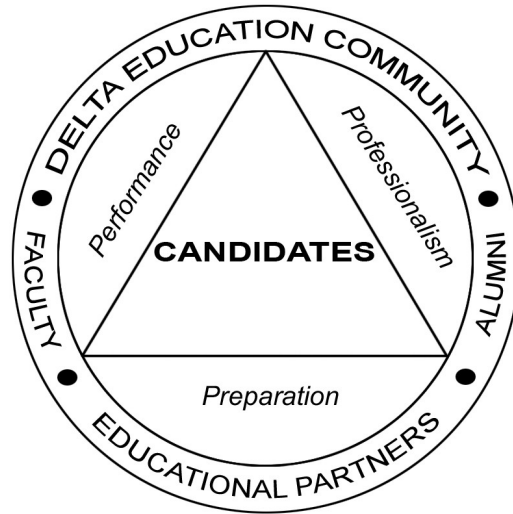


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**Master of Arts in Teaching
Handbook**

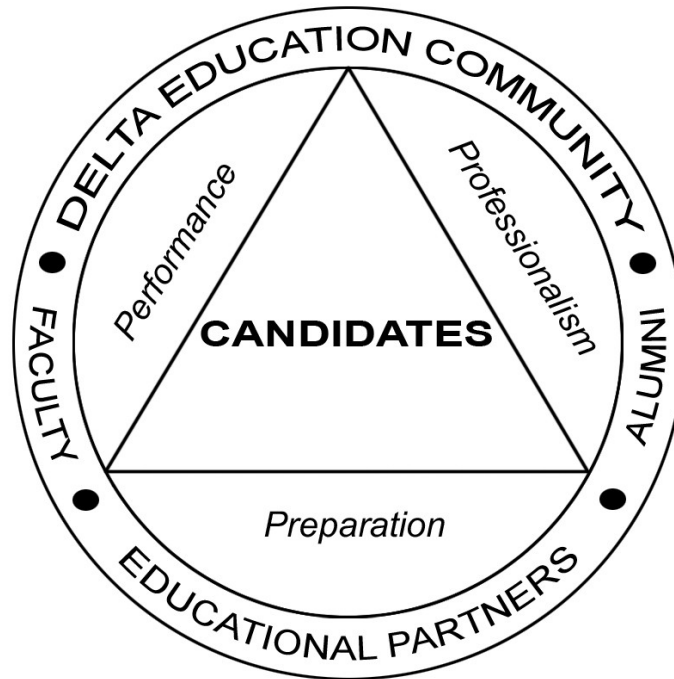
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Conceptual Framework

DELTA EDUCATION MODEL



Vision: The Delta State University College of Education and Human sciences promotes a vibrant educational community committed to preparing capable and confident teacher candidates who can positively affect learning outcomes of students in the P-12 school setting. Appropriately illustrated by the Delta triangle, the model reflects teacher candidate development through the triad of preparation, performance and professionalism, supported by the larger Delta educational community (faculty, educational partners, and alumni).

Guiding Principles:

1. Education is a lifelong endeavor, requiring an ever-expanding content knowledge base, a repertoire of skills, and a broad experience base. (GP1)
2. Education is interactive and reflective, a process that is accomplished through assessment and reflection of a collaborative nature. (GP2)
3. Education is culturally contextualized, requiring both an understanding and appreciation of the diversity of all individuals within the learning community. (GP3)
4. Education is dynamic, with change being driven by assessment data and the needs of all segments of the educational community. (GP4)
5. Education is enhanced by technology, infused throughout programs and services. (GP5)

MAT Program Learning Outcomes:

- PLO 1 – Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of content and pedagogical content appropriate for licensure area.**
- PLO 2 – Plan an integrated unit of instruction for a diverse student population.**
- PLO 3 – Demonstrate pedagogical and professional knowledge, skills, and dispositions.**
- PLO 4 – Demonstrate the ability to positively impact student learning.**
- PLO 5 – Demonstrate the ability to diagnose and remediate deficits in reading skills.**
- PLO 6 – Exhibit professional dispositions associated with successful teaching,**
- PLO 7 – Demonstrate the ability to synthesize views of education that are commensurate of best practices and professionalism.**

CHAPTER 1. THE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

INTRODUCTION

The Teacher Education Programs at Delta State University has as its major objective the preparation of excellent teachers who serve the Mississippi Delta region and beyond. There are many criteria to be met in the accomplishment of this objective. Certain identifiable characteristics, qualifications, and standards for admission to and retention in the program are set forth in this publication.

The administrative control of Teacher Education is centered in the Professional Education Council. The Chair of the Division of Teacher Education, Leadership and Research is the administrative chair for the Professional Education Council. Candidates who complete the appropriate curriculum in the prescribed sequence are eligible for Mississippi licensure.

