

**Samford University**

Alternative, IHE-based Report AY 2021-22

Alabama



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## Institution Information

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

- [Academic year](#)
- [IPEDS ID](#)

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# List of Programs

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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](#)

## List of Programs

**Note:** This section is preloaded with the list of programs reported in the prior year's IPRC.

CIP Code	Teacher Preparation Programs	UG, PG, or Both	Update
13.1202	Elementary Education	Both	
13.1	Special Education	Both	
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	PG	
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	Both	
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	Both	
13.1316	Teacher Education - General Science	PG	
13.1328	Teacher Education - History	UG	
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	Both	
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	Both	
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	PG	
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Sciences	Both	

**Total number of teacher preparation programs:**

18

# Program Requirements

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\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(i\)\)](#)

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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	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Fingerprint check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Background check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum ACT score	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum SAT score	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum basic skills test score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Recommendation(s)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Element	Admission	Completion
Essay or personal statement	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Interview	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Other Specify: <input type="text" value="edTPA"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> 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.)

2.75

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.)

2.75

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	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Fingerprint check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Background check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum ACT score	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum SAT score	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum basic skills test score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

Element	Admission	Completion
Recommendation(s)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
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Interview	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Other Specify: <input type="text" value="edTPA"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> 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.)

2.5

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.)

3.25

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 2021-22. ([§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	<input type="text" value="139"/>
Number of clock hours required for student teaching	<input type="text" value="600"/>

You have programs with the teacher of record model, but "clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to teaching as the teacher of record" and "years required for teaching as the teacher of record" are 0. Please correct the data, or confirm.

I confirm that there are 0 hours required

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)**

**Number of clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to teaching as the teacher of record in a classroom**

0

**Years required of teaching as the teacher of record in a classroom**

0

**All Programs**

**Number of full-time equivalent faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE staff)**

5

[Optional tool](#) for automatically calculating full-time equivalent faculty in the system

**Number of adjunct faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE staff)**

0

**Number of cooperating teachers/K-12 staff supervising clinical experience during this academic year**

23

**Number of students in supervised clinical experience during this academic year**

24

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

Note: The numbers above represent the total enrollment in field/clinical experiences in 2021-2022. Some candidates were enrolled in more than one supervised clinical experience during the time frame. Faculty identify and select quality schools to develop partnerships that are mutually beneficial. EPP faculty purposefully place candidates in a variety of settings to include suburban, urban, and rural schools. The goal of field experience placements is to afford candidates opportunities to apply what they have learned in diverse settings with a range of students of differing backgrounds and needs. The EPP's Clinical Coordinator serves as a liaison with partner schools to match mentor teachers and candidates and track field placements across all initial programs.

# Enrollment and Program Completers

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

>> [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))**

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

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

## Enrollment and Program Completers

2021-22 Total	
Total Number of Individuals Enrolled	24
Subset of Program Completers	9

Gender	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
Male	4	1
Female	20	8
No Gender Reported	0	0
Race/Ethnicity	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0
Asian	0	0
Black or African American	1	0
Hispanic/Latino of any race	2	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0
White	21	8
Two or more races	0	0



**Race/Ethnicity**

**Total Enrolled**

**Subset of Program Completers**

**No Race/Ethnicity Reported**

0

0

## Teachers Prepared

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.

### THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

- >> [Teachers Prepared by Subject Area](#)
- >> [Teachers Prepared by Academic Major](#)

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

- [Academic Major](#)

## Teachers Prepared by Subject Area

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by subject area for academic year 2021-22.

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?

