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# Welcome to Teacher Education at Capital University!

By choosing to begin your studies as a teacher educator at Capital, you are joining a community of competent, caring, committed professionals. We encourage you to meet with our faculty about the licensure programs, endorsements, graduate degree offerings and other professional opportunities offered at Capital.

This is your handbook. It serves as an orientation to and an overview of Capital's Teacher Education Program. It contains the program's mission, goals, and conceptual framework, as well as the policies and requirements you will need to referencefor admission to the program, admission to student teaching, graduation and licensure. Refer to it often and use the checklist provided to help you gauge your progress toward licensure.

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The faculty, staff and I look forward to meeting you and learning about the strengths and talents you bring to Capital's Teacher Education program. Know that we are here to guide and support your plans for your academic and professional development as an educator.

Sincerely,

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# Capital University Teacher Education Program Mission and School Goals

#### **MISSION**

Teacher education candidates must be competent in subject-matter and pedagogical knowledge and theory. They must integrate and use theoretical knowledge and pedagogical skills in caring ways to facilitate the learning of all students. They must demonstrate commitment to reflecting on and analyzing their work in advancing student learning. The school's mission is to prepare competent, caring, committed professionals to teach, lead, and serve diverse communities of learners.

#### CAPITAL UNIVERSITY TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM GOALS

Capital University and the Teacher Education Program strive to offer a personalized learning environment with a focus on excellence in teaching, advising and scholarship. Faculty demonstrate multiple approaches to teaching and learning in diverse communities, keep current with educational policies and practices to provide a meaningful professional development program for teacher candidates, operate within established partnerships with P-12 constituents, and exhibit commitment to ongoing professional development through research that integrates theory into practice.

The following five program goals for all students and licensure candidates provide the foundation for the commitment and work of the school. These goals reach beyond the basics of teaching by embedding what 21st-century teachers will need to be able to guide P-12 learners; as such, they encompass being adaptable to multiple situations, being creative, solving problems and thinking critically.

### Students/Teacher Candidates in Capital University's Teacher Education Program will ...

Goal 1	Exhibit Thorough Content Knowledge and Pedagogical Content Knowledge
Goal 2	Demonstrate and Apply Knowledge of Diversity in Learners, Learning and Assessment
Goal 3	Demonstrate and Implement Knowledge of Curriculum and General Pedagogy to Impact Student Learning
Goal 4	Communicate/Collaborate with Key Stakeholders and Create an Inclusive/Engaging Educational Environment
Goal 5	Evidence the Professional Dispositions, Ethics and Responsibilities of a Teacher

# Theoretical Foundations of Program Goals

The theoretical foundations of each of the five goals are described below. It is Capital's goal to grow all students and licensure candidates into reflective practitioners. When reading through the goals, please notethat students become licensure candidates when they are accepted into the Teacher Education Program.

#### PROGRAM GOALS

#### Goal 1: Exhibit Thorough Content Knowledge and Pedagogical Content Knowledge

The Capital University Education Program will ensure that all students and licensure candidates have a strong foundation in both the content they teach as well as the pedagogies they employ in instructing that content. Content knowledgerefers to subject matter knowledge of the teacher (Ball, Thames, & Phelps, 2008). Concurrently, pedagogical content knowledge is defined as subject matter-specific professional knowledge. The continuing appeal of the notion of pedagogical content knowledge is that it bridges content knowledge and the practice of teaching (Shulman, 1986).

#### Goal 2: Demonstrate and Apply Knowledge of Diversity in Learners, Learning and Assessment

Students and licensure candidates in the Capital University Teacher Education Program will apply knowledge of diverse learners, various learning styles and different assessment types in their classrooms. Learners are defined as students in grades P-12. Learning refers to the construction of meaning made from new information stemming from what a person already knows and/or believes (Shulman, 1998). Assessment is defined as the process of gathering information about student achievement to inform instructional decisions and to motivate students to learn (Stiggins, 2005).

#### Goal 3: Demonstrate and Implement Knowledge of Curriculum and General Pedagogy to Impact Student Learning

Students and licensure candidates in the Capital University Teacher Education Program will demonstrate that they know, can apply and can reflect on their understanding of curriculum as well as on how their general pedagogical knowledge impacts student learning. Curriculum refers to a student's planned or unplanned experiences in an educative setting (Dewey, 1938; Eisner, 1992). General pedagogical knowledge is concerned with the broad principles and strategies of classroom management and organization that transcend subject matter (Shulman, 1987). Lesson Planning modes refer to the generalized philosophical approaches to curriculum writing and include the Behaviorist, Constructivistand Perceptual (Uhrmacher, Conrad, & Moroye, 2013). Lesson plan models (e.g., Hunter model) are specific frameworksof lesson plans that fall under each mode (Uhrmacher, Conrad, & Moroye, 2013).