Professional Education Council (PEC)

Delta State University's (DSU) Professional Education Council (PEC) shall serve as the governing authority for all professional education programs that prepare teachers and other P-12 school personnel. The general purpose of the PEC shall be to provide leadership in the process of educating and graduating professionals in the fields of teacher education, counselor education, and educational leadership who meet national standards and exhibit current best practices.

Goals: The goals of the PEC related to all initial and advanced professional education programs are:

- Ensure high quality curriculum and instruction in all professional education programs;
- Provide leadership in the development, evaluation, and continuous improvement of all professional education programs;
- Assist in making policies that meet requirements of the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE), the Board of the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL), and the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP)

Responsibilities: The responsibilities of the PEC related to all initial and advanced professional education programs shall be to:

- Review and approve curriculum changes for all initial and advanced professional education programs;
- Advise and provide input regarding decision-making, partnerships, assessments, and other relevant areas of the programs.
- Assist in advisement and policy that ensures effective partnerships and high quality, varied clinical practices are central to preparation in conjunction with the Assessment Committee.

- Review and approve policies for all initial and advanced professional education programs (e.g., admission to the program, field/clinical experiences, program completion);
- Consider state and federal mandates and assist in implementing them into the curriculum;
- Respond to mandates of the DSU Academic Council/Cabinet;
- Review accreditation standards and processes to assist in maintaining quality programs through continuous improvement;
- Review data from the common key assessments for initial programs and data from the key assessments for each advanced program to identify trends over time, and to improve programs and candidates' performance;
- Adjudicate candidates appeals (admission to the program, field/clinical experience placements, program completion);
- Advise the dean of the College of Education and Human Sciences on appropriate issues, as requested.

Organization: Members of the PEC shall be appointed annually by the Dean of the College of Education and Human Sciences, in consultation with division chairs in the College of Education and Human Sciences, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and the Director of Clinical Experiences, Licensure, and Accountability. The Chair of the Division of Teacher Education, Leadership, and Research shall serve as Chair of the PEC.

Membership: The membership of the PEC shall consist of 17 voting members and two ex officio members:

- Three to five full-time faculty members from the College of Education and Human Sciences;
- Two full-time faculty members from the College of Arts and Sciences;
- Three to five teachers from the P-12 schools inclusive of elementary and secondary;
- Three administrators from the P-12 schools;
- One representative from a community college;
- One business/community leader
- Chair of the Division of Teacher Education, Leadership, and Research;
- Director of Clinical Experiences, Licensure, and Accountability;
- One current candidate enrolled in an initial professional education program;
- One current candidate enrolled in an advanced professional education program;
- Executive Director of the Delta Area Association (ex officio);
- Dean of the College of Education and Human Sciences (ex officio).

Meetings: The meetings of the PEC shall be convened by the Chair of the Division of Teacher Education, Leadership, and Research. Meetings shall be held a minimum of two times each semester, usually in September, November, February, and April. Additional meetings shall be called as needed. A quorum shall be present in order to conduct official business of the PEC. The Chair of the PEC shall annually appoint a recorder of the minutes. The minutes shall be housed in the office of the Chair of the Division of Teacher Education, Leadership, and Research.

CHAPTER II: MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

The Master of Arts in Teaching program is designed for promising individuals with a non-education bachelor's degree to become classroom teachers in elementary (grades K-6) or secondary (grades 7-12). Candidates progress through the MAT program as part of a cohort, a design that will enhance the delivery of University support and promote collaboration in planning, implementation, and evaluation. The Mississippi Department of Education issues MAT program licensure in the following areas: Art, Biology, Business, Chemistry,

Elementary Education (grades K-6), English, French, German, Home Economics, Marketing, Math, Music, Physical Education, Physics, Social Studies, Spanish, Speech Communications, and Technology Education.

ADMISSION TO THE MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING PROGRAM

In addition to submitting an official application to the Delta State University Office of Graduate Studies and meeting general admission requirements for the Graduate School, applicants must submit a completed file that includes the following:

- Official verification of completion of a baccalaureate degree from a regional, national, or international accredited institution
- Official documentation of having passed the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators examination by making the scores required by the Mississippi Department of Education on the subtests of reading, writing, and mathematics OR documentation of at least 21 on the ACT OR documentation of a 3.0 or higher on undergraduate degree.
- Official documentation of having passed the Praxis II Specialty Area test by obtaining the required score required by the Mississippi Department of Education in the content area
- Official documentation of a passing score on the Mississippi Foundations of Reading test (elementary majors only)
- A minimal overall GPA of 2.75 on the undergraduate degree
- A computer-generated essay of 250 words: Why you want to teach and what you think you will contribute to the field of education
- Admitted students are required to enroll in 9 hours of initial course work as specified by the program of study (prior approval is required): CEL/CUR 611 Classroom Management, CEL/CUR 612 Development, Assessment, and Evaluation, and CSP 546 Advanced Survey of Exceptional Children.