No teachers prepared in academic year 2021-22

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	<input type="text" value="1"/>
13.1202	Teacher Education - Elementary Education	<input type="text" value="0"/>

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.1203	Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	0
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	4
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	0
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	0
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	0
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	1
13.1315	Teacher Education - Reading	0
13.1316	Teacher Education - Science Teacher Education/General Science	0
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Science	0
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	1
13.1320	Teacher Education - Trade and Industrial	0
13.1321	Teacher Education - Computer Science	0
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	2
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: <input type="text"/>	0

## Teachers Prepared by Academic Major

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by academic major for academic year 2021-22. 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 2021-22

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	1
13.1202	Teacher Education - Elementary Education	0
13.1203	Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	0
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	4
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	0
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	0

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
13.1308	Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1309	Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	<input type="text" value="1"/>
13.1315	Teacher Education - Reading	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1316	Teacher Education - General Science	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Science	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	<input type="text" value="1"/>
13.1320	Teacher Education - Trade and Industrial	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1321	Teacher Education - Computer Science	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	<input type="text" value="2"/>
13.1323	Teacher Education - Chemistry	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1324	Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1328	Teacher Education - History	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1329	Teacher Education - Physics	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1331	Teacher Education - Speech	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.1337	Teacher Education - Earth Science	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.14	Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	<input type="text" value="0"/>
13.99	Education - Other Specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
01	Agriculture	<input type="text" value="0"/>
03	Natural Resources and Conservation	<input type="text" value="0"/>
05	Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	<input type="text" value="0"/>
09	Communication or Journalism	<input type="text" value="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	0
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: <input data-bbox="289 121 1263 163" type="text"/>	<input data-bbox="1295 90 1572 132" type="text" value="0"/>

# Program Assurances

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>> [Program Assurances](#)

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:

In all graduate-level education courses, candidates are provided instruction that incorporates teaching for all learners, including those with diverse learning abilities and styles, who speak different native languages and come from various socio-cultural backgrounds. Candidates are required to complete a course in special education as well. For candidates who are not already employed on alternative/emergency certificates, field and clinical experiences provide exposure to urban, suburban, and rural school settings. Well-established school partnerships enable EPP faculty to work alongside administrators and P-12 teachers to continually review curriculum and clinical assignments to meet the needs of candidates, schools, and students. The EPP's guiding principle for partnership design ensures that P-12 stakeholders also benefit from the relationship.





# Annual Goals: Mathematics

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 \(2022-23\)](#)
- >> [Set Next Year's Goal \(2023-24\)](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2021-22)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2021-22?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2021-22 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 10 students in each alternative master's degree mathematics cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

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:

EPP personnel will meet with academic advisors and senior math majors to recruit from among Samford students for the alternative master's degree program in math education.

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

## Review Current Year's Goal (2022-23)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in mathematics in 2022-23? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 2 students in each alternative master's degree mathematics cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2023-24)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2023-24? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 2 students in each alternative master's degree mathematics cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

# Annual Goals: Science

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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\(a\)\)](#)

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- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2021-22)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in science in 2021-22?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2021-22 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 10 students in each alternative master's degree biology and general science cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

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:

EPP personnel will meet with academic advisors and senior biology majors to recruit from among Samford students for the alternative master's degree program in biology education and general science education.

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

## Review Current Year's Goal (2022-23)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in science in 2022-23? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 2 students in the alternative master's degree biology or general science cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2023-24)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in science in 2023-24? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 2 students in the alternative master's degree biology or general science cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

# Annual Goals: Special Education

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[\(§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.

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

- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2021-22)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in special education in 2021-22?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2021-22 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes
- No

2. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 5 students in the alternative master's degree special education cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

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:

EPP personnel will meet with academic advisors and seniors from the undergraduate speech-language pathology program to recruit Samford students for the alternative master's degree in special education.

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

## Review Current Year's Goal (2022-23)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in special education in 2022-23? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 5 students in the alternative master's degree special education cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2023-24)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in special education in 2023-24? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

The EPP set the goal of 3 students in the alternative master's degree special education cohort. Numbers per cohort are aligned to the university's mission of maintaining responsible stewardship of faculty resources.

