

Undergraduate Teacher Education Advising

Welcome to the Teacher Education Program at Western Oregon University! Please use this checklist to keep track of your progress towards meeting the requirements to enter the Professional Teacher Licensure Program. Bring this checklist and your term-by-term course plan with you to each advising appointment.

Freshman Year

- Meet with your pre-education advisor to decide what grades and subjects you want to teach (your concentration).
- Review the requirements for entering the Licensure Program.
- Create a term-by-term plan to complete your pre-education courses at a pace that works best for you.
- Attend a Teacher Licensure Exam Preparation Workshop during your first term at WOU so you know how your courses align with the content you will need to know for exams.
- Complete your first set of classroom observation hours either late freshman year or early sophomore year and get a letter of documentation.

Sophomore Year

- Once you have completed ED 200 and ED 259, take your Civil Rights Exam.
- If you have not already taken the SAT with writing or the ACT with writing, take the CBEST to document your basic skills.
- Complete your second set of classroom observation hours either late sophomore year or early junior year and get a letter of documentation.

Junior & Senior Year

- Request faculty evaluations early junior year.
- Once you have completed your content courses, take your content exam(s).
- Apply to the Licensure Program by April 1st of junior year for Fall Cohort or October 1st of senior year for Winter Cohort (requires a cover letter and resume).
- During your senior year, as you start your student teaching, be prepared to be available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the first term, with an even greater time commitment in your second and third terms.