Actual admission to the program is not attained until all requirements listed above are fulfilled. Once candidates are fully admitted to the MAT program, they may apply for a temporary three-year teaching license which is issued by the Mississippi Department of Education. All candidates must be fully admitted before enrollment in the internship courses: CEL/CUR 650.

INTERNSHIP (CEL/CUR 650 Dimensions of Learning)

Teacher candidates preparing to teach in elementary schools, middle schools, or high schools are expected to obtain a fulltime teaching position in the grade level and subject area in which they are seeking teacher certification. Interns will be assigned a university supervisor who will supervise their teaching experience. **All requirements for full admission must be met before a candidate registers for the internship courses including having a background check on file in the Director of Field Experience's office.**

Candidates must complete the application for internship (located on the MAT page of the DSU website) and send it to the MAT coordinator. The deadline for the Internship application is **July 1** for the Fall semester and **December 1** for the Spring semester.

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF THE PROGRAM

In order to complete the Master of Arts in Teaching Program and qualify for Mississippi teacher licensure, a candidate must have satisfactorily passed a background check through Verified Credentials prior to any field experience (CEL/CUR 612), completed all courses for the degree, obtained a 3.0 cumulative GPA, completed the two semesters of internship successfully, satisfactorily passed the comprehensive exam, submitted to Anthology and satisfactorily passed all required program assessments, passed satisfactorily the Praxis CORE and/or ACT with a 21 or higher and/or submitted an undergraduate transcript with a 3.0 or higher, and passed the PRAXIS II Specialty Area and the Foundations of Reading Exam (elementary candidates only). These tests must also be passed prior to internship.

Non-licensure candidates must meet the above requirements except for the licensure tests and internship courses. In place of the internship, non-licensure candidates take two approved electives.

LICENSURE

A candidate who meets all requirements of the Master of Arts in Teaching Program and for graduation at Delta State University is issued a license in the candidate's specialized field by the Mississippi Department of Education.

Candidate Checklist for Degree Completion

The following checklist includes the tasks, assessments, and experiences each candidate must complete in order to be admitted to internship. Many of these represent major assessments that are used to evaluate and report to our accrediting body (Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation) the program's effectiveness with preparing candidates to become licensed teachers who can positively impact grades K-12 students. Such assessments are underlined throughout the checklist.

_____ Obtain **transcript evaluation** (transfer students only).

_____ Take and pass the **Core Academic Skills for Educators Test**. Scores must be sent to the MAT coordinator.

Educators must take and pass the Core in order to meet certification requirements.

#5713 **Reading** with minimum score of 156

#5723 **Writing** with minimum score of 162

#5733 **Math** with minimum score of 130

Note: If candidates have a 21 or above on the ACT OR submitted an undergraduate transcript with the degree attained of a 3.0 or better, they are exempt from the Praxis CORE.

_____ Take and pass the **Praxis II Specialty Area exam**. Scores must be sent to the MAT coordinator. (Licensure candidates only.)

_____ Take and pass the **Mississippi Foundations of Reading exam (Elementary candidates only)**. Scores must be sent to the MAT coordinator. (Licensure candidates only.)

_____ Read ***Program of Study Sheet for Elementary or Secondary*** (front and back), and review as needed.

- _____ Maintain 3.0 GPA in **all classes** (ongoing).
- _____ Successfully complete CEL/CUR 611 Classroom Management and satisfactorily complete **Dispositions Rating Scale**
- _____ Successfully complete CEL/CUR 612 Development, Assessment, & Evaluation and **background check**
- _____ Successfully complete CSP 546 Advanced Survey of Exceptional Children
- _____ Decide on one or more **Concentration Areas**: 1) _____ 2) _____
(Secondary licensure candidates only)
- _____ Apply for three-year teaching license (Licensure candidates only)
- _____ Apply for the internship courses (CEL/CUR 650 Dimensions of Learning). Non-licensure candidates will take two approved electives in place of the internship courses.
- _____ Successfully complete CEL/CUR 650 Dimensions of Learning (semester 1) **Dispositions Rating Scale, TIAI 1-6, and TIAI 7-27** (Licensure candidates only)
- _____ Successfully complete CEL/CUR 650 Dimensions of Learning (semester 2) **Dispositions Rating Scale and Impact on Student Learning (ISL)** (Licensure candidates only)
- _____ Successfully complete
 ELR 605 Methods of Educational Research and Statistics
 CRD 628 Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum **Philosophy of Education and Reading and Writing Portfolio**
 CSD 614 Methods of Instruction in Secondary Schools (secondary only) **TIAI and ISL 1-7**
 CSD 632 Secondary Curriculum Planning, Theory, Organization, and Development (secondary only) **Philosophy of Education**
 CUR 635 High Leverage Practices in the Content Areas (secondary only) **TIAI**
 CEL 514 Early Literacy I (elementary only)
 CEL 615 Early Literacy II (elementary only)
 CUR 600 STEM Methods (elementary only)
 CRD 629 Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Difficulties (elementary only)
- _____ Apply for **comprehensive exams** (during registration for your last semester).
- _____ Apply for graduation during registration for your last semester.
 At this point, you have satisfied the requirements for the Master of Arts in Teaching degree.