# 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.

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

- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

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- >> [Report Progress on Last Year's Goal \(2021-22\)](#)
- >> [Review Current Year's Goal \(2022-23\)](#)
- >> [Set Next Year's Goal \(2023-24\)](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2021-22)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2021-22?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2021-22 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 (2022-23)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2022-23? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2023-24)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2023-24? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

## Assessment Pass Rates

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>> [Assessment Pass Rates](#)

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

## Assessment Pass Rates

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS0235 -BIOLOGY CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	2			
ETS0235 -BIOLOGY CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	2			
TPA0110 -EDTPA: ELEM ED LITERACY WITH MATHEMATICS TASK 4 Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2020-21	6			
TPA0110 -EDTPA: ELEM ED LITERACY WITH MATHEMATICS TASK 4 Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2019-20	4			
TPA0021 -EDTPA: K-12 PERFORMING ARTS Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2019-20	4			
TPA0011 -EDTPA: PHYSICAL EDUCATION Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2021-22	1			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
TPA0011 -EDTPA: PHYSICAL EDUCATION Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2020-21	2			
TPA0011 -EDTPA: PHYSICAL EDUCATION Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2019-20	1			
TPA0003 -EDTPA: SECONDARY ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2021-22	3			
TPA0003 -EDTPA: SECONDARY ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2020-21	3			
TPA0003 -EDTPA: SECONDARY ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2019-20	3			
TPA0004 -EDTPA: SECONDARY HISTORY-SOCIAL STUDIES Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2021-22	2			
TPA0004 -EDTPA: SECONDARY HISTORY-SOCIAL STUDIES Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2020-21	2			
TPA0004 -EDTPA: SECONDARY HISTORY-SOCIAL STUDIES Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2019-20	4			
TPA0006 -EDTPA: SECONDARY SCIENCE Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2021-22	2			
TPA0006 -EDTPA: SECONDARY SCIENCE Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2020-21	2			
TPA0006 -EDTPA: SECONDARY SCIENCE Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2019-20	1			
TPA0012 -EDTPA: SPECIAL EDUCATION Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2021-22	1			
TPA0012 -EDTPA: SPECIAL EDUCATION Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2020-21	1			
TPA0012 -EDTPA: SPECIAL EDUCATION Evaluation Systems group of Pearson All program completers, 2019-20	4			
ETS5903 -ELEM ED 3 SUBJ BUNDLE: MATH SUBTEST Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	5			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5903 -ELEM ED 3 SUBJ BUNDLE: MATH SUBTEST Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	2			
ETS5905 -ELEM ED 3 SUBJ BUNDLE: SCIENCE SUBTEST Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	7			
ETS5905 -ELEM ED 3 SUBJ BUNDLE: SCIENCE SUBTEST Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	2			
ETS5904 -ELEM ED 3 SUBJ BUNDLE: SOCIAL STUDIES SUBTEST Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	6			
ETS5904 -ELEM ED 3 SUBJ BUNDLE: SOCIAL STUDIES SUBTEST Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	2			
ETS5904 -ELEM ED 3 SUBJ BUNDLE: SOCIAL STUDIES SUBTEST Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	1			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	2			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	2			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	6			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	6			
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	1			
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	3			
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	6			
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	2			
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	6			
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	6			
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	1			
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	1			
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	6			
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	6			
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	3			
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	3			
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	5			
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	4			
ETS0435 -GENERAL SCI CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	1			
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	2			
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	4			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5091 -PHYSICAL ED CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	1			
ETS5091 -PHYSICAL ED CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	2			
ETS5091 -PHYSICAL ED CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	1			
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	1			
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	2			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	2			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	2			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	1			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	3			
ETS0081 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	1			
ETS0081 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	2			
ETS0081 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	2			
ETS0081 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	2			
ETS0081 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	4			
ETS5195 -SPANISH WORLD LANGUAGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	1			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5204 -TEACHING READING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	3			
ETS5205 -TEACHING READING: ELEMENTARY Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	7			
ETS5205 -TEACHING READING: ELEMENTARY Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	1			
ETS5205 -TEACHING READING: ELEMENTARY Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	6			
ETS5941 -WORLD AND U.S. HISTORY CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	1			

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

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## Summary Pass Rates

Group	Number taking tests	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
All program completers, 2021-22	10	10	100
All program completers, 2020-21	17	17	100
All program completers, 2019-20	23	22	96



# Low-Performing

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>> [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.

