

Conege of Education

"Who dares to teach must never cease to learn." – John Cotton Dana

Undergraduate Teacher Education Professional Licensure Program Application Packet

Winter 2020 Cohort – Due October 4, 2019 before 5:00 p.m.

Western Oregon University

College of Education Division of Education and Leadership 345 N. Monmouth Ave. Monmouth, OR 97361

If you have any questions, contact Beth Jones at jonesb@wou.edu or 503-838-8235

Dear Applicant,

We welcome your application to the Division of Education and Leadership, Professional Teacher Licensure Program, part of Western Oregon University's College of Education. Entry to this nationally recognized program is contingent on meeting all of the application requirements and presenting all the necessary documentation by the stated due date. Before an application can be processed, you must complete and submit all items on the Application Checklist. In short, applicants must:

- Complete all pre-education, concentration, general education, and BA/BS courses with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher. In addition, all courses with an ED prefix must be completed with a B- or higher and an ED GPA of 3.0 or higher. For Elementary/Middle and Middle/High preparations, content GPA must also be 3.0 or higher.
- 2) Pass both criminal record checks and character background checks.
- 3) Demonstrate professional ethics and dispositions* required of teacher candidates, documented through WOU faculty feedback.
- 4) Pass teacher licensure exams.
- 5) Complete two sets of observation hours (30 hours each). A practicum based education course may be substituted for the first set of observation hours (must be a B- or better).
- 6) Submit ACT or SAT scores.

You may bring up to 4 credits of non-program courses into the Licensure Program, but these courses must be completed through an evening/online/summer course. You will not be able to squeeze these into your daytime commitments once you are in the Professional Licensure Program.

Upon acceptance into the Professional Licensure Program, you will be required to attend an orientation meeting in the term before you are due to start. Orientation meetings are mandatory. Failure to attend will delay the process of placing you in a clinical site and may mean that you will not be able to start the program according to your plans.

Once you have been admitted to the Professional Licensure Program, there will be an ongoing, systematic review of your progress. It will include, but is not limited to, observations of your performance working with youth, faculty evaluations, demonstrated competence in academic and professional work, and recommendations from those who observe you in your clinical experience classroom. Our program is very supportive of our teacher candidates, but admission to the program is not a guarantee of program completion and licensure as a teacher. Only your hard work can ensure your success.

The program is a demanding one. Your work in the program takes precedence over other time and schedule commitments, including non-program courses and outside employment. You should plan on being available from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday for term I. Terms II and III will require even greater time commitments, so plan your schedule accordingly.

We, at Western Oregon University, have been fortunate over a long history to find many talented, charismatic, and competent students who wish to enter the teaching profession. We hope that you will be one of those students who will carry on the tradition of excellence in Western Oregon University's Teacher Education Program.

If you have any questions regarding the application procedures, please contact Beth Jones, in person at RWEC 120, by phone (503) 838-8235, or by e-mail at <u>jonesb@wou.edu</u>.

Sincerely,

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Application Requirements and Checklist

Check each box to verify that you have included the completed item in your application and submit them in this order.