#### Goal 4: Communicate/Collaborate with Key Stakeholders and Create an Inclusive/Engaging Educational Environment

Students and licensure candidates in the Capital University Teacher Education Program will be effective collaborators and communicators in their school settings, while also demonstrating an ability to create engaging, inclusive educational learning environments. Educational environments might include formal and informal learning spaces and are defined as fabricated environments that educate (Dewey, 1961).

#### Goal 5: Evidence the Professional Dispositions, Ethics and Responsibilities of an Educator

Students and licensure candidates in the Capital University Teacher Education Program will display the professional dispositions, ethics, and responsibilities of effective educators. Professional dispositions are defined as a confluence of beliefs, intentions, and actions (Ritchart, 2001). Ethics are defined as action based on moral reasoning (Noddings, 2003). Professional responsibilities refer to a duty or obligation to satisfactorily perform or complete a task (assigned by someone or created by one's own promise or circumstances) that one must fulfill (Dunn & Bradstreet, 2012).

# Capital University Teacher Education Program Accreditation and Licensure Programs

#### **ACCREDITATION**

The Teacher Education program at Capital University is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and approved by the Ohio Department of Higher Education. The university is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, and the Conservatory of Music is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music.

#### LICENSURE PROGRAMS

Capital University is authorized by the Ohio Department of Education and the Ohio Department of Higher Education to recommendcandidates completing a prescribed program(s) for a two-year resident educator license in the following areas:

PK-5	Primary Education
4-9	Middle Childhood Education (with concentrations in at least two of the following areas)  Language Arts  Mathematics  Science  Social Studies
7-12	Adolescence to Young Adult Education Integrated Language Arts Integrated Mathematics Integrated Social Studies Integrated Science Life Sciences (single) Physical Science: Chemistry (single) Life Sciences/Chemistry (dual)
PK-12	Multi-Age Education  Music Education  Visual Arts
K-12	Intervention Specialist (Mild/Moderate Needs)

### Capital University Teacher Education Endorsement Programs

4-5	Early Childhood Generalist Endorsement (Must hold a current Pk-3 license.)
4-6	Middle Childhood Generalist Endorsement (May hold a Middle Childhood Education license.)
P-12	TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) Endorsement (Graduate) (Must hold a current teaching license.)

A list of the courses required to complete each of these programs and course descriptions can be found at: <a href="https://bulletin.capital.edu/index.php">https://bulletin.capital.edu/index.php</a>



# Alternate Ways to Earn Course Credit

#### **RECEIVING CREDIT**

There are several ways to secure credit in lieu of registering for the course. Credit earned by these methods is available only to full-time students. https://bulletin.capital.edu/content.php?catoid=20&navoid=751

#### American Council on Education

The use of American Council on Education credit can be approved for satisfying Signature Learning and major/minor requirements. The acceptability of such credit toward a major or minor requirement resides with the respective department chair/dean. Students wanting to request an official military transcript should visit the JST (Joint Services Transcript) website at <a href="https://ist.doded.mil/official.html">https://ist.doded.mil/official.html</a>

#### Advanced Placement Test (AP) of the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB)

Students can be given advanced placement with credit for the courses on which the tests are taken. Acceptance of this credit toward the major is subject to approval of the college or department. Consult with the Admission Office or the Office of the Registrar.

#### College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)

Students may earn up to a maximum of 27 semester hours of credit toward graduation through CLEP. Per University policy, the maximum credit awarded for each examination is 3.0 semester hours. The College Board charges an \$80 fee for each CLEP exam attempted, and each CLEP Testing Center charges an additional administrative fee (typically \$20 to \$40). Credit will be granted within accordance with the policy in effect at the time the exam is administered. A CLEP exam may not be retaken within a three-month period. Information regarding the accepted test scores, related equivalencies, and the Columbus vicinity testing centers can be downloaded here (CLEP Examinations 2018-19) or forms are also available in the Advising Office or the Registrar's Office.

#### **Credit by Examination**

Currently enrolled students may earn credit by taking an examination in undergraduate courses offered by the university, subject to the approval of and administered by the appropriate academic department or school. Examinations may be taken only once, and the student is required to achieve at least a grade of B. **Note: Waiver tests may not be taken for courses in which the student is currently enrolled.** The registrar will record on the academic record the course title, credit earned and the notation of "P" (pass). Letter grades are not recorded; therefore, credit by examination does not affect the grade point average. Credit earned by examination cannot be used to repeat a regularly offered course. A fee of \$50 per credit hour (to be paid before the examination) is assessed for the administration of the examination and the recording of the credit on the academic record

examination) is assessed for the administration of the examination and the recording of the credit on the academic record for currently enrolled students only.