## 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:

SACSCOC, NCSS, NCTE, NCTM, ACEI, NAEYC, NASPE

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

- Yes
- No

# Use of Technology

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>> [Use of Technology](#)

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

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

## 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.

The EPP is committed to ensuring alternative master's degree candidates have access to resources and instruction to effectively integrate technology that will enhance P-12 student learning. Furthermore, the EPP ensures faculty are well-equipped with up-to-date resources and proper support and training in current technologies. Alternative program candidates complete technology courses, integrate technology throughout assignments in other education courses, and gain experience with current applications, support, and training for various instructional technologies. The School of Education's Technology Committee is charged with assessing the EPP's needs and use of available technology and reviewing candidates' ability to use these resources appropriately. A survey is conducted for students in initial programs to determine their perceptions of their preparation for technology integration. With the help of the EPP's instructional technologist, student performance and survey data inform faculty who make decisions regarding integrating technology competencies across the curriculum.

# Teacher Training

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>> [Teacher Training](#)

Provide the following information about your teacher preparation program.

**(§205(a)(1)(G))**

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

## Teacher Training

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

#### a. Teach students with disabilities effectively

All education majors receive training in special education law and legislation, pre-referral and RTI procedures, the referral to the placement process, roles and responsibilities in the IEP process, and how to use accommodations outlined on the IEP to address varied learning needs in the general education classroom. All candidates are expected to know the specific eligibility categories outlined in IDEA and how to adjust classroom instruction to meet the varied needs of students with and at risk for disabilities. Coursework includes an overview of the theory and research behind differentiated instruction, and candidates become familiar with classroom instructional strategies designed to respond to students' varying needs. Candidates grow in their ability to individualize learning activities that take into account student strengths, interests, and readiness level. Particular emphasis is placed on student development, the role of the family, culture, and language background, importance of collaboration, creating a safe environment, the importance of student background knowledge, using technology to support differentiation, the importance of professional ethics, knowledge of state and national standards, ways to teach to mastery, and how to collaborate to best meet the needs of all students.

#### 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*.

All education majors are introduced to special education issues and trends through coursework. Candidates review the history of special education; laws and legislation in special education, including IDEA; current practices in special education; characteristics of students with disabilities; identification and teaching of students with disabilities; accommodations, modifications, and adaptations for students with disabilities; and the impact of special education services on general education classrooms. During the internship experience, education majors participate in IEP meetings. A significant educational event involves state-mandated training regarding Alabama's Lee v. Macon legal decision. The training is provided in response to a court-ordered desegregation plan that found a disproportionate number of black males in special education and inverse disproportionality of black males in programs for gifted/talented students. Students participate in a pre-and post-test assessment of racial bias. They must complete three additional activities that reflect their ability to construct bias-free instruction and classroom management techniques.

#### c. Effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.

Coursework for all education majors is focused on teaching students from varied socioeconomic, cultural, and ethnic backgrounds and using accommodation strategies to meet the needs of students who are limited English proficiency in the general education classroom. Candidates utilize specific strategies and accommodations to meet the needs of at-risk students, students with limited English proficiency, and students with disabilities in general education settings. An English Language Learner Diversity Series is conducted each year to provide students with a basic understanding of English Language Learners (ELL) and appropriate instructional strategies for ELL students. A local ELL specialist prepares training and reference materials for students. The seminar series takes place over 2-3 days so that concepts can be fully developed. The seminar series is critical to the development of effective teacher candidates. It prepares students to begin their teaching practice with foundational knowledge of best practices to impact the learning of ELL students. Additionally, particular emphasis in coursework is placed on the role of language, culture, and family, accessibility for individuals with disabilities, encouraging generalization of learning, ethics in education, the role of collaboration in teaching, and state and national standards. It presents candidates with classroom instructional strategies designed to respond to the varying needs of students, particularly students with limited English proficiency.

## 2. Does your program prepare special education teachers?

- Yes  
 No

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

### a. Teach students with disabilities effectively

Through coursework, candidates review the specific characteristics and needs of students with high and low incidence disabilities identified in the early childhood and elementary years. Coursework teaches candidates how to manage the varied behavioral and medical needs of student with disabilities, as well as, how to implement evidenced-based practices in behavior management, academic instruction, and family involvement in the P-6 classroom. Particular emphasis is placed on motivational and instructional interventions for improving student learning and behavior, focus on language development and communication through the use of assistive technology and other evidence-based practices, student cultural and familial background, effective interventions, collaboration, crisis intervention, functional life skills, content knowledge, effective accommodations and modifications, assistive technology, strategy instruction, collaborative teaching, providing guidance to paraprofessionals, tutors, and volunteers, and overall issues affecting individuals taught in early childhood special education, low incidence disabilities, and high incidence 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*.