Application Checklist (this page)						
Cover Letter						
Resume – highlighting experience and skills relevant to the teaching profession						
Professional Licensure Program Application						
Course Planning Sheet Meet with your advisor to go over your DegreeTracks. Write down all the courses that you have left to take before entering the Professional Licensure Program, and the courses you will take in the Professional Licensure Program. Please note that you are only able to take in up to four credits (non pre-ed courses) with you into the Professional Licensure Program. The four credits must be taken through an evening/online or summer course, as it cannot interfere with your other courses and clinical practice experience.						
Printout of your DegreeTracks (PDF) verifying pre-education course completion and GPA minimum.						
Signed Character Questions Form verifying professional ethics and clean criminal record.						
Signed Professional Knowledge, Skills and Dispositions Form						
 Copies of all passed exam scores – <u>all exams must be passed prior to applying</u> Civil Rights Exam Passing Score (everyone) Subtest I & II Passing Scores (Early Childhood/Elementary and Elementary/Middle only) Content Area Exam Passing Scores (Elementary/Middle, Middle/High, and PETE only) 						
First 30-hour observation letter of documentation (or approved ED practicum course#, takenterm atcollege)						
Second 30-hour observation letter of documentation						
Printout of your ACT or SAT scores (you may self-print from your online account)						
Three Confidential Faculty Evaluation Forms verifying professional dispositions.						
Ask three faculty members <i>at least 3 weeks prior</i> to the application due date to complete and submit an evaluation form. Plan ahead! Request that faculty send the evaluation forms to the ED office by the application due date. Please fill out the top section of the forms prior to giving them to the faculty members. Two of your evaluation forms must be filled out by ED faculty. Your third evaluation form must be from a Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) faculty member. <i>PETE candidates must also obtain an evaluation form from EXS faculty.</i>						
ALL Candidates:						
Evaluator 1: Name:(ED)						
Evaluator 2: Name: (LAS)						
Evaluator 3: Name: Course: (ED/LAS) (Early Childhood/Elementary and Elementary/Middle candidates should use an ED professor for this evaluation and Middle/High candidates should use a LAS professor in their content area for this evaluation.)						
PETE Candidates ONLY:						
Evaluator 4: Name: Course:(EXS)						

Please note that any missing items may delay or prevent acceptance into the Professional Licensure Program.

Cover Letter

This letter should explain your interest in becoming a professional educator, state the preparation level that you are pursuing and why, and confirm that you have included all the required items for your application. If you are missing any items please state your prearranged plan for submitting them. Your letter should be dated and demonstrate professional communication skills and be proofread.

(Sample Resume)

Pat Smith

1111 Education Way, Smithsville, OR, 11000•503-555-1234•patsmith@futureteacher.com

Objective

Seeking admission to Western Oregon University's undergraduate Teacher Education Professional Licensure Program to prepare to teach early childhood/elementary students and become ESOL endorsed.

Educational Experiences

Independence Elementary Se 35 hours of classroom experience Assisted students on an individual Provided technological assistance Helped with reading and writing ins	basis across all subjec		– Apr. 2016
Monmouth Elementary Scho 40 hours of classroom experience Assisted students on an individual Helped with reading instruction		-	– Dec. 2015 as
After School Instructor, YMC Assisted children with homework Cooperated with other staff memb Provided first aid for various minor	ers in planning and imp	•	– June 2014 activities
Summer Camp Counselor, C Led large group and small group a Responsible for a group of 4 th grad Collaborated with other camp staff Education	activities de boys	-	J. 2013-2015
Western Oregon University Early Childhood/Elementary Preparation ESOL Endorsement Education Club	Bachelors of Arts in Education	GPA: 3.65	June 2017 Expected
Smithsville High School Student government Varsity soccer	High School Diploma	GPA: 3.75	June 2013

Varsity soccer National Honor Society

This is a sample resume that is provided for your reference, but it is not a mandatory format – other resume formats are also acceptable providing they are complete, informative, and professional in appearance.

Professional Licensure Program Application

Name:			V#:	
First E-mail Address:	MI	Last		
Local Address:				
	treet Name	City	State	Zip Code
Do you have a high so	hool diploma or a GE (Circle one)	D? Name of hi	gh school	State
Do you have a Bache	or's degree? Yes: _	_ No: Do you	have a Master's Deç	gree? Yes: No:
Overall GPA: E	D courses GPA:	_ Concentration/	Focus GPA is:	(E/M, M/H, & PETE only)
Are you in the Bilingua	al Teacher Scholar's F	Program? Yes: _	_ No:	
Are you planning to co	mplete the ESOL end	dorsement while	in the licensure prog	ram? Yes: No:
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K-12 Physical I				
Licensure Exam Sco exam results)	res: Please list your ex	kam scores below	(in addition to attachin	g a paper copy of your
Civil Rights Exam				
Subtest 1 Exam				
Subtest 2 Exam				
Concentration/Focus	Area Exam			
ACT or SAT Scores	also, attach paper co	ру)		
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Applicant Printed Name	Applicant Signature	Da	ate
Optional Information (for statistical use only):			
Gender: Date of Birth:			
Race or Ethnic Origin:			
White American Indian/Alaskan Native Hispanic	African American	Asian American Un	declared