#### **Competency Credit**

Capital University recognizes that learning takes place in a variety of environments in addition to the classroom. Many students enter Capital with meaningful and relevant learning from their careers, non-credit courses, training, extracurricular activities and personal experiences. Procedures have been developed to help students acquire academic credit for college-level learning gained through nontraditional means. This procedure involves assembling an extensive and thorough prior-learning portfolio describing past learning outcomes and documenting relevant life experiences. The University Competency Assessment Panel (UCAP) reviews these competency statements and determines if academic credit can be awarded. This procedure can be used to fulfill Signature Learning requirements, course and major course requirements. A UCAP portfolio must be submitted prior to a student's last term. More detailed information about competency assessment procedures and cost information (see Finance section) can be obtained by downloading a copy of the *Guide to Experiential Learning*.

#### RETROACTIVE CREDIT

There are two specific situations in which students may be granted retroactive credit:

- A student who places out of the placement exam for languages, which covers Elementary I and II, will receive 8
  hours of academic credit (110 and 111) if the student takes Intermediate I (220) in French and Spanish, and
  passes the course with a grade of C+ or better.
- A student who passes Calculus II (231) with a grade of B- or higher will receive 4 hours of academic credit for Calculus I (230).

#### PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION

Currently enrolled students may be excused from taking departmental courses or may qualify for enrollment in advanced departmental courses by demonstrating proficiency in the subject matterthrough proficiency examinations administered by various departments. No credit is given for the successful completion of the proficiency test, but the student is permitted to enroll in an alternate course or to be exempt from a requirement. However, there is no reduction in the total number of semester hours needed to complete the degree.

#### WAIVERS, SIGNATURE LEARNING

Waivers for any of the *Signature Learning requirements* are determined based on either (1) the student passing the appropriate waiver test and/or (2) approval of transferred coursework from another accredited college or university, or other courses taken at Capital. To substitute coursework, students complete a "General Education (GE) Waiver through Course Completion" form which is then submitted to the Advising Office (Yochum Hall, 1st Floor) along with course syllabi and course descriptions for review by the Signature Learning Director. Students may take a waiver test only once. While a waiver exempts the student from a course, it will not reduce the overall number of credit hours needed for graduation, unless the student successfully passes the appropriate CLEP test (see CLEP Examinations). Any student changing majors should consult with his/her new academic advisor, department chair/dean or Associate Provost to be certain that the same Signature Learning requirements are waived with the new major.

#### CAREER-TECHNICAL TEACHER ACADEMY OR INTRODUCTION TO THE TEACHING PROFESSION

Students who participated in an approved career-technical teacher academy while in high school may be exempted from taking EDUC 151 – Foundations of the Education Profession. To receive this exemption, a student must submit their certificate of completion to the School of Education Dean.



# Conceptual Framework P-12 Initial Educator Preparation Programs

#### Introduction

The Capital University Teacher Education Program's conceptual framework is grounded in the belief that the knowledge, skills and dispositions indicative of quality teaching must be embedded into cohesive and well-articulated program that emphasizes practice in relation to theory and is embodied by the faculty delivering the program. The conceptual framework has provided direction and focus, as faculty have worked to align the nine education program goals in order to ensure that the school's mission of preparing competent, caring, committed professional educators to teach, lead and serve diverse communities of learners, is met.

Full-time, tenure-track and adjunct faculty in Capital University's Teacher Education Program collaborated with members of the professional community in developing the conceptual framework. For the NCATE visit in 1993, the "knowledge base" was designed around the program goal of "Preparing teachers who honor individuality and develop communities of learners." For the 1998 NCATE visit, the conceptual framework reflected the mission "Developing competent, caring and committed professional educators for diverse communities of learners."

The present direction and ultimate goal of "preparing competent, caring, committed professional educators to teach, lead and serve diverse communities of learners" reflects the collaborative work of the Capital University's Teacher Education faculty, Teacher Education Advisory Board, and P-12 school-based practitioners, candidates and alumni. The process of regularly revisiting the conceptual framework and department goals demonstrates the dynamic nature of the Teacher Education Program as reflected in the variety of course offerings, clinical and field-based experiences, and performance-based expectations and assessments. These are revised on a regular basis to best prepare candidates for complex educational settings and demands.

In recent years, the conceptual framework was reviewed and revised in the summer of 2009, in advance of an NCATE review and during the creation of a Master of Arts in Education Program. Further review and revision occurred in the fall of 2010 and spring of 2011, to reaffirm the school's direction in preparation for a fall 2011 NCATE visit.

Most recently, 18 months of research and in-depth faculty discussions of the kinds of knowledge, dispositions and skills required of 21st-century educators have resulted in a re-envisioning of program goals. As of fall 2013, five new program goals, complete with student and department assessments, have been established and set into place. These five goals were purposely established to make assessment more accurate and allow for continuous monitoring that drives improvement of the Teacher Education Program. As the School of Education continues its accreditation history, the current goals were reaffirmed by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) in 2021.

This conceptual framework is organized around the mission of Capital University and the School of Education; the wisdom of practice; candidate performance expectations aligned with professional, state, and institutional standards; and the system by which candidate performance is regularly assessed (NCATE, 2000). This conceptual framework also establishes the shared vision of Capital University's School of Education efforts in preparing educators to work in P-12 schools. It provides direction for programs, courses, teaching, candidate performance, scholarship, service, and program accountability.

It is knowledge-based, articulated, shared, coherent and consistent with the department and institutional mission, as well as continuously evaluated. It provides the bases that describe the program's intellectual philosophy and institutional standards (NCATE, 2008).

# Performance Expectations for Candidates, Aligned with Professional, State and Institutional Standards

In alignment with Ohio's Teacher Education and Licensure Standards and The Ohio Standards for the Teaching Profession, Capital University's Teacher Education Program is performance-based. Teacher education candidates demonstrate competency in the classroom in each of the *Ohio Standards for the Teaching Profession*, as expected of beginning/entry-level teachers.

#### OHIO STANDARDS FOR THE TEACHING PROFESSION

#### Standard #1: Students

Teachers understand student learning and development and respect the diversity of the students they teach.

#### Standard #2: Content

Teachers know and understand the content area for which they have instructional responsibility.

#### Standard #3: Assessment

Teachers understand and use varied assessments to inform instruction, evaluate and ensure student learning.

#### Standard #4: Instruction

Teachers plan and deliver effective instruction that advances the learning of each individual student.

#### Standard #5: Learning Environment

Teachers create learning environments that promote high levels of learning and achievement for all students.

#### Standard #6: Collaboration and Communication

Teachers collaborate and communicate with students, parents, other educators, administrators, and the community tosupport student learning.

#### Standard #7: Professional Responsibility and Growth

Teachers assume responsibility for professional growth, performance, and involvement as an individual and as a member of a learning community.



### Admission to Teacher Education



Students of any race, color, religion, national and ethnic origin, or gender identity may be accepted into the Teacher Education Program at Capital University upon meeting prescribed standards. A student seeking admission to Teacher Educationat Capital University is required to complete an Application for Admission to Teacher Education, supply transcripts and submit satisfactory completion of a second year/sophomore-level experience. Application forms are available through your Capital University Campus labs Anthology Portfolio account https://capital.chalkandwire.com/Dashboard2.aspx

Students must show evidence of meeting the following standards prior to acceptance:

- Reading Competency is met if one of the conditions below is satisfied 1. ACT Reading score is a 20 or above. 2. SAT Reading score of 515 or above, New SAT EBW 530 or above. 3. Earned a C or better in EDUC 151.
- Writing Competency is met if one of the conditions below is satisfied:1. ACT English score is 20 or above. 2. SAT Writing score is 515 or above, New SAT EBW 530 or above. 3. Earned a C or better in ENGL 111.
- Math Competency is met if one of the conditions below is satisfied: 1. ACT Math score is 20 or above. 2. SAT Math score is 515 or above, New SAT 530 or above. 3. Earned a C or better in one of the Math classes below based on the major: \* Primary and/or Intervention Specialist Education majors: Math 140 and Math 141 \* MCE majors Math 120 or UC 140 \* AYA Integrated Mathematics and Integrated Science Majors: Math 120 \* AYA Integrated Language Arts and Integrated Social Studies: UC 140 or Math 120 \* K-12 Multi-Age-Visual Art majors: UC 140 \* K-12 Multi-Age- Music Majors: UC 140
- Complete the EDUC 101/EDUC 151 or MUSIC 241 block with a grade of C or better.
- Complete EDUC 201(non-Music education majors) or MUSIC 252 (Music education majors) with a grade of C or better.
- Achieve and maintain a minimum overall GPA of 2.75, as well as a GPA of 2.75 in major content area(s).
- Demonstrate proficiency in oral and written communication and mathematics as measured through attaining a grade of C or better in all courses required to meet Signature Learning Goals 2, 3 and 4.
- Possess appropriate professional dispositions as evidenced through field-based and clinical experiences. Verify good moral character by completing (1) a signed professional conduct statement and (2.) Due to recent legislation, students enrolled in a course that is part of an educator preparation program leading to an Ohio teaching license AND will be in an Ohio P-12 classroom as part of that course are required to obtain the 3-Year Pre-Service Teacher Permit. All School of Education teaching candidates must have a Pre-Service Teaching Permit prior to observing, visiting, or student teaching. Teaching candidates need to apply for this permit at the State Board of Education website. Additional information about the cost and process for applying for this permit can also be found on the State Board of Education website. A valid background check is required to secure this permit. A BCI and FBI check are required to obtain the Pre-Service Teacher Permit. Some districts also require TB tests. The costs for obtaining the 3 Year Pre- Service teacher Permit, BCI and FBI background check and TB tests are the responsibility of the student. When a student's background check is not clear they must meet with the School of Education Licensure Officer.

A candidate seeking admission to Student Teaching at Capital University is required to complete an Application for Admission to Student Teaching, including a résumé. The Application for Admission to Student Teaching must be completed no later than **March 1** for candidates planning to student teach Fall Semester and **October 1** for candidatesplanning to student teach Spring Semester. **Application forms are available through your Capital University Campus labs Anthology Portfolio account** <a href="https://capital.chalkandwire.com/Dashboard2.aspx">https://capital.chalkandwire.com/Dashboard2.aspx</a>

Student Teacher candidates are required to pass 50% of the required exams by the State of Ohio for licensure (the Ohio Assessments for Educators (OAE) by Pearson) prior to student teaching. Candidates are required to take all required exams before completion of student teaching. Upon completion of graduation requirements for their respective major, if the teacher education candidate has successfully completed ALL OAE exams, the candidate will be recommended for licensure in their respective licensure areas to the Ohio Department of Education

To student teach, candidates must meet the following requirements:

- Be admitted to Teacher Education and Student Teaching Programs.
- Student Teacher candidates are required to pass 50% of the required exams by the State of Ohio for licensure (the Ohio Assessments for Educators (OAE) by Pearson) prior to student teaching. Candidates are required to take all required exams before completion of student teaching.
- The School of Education offers OAE (Ohio Assessments for Educators) tutoring. Please contact content professor for information.
- Complete EDUC 301, EDUC 231 and EDUC 232 or PSYCH 201 with a grade of C or better.
- Complete EDUC 320-321, EDUC 352-359, EDUC 365/369 and/or Music Pedagogy courses with a grade of C or better.
- Complete EDUC 381 and EDUC 382 with a grade of C or better for Intervention Specialist Majors.
- Achieve and maintain a minimum overall GPA of 2.75, as well as a GPA of 2.75 in major content area(s).
- Verify good moral character by completing (1) a signed professional conduct statement and (2) a current clear BCI and FBI criminal background check.
- Note: A student who is on university disciplinary probation may not student teach.

Once admitted to student teaching, candidates will take responsibility for additional professional expenses:

- A fee, paid to Capital University, is charged for the student teaching experience. This fee is billed with the semester's tuition and is used to provide services to school districts in exchange for services of cooperating teachers.
- Due to recent legislation, students enrolled in a course that is part of an educator preparation program leading to an Ohio teaching license AND will be in an Ohio P-12 classroom as part of that course are required to obtain the 1- Year or 3-Year Pre-Service Teacher Permit. All School of Education teaching candidates must have a Pre-Service Teaching Permit prior to observing, visiting, or student teaching. Teaching candidates need to apply for this permit at the State Board of Education website. Additional information about the cost and process for applying for this permit can also be found on the State Board of Education website. A BCI and FBI check are required to obtain the Pre-Service Teacher Permit. Some districts also require TB tests. The costs for obtaining the 1 Year or 3 Year Pre- Service teacher Permit, BCI and FBI background check and TB tests are the responsibility of the student. When a student's background check is not clear they must meet with the School of Education Licensure Officer.
- edTPA fees. This is a mandatory teaching assessment that all students are required to complete during their student teaching experience.

# Intercultural Student Teaching

#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The Intercultural Student Teaching (IST) Program at Capital University is an optional, challenging and rewarding supplement to conventional in-state student teaching through which participants request placements in cooperating schools, families and communities in Australia, China, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Ecuador, England, France, Greece, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Russia, Scotland, Spain, Tanzania or Wales. Participation in the IST program does not extend your time at Capital, as it is completed during your regular semester of student teaching. Capital Universitystudents seeking licensure in primary, middle childhood, secondary and intervention education as well as music and art education may participate in the program.

The IST program is organized around three stages: the preparatory phase (EDUC 283, offered **Spring Semester only**), a **nimm**of 10 weeks of Ohio student teaching; and the six- to eight-week overseas immersion experience. Each of these **pass**is described in greater detail below.

#### **REQUIRED COURSES**

#### **EDUC 283: Intercultural Student Teaching Seminar**

Required of all participants in the IST program, this 2-credit course receives a letter grade representing a culmination of the academic components of the program, (i.e., preparatory phase).

#### COMPONENTS OF THE INTERCULTURAL STUDENT TEACHING PROGRAM

- A. During the preparatory phase, project applicants will:
  - Attend EDUC 283 class (2 credits) sessions and participate in the Spring Workshop.
  - Read articles on education, history, culture, and contemporary issues (social, economic, political) in the hostnation.
  - Submit overseas placement application.
- B. Ohio Student Teaching
  - Participants in the IST Program will successfully complete 10 weeks of student teaching in an Ohio elementary or secondary school before reporting overseas.
- C. The Overseas Student Teaching Experience
  - The overseas placement period spans six to eight weeks.
  - Housing in the overseas community is typically arranged by the head teacher of the school that accepts the student teacher.
  - IST program participants should expect differences in organization, structure, procedures and philosophy between their Ohio schools and host nation schools. Such differences will be explored during the preparatory phase of the IST program in EDUC 283.

