# Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation

# **ACCREDITATION ACTION REPORT**

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This is the official record of the Educator Preparation Provider's accreditation status. The Educator Preparation Provider should retain this document for at least two accreditation cycles.

#### ACCREDITATION DECISION

**Accreditation** is granted at the initial-licensure level. This Accreditation status is effective between Spring 2022 and Spring 2025. The next site review will take place in Fall 2024.

## SUMMARY OF STANDARDS

CAEP STANDARDS	INITIAL-LICENSURE LEVEL	ADVANCED-LEVEL
STANDARD 1/A.1: Content and Pedagogical Knowledge	Met	Not Applicable
STANDARD 2/A.2: Clinical Partnerships and Practice	Met	Not Applicable
STANDARD 3/A.3: Candidate Quality, Recruitment, And Selectivity	Met	Not Applicable
STANDARD 4/A.4: Program Impact	Met	Not Applicable
STANDARD 5/A.5: Provider Quality Assurance and Continuous Improvement	Met	Not Applicable

## AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT AND STIPULATIONS

Areas for Improvement: Identified areas for improvement are addressed in the provider's annual report.

**Stipulations**: Stipulations are addressed in the provider's annual report and must be corrected within two years to retain accreditation.

# INITIAL-LICENSURE LEVEL AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT AND STIPULATIONS

#### STANDARD 3: Candidate Quality, Recruitment, And Selectivity

	Areas for Improvement	Rationale
1	The EPP provided limited evidence that the recruitment plan monitors progress and uses data in planning and monitoring recruitment strategies. (component 3.1)	The EPP's current recruitment plan collects enrollment data on demographic categories; however, the EPP does not record data in relation to specific recruiting strategies nor include a means of monitoring the success of recruiting strategies related to specific goals.

# AREA(S) FOR IMPROVEMENT OR WEAKNESS(ES) from previous legacy accreditor review (NCATE or TEAC)

None.

# INFORMATION ABOUT ACCREDITATION STATUSES

**Accreditation** for seven (7) years is granted if the EPP meets all CAEP Standards and components, even if areas for improvement (AFIs) are identified in the final report of the Accreditation Council.

• Areas for Improvement (AFIs) indicate areas which must be improved by the time of the next accreditation review. Progress reports on remediation of AFIs are submitted as part of the Annual Report. AFIs not remediated by a subsequent site review may become stipulations.

Accreditation with stipulations is granted for 2 years if an EPP meets all standards but receives a stipulation on a component under any standard. Failure to submit a response to the stipulation within a two (2)-year time frame results in revocation. Failure to correct the condition leading to the stipulation within the specified two (2)-year period results in revocation or probation.

• **Stipulations** describe serious deficiencies in meeting CAEP Standards and/or components and must be brought into compliance in order to continue accreditation. All stipulations and relevant evidence are reviewed by the Accreditation Council. Failure to correct the condition leading to the stipulation results in probation or revocation of accreditation.

**Probationary Accreditation** is granted for two (2) years when an EPP does not meet one (1) of the CAEP Standards. Failure to submit a response to the stipulation within a two (2)-year time frame results in revocation. Failure to correct the condition leading to the stipulation within the specified two (2)-year period results in revocation.

## SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION

The scope of CAEP's work is the accreditation of educator preparation providers (EPPs) that offer bachelor's, master's, and/or doctoral degrees, post-baccalaureate or other programs leading to certification, licensure, or endorsement in the United States and/or internationally. (2018).

CAEP does not accredit specific degree programs, rather EPPs must include information, data, and other evidence on the following in their submission for CAEP's review:

All licensure areas that prepare candidates to work in preschool through grade 12 settings at the initiallicensure and advanced levels that lead to professional licensure, certification, or endorsement as defined by the state, country, or other governing authority under which the EPP operates and for which the state, country, or other governing authority has established program approval standards.

Depending on an EPP's submission, accreditation may be awarded at one or both of the following levels: Initial-Licensure level and/or Advanced-Level.

1. Initial-Licensure Level Accreditation is provided at the baccalaureate or post-baccalaureate levels

leading to initial-licensure, certification, or endorsement that are designed to develop P-12 teachers.

2. Advanced-Level Accreditation is provided at the post-baccalaureate or graduate levels leading to licensure, certification, or endorsement. Advanced-Level Programs are designed to develop P-12 teachers who have already completed an initial-licensure program, currently licensed administrators, or other certified (or similar state language) school professionals for employment in P-12 schools/districts. CAEP's Advanced-Level accreditation does not include any advanced-level program not specific to the preparation of teachers or other school professionals for P-12 schools/districts; any advanced-level non-licensure programs, including those specific to content areas (e.g., M.A., M.S., Ph.D.); or Educational leadership programs not specific to the preparation of teachers or other school professionals for the preparation of teachers or other school specific to the preparation of teachers or other school professionals for P-12 schools/districts; any advanced-level non-licensure programs, including those specific to content areas (e.g., M.A., M.S., Ph.D.); or Educational leadership programs not specific to the preparation of teachers or other school professionals for P-12 schools/districts.

In communicating with students, faculty, other stakeholders, and the public about its accreditation status and term, an EPP is required to distinguish accurately between programs that are accredited, as a result of having been included in the scope of review, and those that are not.

The following programs are included in the current accreditation cycle:

Name	Level	Degree
Elementary Education	Initial	Baccalaureate
English for Secondary Education	Initial	Baccalaureate
English for Elementary Education	Initial	Baccalaureate

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