Course Program Planning Sheet

Student Name:		V#:
E-mail:	@wou.edu	Phone #:
Advisor Name:		
E-mail:	@wou.edu	Phone #:

Please list the courses still needed to complete your degree – this includes all required Pre-ED courses and general education courses, plus any optional ESOL courses or minor courses. This worksheet includes the current term, the term before you enter the Professional Licensure Program, and all three terms in the Professional Licensure Program.

If you plan to bring in additional coursework (four credits maximum), you will need to complete this coursework through evening/online or summer courses and show this in your plan.

		Term 1 of PLP	Term 2 of PLP	Term 3 of PLP
Term:	Term:	Term:	Term:	Term:
Year:	Year:	Year:	Year:	Year:

By signing below, you are acknowledging that you have checked your DegreeTracks with your advisor to assure this plan is accurate and complete.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Advisor's Signature

Date

Character Questions

Please read the following character questions carefully and answer all questions with a "yes" or "no" answer. Any other responses will result in your application being considered incomplete. All "yes" answers must be fully explained in writing on a separate piece of paper. The explanation must be signed and dated by you.

Information disclosed on this form and/or the explanatory narrative may be shared with school district partners and placements, as necessary. Many school districts will run an additional background check as well.

Character Questions:	Answer:
Have you ever left any educational or school related employment, voluntarily or involuntarily, while the subject of an inquiry, review or investigation of alleged misconduct?	Yes or No
Have you ever left educational or school-related employment when you had reason to believe an investigation for misconduct was underway or imminent?	Yes or No
Are you currently the subject of an inquiry, review or investigation for alleged misconduct or alleged violation of professional standards of conduct by either an employer of a licensure agency?	Yes or No
Have you ever been placed on leave by your employer for any alleged misconduct?	Yes or No
Have you ever had any adverse action taken on a professional certificate, license or charter school registration?	Yes or No
Have you ever been placed on probationary status for alleged misconduct while holding a professional license, certificate, registration, or credential?	Yes or No
Have you ever been denied any professional license for which you applied or granted a professional license on a conditional or probationary basis for any alleged misconduct?	Yes or No
Have you ever surrendered a professional license of any kind before its expiration?	Yes or No
Have you ever been disciplined by any public agency responsible for licensure of any kind, including but not limited to educational licensure?	Yes or No
Have you ever been convicted or been granted a diversion or conditional discharge by any court for any: (a) Felony; or (b) Misdemeanor; or (c) Major traffic violation including but not limited to: driving under the influence of intoxicants or drugs; reckless driving; fleeing from or attempting to elude a police officer; driving while your license was suspended, revoked or used in violation of any license restriction; or failure to perform the duties of a driver or witness at an accident?	Yes or No
Have you ever been arrested or cited for any offense listed above which is still pending in the courts? This includes any diversion, conditional discharge or postponed adjudication that has not been dismissed by the courts at the time this application is signed.	Yes or No
Have you ever had any civil judgement or other court order, including but not limited to a restraining order, entered against you resulting from allegations of abuse, assault, battery, harassment, intimidation, neglect, stalking, or other threatening behavior toward other persons?	Yes or No

I hereby certify that the information on or relating to this form is true and correct and grant the College of Education permission to check civil and criminal records to verify any statement made on this report. I understand that the College of Education may deny admission to the Professional Licensure Program or revoke permission for teacher candidacy upon evidence that I made false statements on this form. Any change in the information indicated above must be reported and will be subject to review.