#### **NAVAJO NATION PROGRAM**

In partnership with Global Gateway for Teachers, Capital University is now offering a Navajo Nation Program, another unique student teaching and cultural immersion experience. Student teachers live and work for a full semester on a Navajo Reservation in Arizona, New Mexico, or Utah. There, they teach in either a public reservation school or a Bureau of Indian Education school. In exchange for room and board in reservation dorms, student teachers coordinate after-school activities for students staying in the dorms, provide tutoring and homework assistance, or help in the dorm cafeteria. The goal is tobecome a part of the community. Student teachers may visit students' homes, develop personal friendships with the adults they work with at school and in the dorms, attend tribal council meetings, and observe and participate in tribal celebrations and ceremonies.



# Retention in the Capital University Teacher Education Program

Satisfactory progress toward completion of licensure is demonstrated by a minimum grade point average of 2.75 overall as well as in content area and education courses (including EDUC 232 or PSYCH 201 and pedagogy courses with MUSIC prefixes. Satisfactory evaluations in field-based experiences and/or professional dispositions (see page 14), are also necessary indicators of progress. If a student is not making satisfactory progress as described above, the student will be notified of her/his removal from the Teacher Education Program. The student may apply for readmission upon meeting the requirements for readmission to Teacher Education.

All students who have declared education as their major or are taking education licensure courses will be held to these guidelines.

# Capital University Policy on Notification and Appeal of Decision on Admission to Teacher Education

A student is notified, in writing, by the chair of the School of Education Student Assessment and Monitoring (SAM) Committee of admission or denial into Teacher Education and StattTeaching. If a student is not accepted, an individual conference will be scheduled with the School of Education Dean, at the student's request. At the conference, the student will be advised as to the basis for not being accepted. If the student wishes to submit new or additional information that had not been considered when the student application was reviewed, the student may submit an appeal, in writing, to the SAM Committee. The student will be notified, in witg of acceptance or denial of an appeal. The student may appeal a denial of admission to the Provost's Office.

# Accommodations for Test Taker with Disabilities or Health-Related Needs for Praxis Core and OAE Testing

A student can contact testing agencies for accommodation requests to take OAE Licensure Exams. Submit your request as soon as possible, as this can take up to six weeks for approval. Please contact:

OAE – http://www.oh.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=HTML FRAG/GENRB AlternativeArrangements.html

# Academic Advising

#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STUDENT

- Students are ultimately responsible for their academic decisions and actions.
- Students are responsible for planning their academic program of study, including scheduling and progress toward the degree.
- Students are responsible for their own academic standing.
- Students should be knowledgeable about the university catalog/bulletin, MyCap, and policies and procedures concerning university, school or college academic regulations and degree requirements.
- Students are responsible for maintaining personal records of academic progress, work and achievements.
- Students should be prepared for advisement and scheduling sessions with proper materials and information.
- Students are responsible for consulting with their adviser in a timely manner, including informing them of changes in their program of study.
- Students are responsible for seeking out accommodations for OAE exams see the following:

Capital UniversityAccessibility Services- <a href="https://www.capital.edu/about/accessibility-services/">https://www.capital.edu/about/accessibility-services/</a>

OAE- https://www.oh.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=HTML FRAG/GENRB AlternativeArrangements.html

#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FACULTY ADVISER

Although students are responsible for their academic planning, decisions and actions, faculty advisers serve as valuable resources for students. Faculty advisers assist their advisees:

- In planning their academic program of study.
- In providing information concerning academic regulations, course requirements, prerequisites and graduation requirements.
- By granting approval for students to schedule classes through MyCap, upon a consultation with their advisee.
- When appropriate by informing advisees of university support services, for example, Academic Success and Career Development.
- By acting as a mentor.

An academic adviser will be assigned to each student in the School of Education based on the student's area of study. For those students who are in an AYA (Adolescence to Young Adult) licensure program, the primary adviser will be assigned in the academic content area, with a secondary adviser available within the School of Education.



# Performance Expectations: Professional Dispositions Assessment

Professional dispositions are defined as how values, commitments, and professional ethics manifest themselves in professional practice. Dispositions are guided by beliefs and attitudes related to values such as caring, fairness, honesty, responsibility and social justice (NCATE, 2001).

It is the responsibility of the School of Education to successfully prepare candidates to become effective teachers. The initial licensure program requires candidates to demonstrate the knowledge, skills and dispositions outlined in the conceptual framework of the School of Education as they align with the expected behaviors of beginning teachers. Each candidate will be evaluated on these dispositions by faculty and school personnel and provided with feedback to assist with their progress.

Dispositions are defined as how values, commitments and professional ethics manifest themselves in professional practice. Dispositions are guided by beliefs and attitudes related to values such as caring, fairness, honesty, responsibility, and social justice (NCATE, 2001). The following dispositions are expected of teacher education candidates in the university classroom and in the schools.

#### **Dispositions**

#### The Candidate:

- Takes initiative.
- Demonstrates enthusiasm toward teaching and learning.
- Generates enthusiasm about instructional content.
- Maintains high learning expectations for self.
- Maintains high learning expectations for others.
- Demonstrates compassion for those experiencing difficulty.
- Demonstrates patience/flexibility with others during the learning process.
- Collaborates effectively with others.
- Demonstrates critical problem-solving skills.
- Attempts to solve problems independently, seeking help when needed.
- Responds appropriately to constructive feedback from peers, instructors, and/or professors.
- Accurately assesses/reflects on strengths and areas of improvements.

#### Responsibilities

#### The Candidate:

- Is reliable.
- Maintains professional/appropriate appearance.
- Demonstrates a strong work ethic.
- Addresses issues of concern professionally

#### **Ethics**

#### The Candidate:

- Maintains professional confidentiality as appropriate.
- Demonstrates academic honesty.
- Demonstrates respect for beliefs, views, and needs of others.
- Promotes diverse opinions and perspectives of individuals and groups.

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Student's Name	Signature	Date

# Checklist of Tasks for Program Completion

Apply and be accepted for admission to Teacher Education (Date:\_\_\_\_\_

## **SECOND YEAR** (check and date when completed)

	Earn a grade of C or higher in all courses required to meet Signature Learning Goals 2, 3 and 4: College Reading and Writing; Oral Communication; Math (varies with program requirements).
Ma	aintain a minimum GPA of 2.75 in the major content area(s) AND a cumulative GPA of 2.75 above
	<ul> <li>atisfaction of admission requirements of Reading, Writing and Math Competency for Capital University School of Teacher Education Program:         <ul> <li>Reading Competency is met if one of the conditions below is satisfied 1. ACT Reading score is a 20 or above. 2. SAT Reading score of 515 or above, New SAT EBW 530 or above. 3. Earned a C or better in EDUC 151.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Writing Competency is met if one of the conditions below is satisfied:1. ACT English score is 20 or above. 2. SAT Writing score is 515 or above, New SAT EBW 530 or above. 3. Earned a C or better in ENGL 111.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Math Competency is met if one of the conditions below is satisfied: 1. ACT Math score is 20 or above. 2. SAT Math score is 515 or above, New SAT 530 or above. 3. Earned a C or better in one of the Math classes below based on the major: * Primary and/or Intervention Specialist Education majors: Math 140 and Math 141 * MCE majors Math 120 or UC 140 * AYA Integrated Mathematics and Integrated Science Majors: Math 120 * AYA Integrated Language Arts and Integrated Social Studies: UC 140 or Math 120 * K-12 Multi-Age- Visual Art majors: UC 140 * K-12 Multi-Age- Music Majors: UC 140</li> </ul>
S	Successfully complete the EDUC 101/EDUC 151 or MUSIC 241 with a grade of C or better.
S	Successfully complete EDUC 201 and/or MUSIC 252 with a grade of C or better.
5	Sign a copy of the Candidate Professional Dispositions Assessment.
F	Possess appropriate professional dispositions as evidenced through field-based experiences.



# Checklist of Tasks for Program Completion

#### THIRD YEAR (check and date when completed)

for graduation).

Successfully complete EDUC 231, EDUC 301, and EDUC 232 or PSYCH 201 with a grade of C or better.
Successfully complete EDUC 320-321, EDUC 352-359, EDUC 365/369, or MUSIC Pedagogy courses with a grade of C or better.
Successfully complete EDUC 381 and EDUC 382 with a grade of C or better. (For Intervention Specialists only.)
Apply and be accepted for admission to student teaching, prior to the posted deadlines of March 1 for Fall Semester and October 1 for Spring Semester (Date).
Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.75 in the major content area(s) AND a cumulative GPA of 2.75 overall.
FOURTH YEAR (check and date when completed)
Student Teacher candidates are required to pass 50% of the required exams by the State of Ohio for licensure (The Ohio Assessments for Educators (OAE) by Pearson) prior to student teaching. Candidates are required to take all required exams before completion of student teaching. Upon completion of graduation requirements for their respective major, if the teacher education candidate has successfully completed ALL OAE exams, the candidate will be recommended for licensure in their respective licensure areas to the Ohio Department of Education.
Complete student teaching course(s) with a grade of C or better.
Maintain a minimum GDA of 2.75 in the major content area(s) AND a cumulative GDA of 2.75 above (required

# Capital University Teacher Education Program Exit Proficiencies for Candidates

The Capital University Teacher Education Program is performance-based. Teacher Education students and candidates are regularly and systematically assessed throughout the program through coursework, field-based experiences and clinical experiences using assessments for evaluation such as Candidate Preservice Assessment of Student Teaching (CPAST). During student teaching, all candidates will complete the edTPA, which contains narratives and artifacts that demonstrate proficiency with the knowledge, skills and dispositions associated with boththe *Ohio Standards for the Teaching Profession* and Capital University's five Teacher Education Program goals.