All special education majors are provided with extensive training in the history and legislation surrounding the implementation of special education in today's schools, specific requirements for the eligibility categories outlined by IDEA, accommodations and modifications in the general and special education classroom, understanding test results, the components of the IEP and their role in the IEP process. Particularly, special education majors are expected to use assessment results, knowledge of the students' strengths and needs, and anecdotal data to create an Individualized Education plan to meet the needs of each student that he/she may serve in a special education classroom. Special education majors are also provided extensive clinical experiences in special education so that they may have varied experiences working in a variety of special education classrooms on the continuum of placement options. Special education majors are also taught about the distinction between students with disabilities and students with Limited English proficiency and how to instruct each group of students so that their individual needs are met. Coursework reviews the specific characteristics and needs of students with high and low incidence disabilities identified in the early childhood and elementary years. Coursework also teaches candidates how to manage the varied behavioral and medical needs of student with disabilities, as well as, how to implement evidenced-based practices in behavior management, academic instruction, and family involvement in the P-6 classroom. Additionally, candidates are taught assessment procedures and processes in special education. Candidates learn of the current processes and procedures in place for referral, placement, and reevaluation in special education. They also are taught how to assess student progress using both standardized and non-standardized assessment instruments. Candidates are taught how to interpret test results into a report-like format and explain test results to parents and other professionals. Candidates are able to use the results from an assessment team report to write an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) focused on the individual needs of a student. Special emphasis is placed on motivational and instructional interventions for improving student learning and behavior, focus on language development and communication through the use of assistive technology and other evidence-based practices, student cultural and familial background, effective interventions, collaboration, crisis intervention, functional life skills, content knowledge, effective accommodations and modifications, assistive technology, strategy instruction, collaborative teaching, providing guidance to paraprofessionals, tutors, and volunteers, and overall issues affecting individuals taught in early childhood special education, low incidence disabilities, and high incidence disabilities.

### c. Effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.

Through coursework and varied experiences, special education majors are taught about the distinction between students with disabilities and students with Limited English proficiency and how to instruct each group of students so that their individual needs are met. Coursework focus is to explore principles of early childhood special education and elementary collaborative teaching. Emphasis is placed on teaching methods and strategies appropriate for meeting individual needs of students with disabilities as well as limited English proficiency. Case studies, seminars with community and educational leaders, and technology serve as vehicles for reflection and, in addition, provide opportunities to develop decision-making skills necessary to make appropriate curricular and instructional choices for children with diverse needs. Special emphasis is placed on understanding developmental differences in order to best meet the needs of students with disabilities, language needs and supports, intervening safely and effectively during crisis situations, planning instruction for functional life skills and academic intervention, appropriate lifting and positioning procedures, overall knowledge of all content areas using general and specialized curricula, make modifications for general and specialized curricula across grade spans (P-6), methods for teaching language to promote mastery and generalization while encouraging critical thinking and problem-solving, identify and follow professional ethical principles and professional practice standards in education, use foundational knowledge to impact current practice, use of standards to guide instruction, and collaborate with families and colleagues to best meet all students' needs.



## Contextual Information

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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

No files have been provided.

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# Report Card Certification

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Please make sure your entire report card is complete and accurate before completing this section. Once your report card is certified you will not be able to edit your data.

## Certification of submission

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this report is accurate and complete and conforms to the definitions and instructions used in the *Higher Education Opportunity Act, Title II: Reporting Reference and User Manual.*

NAME OF RESPONSIBLE REPRESENTATIVE FOR TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM:

TITLE:

## Certification of review of submission

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this report is accurate and complete and conforms to the definitions and instructions used in the *Higher Education Opportunity Act, Title II: Reporting Reference and User Manual.*

NAME OF REVIEWER:

TITLE: