program would be able to provide evidence upon request. [\(\\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(F\)\)](#)

Does your program prepare teachers to:

a. integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction

☒ Yes

☐ No

b. use technology effectively to collect data to improve teaching and learning

☒ Yes

☐ No

c. use technology effectively to manage data to improve teaching and learning

☒ Yes

☐ No

d. use technology effectively to analyze data to improve teaching and learning

☒ Yes

☐ No

2. Provide a description of the evidence that your program uses to show that it prepares teachers to integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction, and to use technology effectively to collect, manage, and analyze data in order to improve teaching and learning for the purpose of increasing student academic achievement. Include a description of the evidence your program uses to show that it prepares teachers to use the principles of universal design for learning, as applicable. Include planning activities and a timeline if any of the four elements listed above are not currently in place.

A variety of technological applications are taught in the program for teacher candidates to integrate into the curriculum. Teacher candidates are encouraged early in the program to complete badged programs such as Google Certified Educator. Candidates learn a variety of technologies by focusing on the process of creating materials and infusing technology into those materials. Other examples of using technology to target best practices of teaching are: integrating the use of apps; incorporating the use of virtual reality; using interactive whiteboards such as Smartboards and Promethea. Teacher candidates design instruction using Microsoft Office. They get exposure to virtual simulations to complete clinical experiences. Candidates get exposure to gamification strategies, using electronic communication devices, iPads, and/or other mobile devices to aid in instruction. The teacher candidates learn how to use technology tools unconventionally as well as evaluating electronic materials in order to choose the best one for the situation. In their content and pedagogy classes, teacher candidates expand their uses of technology as well as engage in multiple options to maximize learning opportunities for all students. Throughout the program, teacher candidates use computerized assessment data to assist with improving teaching and learning, to develop Individualized Education Programs, and to develop lesson plans appropriate for all P-12 students using the edTPA lesson plan format. Furthermore, teacher candidates are given projects to collect data and report it using computer generated reports and then interpret and analyze data to assist with increasing student achievement. Focused on technology as a multi-faceted tool for learning through technology, candidates learn the advantages of having a positive instructional climate to incorporate all aspects of the Universal Design principles to improve learning. They learn ways to communicate, use flexible workspaces and design accessible digital texts. Candidates learn and teach ways to incorporate executive functioning through technology in their lessons and in the classroom. Lastly, teacher candidates use technology-based learning during supervised clinical

experiences by creating digital portfolios on LiveText by Watermark and using GoReact to demonstrate performance-based assessment. Candidates also demonstrate their performance and knowledge of pedagogy through an edTPA assessment in order to be licensed.

Provide the following information about your teacher preparation program.

(§205(a)(1)(G))

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Teacher Training

1. Provide a description of the activities that prepare general education teachers to:

a. Teach students with disabilities effectively

All teacher education candidates are required to take the course, Teaching Exceptional Students in the Regular Classroom. The purpose of this course is to provide teachers with an introduction to exceptional students with a major focus on serving individuals in the general education classroom. The course is aligned to the Council for Exceptional Children standards with an integration of High-Leverage Practices (HLPs). Teacher candidates are required to take coursework that examines the characteristics of diverse learners; this includes students with exceptionalities. The focus is on application of evidence-based pedagogical methods for diverse learners to increase viability of inclusive classrooms, such as response to intervention (RTI), family involvement, scaffolding, and sheltered content instruction. A number of resources are used like LD Online, the Learning Disabilities Association of America, Edutopia, TeachThought, and Understood.com; these are contemporary, interactive sources focused on helping students learn about disabilities.

b. Participate as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.