Professional Knowledge, Skills and Dispositions Form

(Aligned to InTASC Core Standards)

The teaching profession has historically valued and upheld high professional and ethical standards for teachers. The College of Education is committed to preparing candidates with high levels of professionalism. The Division of Education and Leadership believes it is important for you to be aware of these standards of professionalism prior to program admission, and to abide by those standards during your time in the program.

Faculty at Western Oregon University will use this form to assess your professionalism each term during field experiences and in classes, as warranted. The College of Education reserves the right to advise your continuation or termination in the program based on the assessments of your professionalism.

Please carefully review the Knowledge, Skills and Dispositions Standards and then sign at the bottom of the last page as your verification of receiving, reading, retaining, and agreeing to abide by this list of expectations.

Not Applicable N/A	Does not Meet Standard DNM	Developing Proficiency Toward Standard DP	Proficient Relative to Standards PR	Exceeds Standard E
Certain behaviors (e.g., 6.2 & 10.2) may be N/A in the early stages of the program. N/A may be used at the discretion of the clinical teacher or university supervisor.	The candidate displays behaviors contrary to those expected.	The candidate occasionally, but not consistently, displays the desired behaviors.	The candidate consistently displays the desired behaviors.	The candidate displays behaviors above and beyond those expected.

Standard 1 – Learner Development	N/A	DNM	DP	PR	Ε
1.1 The candidate respects learners' differing strengths and needs and is committed to					
using this information to further each learner's development.					
1.2 The candidate is committed to using learners' strengths as a basis for growth, and					
their misconceptions as opportunities for learning.					
1.3 The candidate shares responsibility with the mentor teacher for promoting learners' growth and development.					
1.4 The candidate locates or creates materials that furthers learner development and improves teaching.					
1.5 The candidate values the input and contributions of families, colleagues, and other					
professionals in understanding and supporting each learner's development.					
Comments:					
Standard 2 – Learning Differences	N/A	DNM	DP	PR	Е
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Standard 3 – Learning Environments	N/A	DNM	DP	PR	E
3.1 The candidate shares responsibility with the clinical teacher to establish positive and					
supportive learning environments.					
3.2 The candidate values the role of learners in promoting each other's learning and					
recognizes the importance of peer relationships in establishing a climate of learning.					
3.3 The candidate engages learners in collaborative and independent learning					
experiences that involve decision making, exploration and invention.					
3.4 The candidate seeks to foster respectful communication during field experiences and					
on campus.					
3.5 The candidate actively and consciously looks for stories, wisdom, action, and					
creations of knowledge from diverse perspectives.					
Comments:					
Standard 4 – Content Knowledge	N/A	DNM	DP	PR	Ε
4.1 The candidate realizes that content knowledge is not a fixed body of facts but is					
complex, culturally situated, and ever evolving. She/he keeps abreast of new ideas and					
understandings in the field.					
4.2 The candidate appreciates multiple perspectives within the discipline and facilitates					
learners' critical analysis of these perspectives.					
4.3 The candidate recognizes the potential of bias in his/her representation of the					
discipline and seeks to appropriately address the problems of bias. Receives feedback					
about bias in a positive manner and makes necessary adjustments.					
4.4 The candidate is committed to working toward each learner's mastery of disciplinary					
content and skills.					
Comments:					
Standard 5 – Application of Content	N/A	DNM	DP	PR	Ε
5.1 The candidate in collaboration with the clinical teacher explores how to use content as					
a lens to address local and global issues.					
5.2 The candidate values and integrates knowledge outside of his/her own content area to					
enhance student learning.					
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8.1 The candidate is committed to deepening awareness and understanding the strengths					
and needs of diverse learners when planning and adjusting instruction.					
8.2 The candidate recognizes and values multiple learning styles and encourages					
students to communicate their content knowledge in multiple ways conducive to their					
strengths.					
8.3 The candidate explores new and emerging technologies to support and promote					
student learning.					
8.4 The candidate locates and creates diverse materials to inspire and enrich student					
learning and to extend his/her instructional strategies.					
Comments:					
Standard 9 – Professional Learning and Ethical Practices	N/A	DNM	DP	PR	E
9.1 The candidate reflects upon performance and attitudes as a teacher and regularly					
reassesses his/her commitment to the profession.					
9.2 The candidate reflects on and offers ideas to address curricular, instructional, and					
classroom management matters.					
9.3 The candidate conveys a professional image in all aspects of life (e.g. dress, use of					
social media, e-mails, voicemails, texting, etc.)					
9.4 The candidate exhibits the energy drive and determination to make the classroom the					
best possible environment for teaching and learning.					
9.5 The candidate demonstrates self-confidence and enthusiasm for teaching and					
learning through body language, voice tone, eye contact, and preparedness.					
9.6 The candidate is dependable, conscientious, punctual, and follows through with					
assignments in a timely manner.					
9.7 The candidate displays honesty, integrity, and maintains confidentiality. She/he elicits					
trust and respect from students, peers, colleagues, and university faculty.					
9.8 The candidate produces original work and credits sources when appropriate in all field					
and course assignments.					
9.9 The candidate adheres to calls, school, and district rules and policies.					
9.10 The candidate understands the expectations of the profession, including codes of					
ethics, professional standards of practice, and relevant law and policy.					
Comments:					
Standard 10 – Leadership and Collaboration	N/A	DNM	DP	PR	E
10.1 The candidate interacts constructively with students, peers, colleagues, university					
faculty and families, and shows respect for the thoughts and feelings of others.					
10.2 The candidate contributes (e.g. communicates effectively, shares ideas and					
materials) as a member of an instructional team to achieve long term curriculum goals and					
support student learning.					
10.3 The candidate becomes a professional member of the learning community (e.g.					
attends faculty meetings, PLC, IEP's, inservice days, conferences, and supports clinical					
teacher in performing duties).					
10.4 The candidate embraces the challenge of continuous improvement, unforeseen					
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Your signature acknowledges that you have received, read, retained, and agree to abide by this list of expectations while in the Professional Licensure Program.