# Degrees Awarded by Capital University

Those teacher education candidates completing the requirements for an undergraduate degree will be awarded the Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree, with the exception of Music Education graduates who will be awarded the Bachelor of Music (BM) degree. Post Degree Education Licensure candidates who already possess an undergraduate degree and are seeking licensure will not be awarded a degree but will be recommended for licensure.

# Requirements for Licensure in Ohio

Capital University is authorized by the Ohio Department of Education to recommend a candidate for a two-year resident educator license upon the following conditions:

- Completing all requirements for the bachelor's degree and Post Degree Education Licensure program, including satisfactorily meeting all exit proficiencies and obtaining university recommendation.
- Completing student teaching with a grade of C or higher.
- Passing all Ohio Assessments for Educators (OAE) examinations as required by the State of Ohio.
- Current clear BCI and FBI background checks, as required by the Ohio Revised Code.
- Apply and pay \$80.00 for a 2 Year Resident Educator Licenses.

## Applying for an Out-Of-State Teaching License

The pathway to receiving a teaching license varies from state to state. A student wishing to obtain an out-of-state teaching license upon completion of her/his program at Capital should contact the state education department in that state to determine what steps are necessary to be licensed in that state.

## Career Development Services

The Career Development Office, located on the second floor of Blackmore Library, assists current Capital students and Capital alumni in the development and implementation of career goals. Students can receive assistance with:

- Choosing and changing majors.
- Assessing interests and career values.
- Locating and applying for internships, part-time jobs and summer positions.
- Researching career and employment options.
- Writing résumés and cover letters.
- Finding full-time positions.
- Interviewing.
- Applying to graduate and professional schools.

Students can make appointments to see the Director or Assistant Director of Career Development; they can also meet with Peer Career Advisers (PCAs). PCAs are current students who, after completing a Career Development training sequence, assist their peers with writing résumés and cover letters and finding appropriate resources. Contact Career Development at careerdevelopment@capital.edu







# Professional Development Opportunities



### **CAPITAL UNIVERSITY EDUCATION SOCIETY (CUES)**

The Capital University Education Society (CUES) is a preprofessional student organization dedicated to the education and advancement of all who are enrolled in Teacher Education at Capital University. In addition to providing educational programs and service opportunities, CUES encourages networking among education majors and area teachers. Membership in CUES provides a link with the Ohio Student Education Association (OSEA), an organization affiliated with the Ohio Education Association (OEA), which is a professional organization of Ohio's classroom teachers. Liability insurance, essential for field-based and clinical experiences, is obtained through membership in OSEA. All interested education majors are strongly encouraged to join CUES annually. Those candidates interested in more information about Capital University Education Society (CUES) may contact Dr. Olga Shonia, CUES Faculty Advisor at oshonia@capital.edu

#### PI LAMBDA THETA

Pi Lambda Theta is an international honorary that extends membership to Capital University Teacher Education candidates who are at least second-semester sophomore standing and who have at least an overall grade point average of 3.500. The organization provides dues-paying members with the opportunity to attend local chapter programs and apply for research and scholarship awards and grants. Candidates who are members in good standing during the semester prior to graduation will be eligible to purchase honor cords from the international honorary and may proudly wear these cords during the commencement ceremony. Those candidates interested in more information about Pi Lambda Theta may contact Dr. Olga Shonia, Pi Lambda Theta Faculty Advisor at oshonia@capital.edu

#### COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) provides service and professional developmentopportunities for members who have become dues-paying members of the National Council for Exceptional Children. For information on pre-service student membership - <a href="https://exceptionalchildren.org/membership/student-membership/pre-service-student-membership/student-membership/pre-service-student-membership/student-membership/pre-service-student-membership/student-membership/pre-service-student-membership/student-membership/pre-service-student-membership/student-me

#### **EDUCATORS RISING**

The Capital University chapter of Educators Rising is associated with the national organization, which is an affiliate of Phi Delta Kappa. Educators Rising is open to any Capital University student. There is a one-time membership fee of \$25. Those candidates interested in more information about Educators Rising may contact Dr. Nisreen Daoud, Educator Rising Faculty Advisor at <a href="mailto:ndocapital.edu">ndaoud@capital.edu</a>

# For more information about Capital University's Teacher Education Program, go to www.capital.edu/education.

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