Students know the legal background and current legal mandates for early intervention and special education, including IDEA (2004), purposes and construction of IEPs, as well as the roles of support services, consultation and collaboration from a family-centered perspective. Teacher education students are given an opportunity to explore the 13 disability categories of IDEA, along with videos and practical suggestions for assistive technologies and development of Individualized Educational Plans (IEPs) in collaborative group projects. Also, students use IEPs to develop multiple lesson plans delineating application of evidence-based instructional strategies that support research on effective inclusive classroom instruction, including a parent involvement section depicting relevant types from Epstein’s parent involvement model. In order to achieve these goals, students critically analyze articles on RTI, create a webography for their individual classroom/schools based on Joyce Epstein’s parent involvement standards and participate in an IEP/Family Project. This project allows students a chance to observe a teacher working with children in an inclusive classroom, critique/evaluate the lesson and write up a reflection of what they have observed.

c. Effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.

Throughout the teacher preparation program, teacher candidates are provided foundational knowledge about English Language Learners. This includes addressing guidelines on oral language development, supporting academic language, and an understanding of culturally inclusive practices. The teacher candidates gain an understanding of the diverse characteristics of students who have limited English backgrounds. During a lesson on linguistic dimension, the teacher candidates are asked to apply the theories and the research that support effective instruction for culturally and linguistically diverse students. students learn the stages of language acquisition and specific ways to differentiate content instruction based on those stages, with the expectation that ELL students can learn content on grade level with appropriate scaffolding from the teacher (graphic organizers, visuals, peer support, manipulatives, gestures, language objectives, word walls, using cognates). They use and develop a host of biography-driven instructional strategies and study the components of Sheltered Content Instruction.

2. Does your program prepare special education teachers?

If yes, provide a description of the activities that prepare *special education teachers* to:

a. Teach students with disabilities effectively

Teacher candidates must also complete multiple hours of training in the field, working directly with students with exceptional needs in grades K-12. During field activities, teacher candidates receive instruction and practice in working with a diverse group of students, including those with limited English proficiency through coursework and practicum field-based activities. The field experiences will encompass problem-based learning experiences (e.g., case studies, behavior change plans, lesson plans, and assessment projects) for special education teacher candidates. Performance-based assessments are also utilized throughout the program to ensure that teacher candidates have the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively meet the needs of students. In an effort to respond to the shortage of special education teachers, the special education program has begun to integrate High-Level Practices (HLPs) into all course-based and field-based activities. The teacher candidates also research, prepare, and implement a list of strategies to use in the classroom both for self-contained and inclusive students. The candidates create and implement differentiated lesson plans utilizing a variety of instructional strategies to individualize instruction for students with disabilities. This requires assessing assistive technology devices and recognizing scenarios that would enhance student learning. Reflective practices are taught after each lesson planning session to help candidates continuously improve their craft.

b. Participate as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.

Special education teacher candidates are provided several opportunities to work with the development and implementation of the IEP that is in compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA). Some of the activities used help prepare teachers to actively participate in IEP meetings include gathering assessment data, creating a profile of the student, and creating IEP goals that are measurable using the assessment data. Activities that include interviewing all stakeholders of an IEP team as far as their role in the process. We have an activity that helps them to identify the IEP team, process, and timeline. Candidates take into consideration a student with exceptional learning needs, the learning environment, and cultural and linguistic factors. Candidates are also required to integrate assessment techniques as well as best practice in collaborating with school personnel and families of children with exceptionalities.

c. Effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.

The special education faculty implement activities that help teachers identify deficit areas and research technology and other strategies to address those deficit areas in English language development in the classroom. Diversity is the cornerstone of special education. Candidates are trained to work with students from culturally diverse backgrounds and their families. Although there is not specific course work directly related to students with limited English proficiencies (LEP), students are provided with experiences in the field during the practicum and the internship. Strategies for working with students with LEP is embedded within other courses as well.

Contextual Information

On this page, review the contextual information about your program, and update as needed.

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>> [Contextual Information](#)

Contextual Information

Please use this space to provide any additional information that describes your teacher preparation program(s). You may also attach information to this report card (see below). The U.S. Department of Education is especially interested in any evaluation plans or interim or final reports that may be available.

Supporting Files

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