Request for Letter of Documentation

(Observation Hours)

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENT:

Give this to your supervisor at the beginning of (or before) your observation hours, and ask if he or she can have the letter ready for you when you have completed your 30 hours. Put the letter in your advising folder so you will have it when you apply to the program. Keep it in the original, SEALED, envelope.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SUPERVISOR:

Thank you for providing the opportunity for future teachers to get this valuable observation experience at your school. As part of the application for admission into the Professional Licensure Program at Western Oregon University, students need to get a confidential letter documenting 30 hours of classroom observation. During this time, the students' role is to observe and assist you. Would you be willing to write a letter using the following format, and give it to this student in a sealed envelope on the last day of his or her experience with vou?

LETTER TEMPLATE

(Must be written by supervisor, on school letterhead, and given to student in a sealed envelope that is signed across the seal)

School Letterhead

DATE

To Whom It May Concern:

In the first paragraph, please include the name of the student, a description of his or her time commitment (must be a minimum of 30 hours), setting, and dates of participation.

In the second paragraph, please include the student's specific responsibilities and tasks, as well as a basic evaluation of his or her performance.

In the third paragraph, please give any additional information you wish to share about the student's responsibilities from paragraph two.

In the fourth paragraph, please give your prediction of the student's future success as a teacher, based upon your personal observations. Include whether or not you recommend this student for the Professional Teacher Licensure Program at Western Oregon University, and why or why not.

In the last paragraph, provide your contact information in case follow-up is needed.

Sincerely,

Original Signature Here

Type your name here

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Faculty Name:	Date of Evaluation:

Course taken from faculty member: _____ Term/Year taken: _____ Grade earned: _____

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Dimensions	N/A	Serious Concerns 0	Needs Improvement 1	Emerging 2	Acceptable 3
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