MAT Field Experience Progression Chart

The following chart illustrates the field experiences required for the MAT program. A satisfactory background check through Verified Credentials must be on file with the Director of Field Experiences and is a prerequisite for completing the program as several of the following courses require interaction with elementary and secondary students. During all field experiences the candidate

must adhere to the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics. The Code of Ethics is found here: https://www.mdek12.org/sites/default/files/documents/code-of-ethics_final.pdf and on page 60 of this Handbook.

It is highly recommended that candidates join Mississippi Professional Educators before any field experience. The student application is found here: https://www.mpe.org/general/register_member_type.asp?

Course Title and Prefix	Number of Clinical Hours Required Per Course with the Total Hours for the Program Included	Description of Candidate's Role in Experience	Description of Placement	Assessment of Experience
CEL 611 (elementary) CUR 611 (secondary): Classroom Management	10 hours for course/1594 hours for program	Candidates observe 10 hours in a school. Acting as a lead teacher, the candidate outlines a workshop using operating and programmatic approaches to develop and sustain a safe classroom. Candidates interview a practicing teacher regarding classroom management. Candidates complete a reflection focused on how daily operating procedures support student achievement and prepare a report for the teacher interview.	CEL 611 candidates observe an elementary classroom. CUR 611 candidates observe a secondary classroom.	Candidates' written reflections and interview report are evaluated by the instructor.
CEL 612 (elementary) CUR 612 (secondary): Development, Assessment, & Evaluation	8 hours for course/1594 hours for program	Candidates observe 8 hours of instruction focusing on assessment topics and complete a reflection based on the experience. Complete a Verified Credentials background check.	CEL 612 candidates observe an elementary classroom. CUR 612 candidates observe a secondary classroom.	Candidates' written reflections are evaluated by the instructor. There is also a checklist that must be signed by the classroom teacher. Video observations are assigned in the summer.

CSP 546 (elementary and secondary): Advanced Survey of Exceptional Children	5 hours for course/ 1594 hours for program	Candidates observe videotaped instruction and application of concepts focused on teaching the exceptional child in a diverse classroom.	Candidates observe elementary and secondary classroom scenarios.	Candidates' written reflections are evaluated by instructor-created rubrics. Reflections are also included in discussion boards and on other instructional technology.
CEL 514 (elementary); Early Literacy I	10 hours for course/1594 hours for program	Candidates administer phonemic awareness and phonics assessments to one child. Candidates write phonemic awareness and phonics lessons to follow up the assessments.	CEL 514 candidates administer assessments and write lesson plans for the elementary student tailored to the assessment outcomes.	The assessments are videotaped by the candidate and evaluated with a rubric. The lesson plans are evaluated with a rubric.
CEL 615 (elementary); Early Literacy II	10 hours for course/1,594 hours for program	Candidates give two assessments (one diagnostic and one for oral reading fluency) and teach three lesson plans (vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension) tailored to the needs of the assessed child.	Elementary classroom in a K-6 grade literacy setting. Candidates demonstrate techniques for teaching the essential elements of reading to diverse learners, including English Language Learners.	Each of the five clinical experiences are evaluated with a rubric. On unit exams, candidates must demonstrate how to develop and teach a vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension lesson (through performance assessments) and must show knowledge of these concepts on written assessments.
CSD 614 (secondary): Methods of Instruction in Secondary Schools	15 hours for course/1,594 hours for program	Candidates are responsible for four observation sessions.	Candidates will observe secondary classrooms through videos, professional development,	Candidates respond in writing to three prompts for each observation. The prompts are evaluated by the instructor.

			and webinars.	
CRD 628 (elementary and secondary): Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum	10 hours for the course/1,594 hours for program	Candidates prepare a Reading and Writing Portfolio that contains pre/posttest assessments, analysis of data, lesson plans for nine days, student work samples, reflection for each lesson, research analysis, and a peer observation report.	Candidates prepare and teach nine lessons in either an elementary or a secondary classroom. The lessons are recorded.	The candidates' Reading and Writing Portfolios are evaluated with a rubric. A peer reviews one of the recorded lessons and offers feedback.
CRD 629 (elementary): Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Difficulties	6 hours for the course/1,594 hours for program	Candidates will administer a pretest/posttest, prepare and teach four remedial one-on-one lessons based on students' identified needs, prepare a reflection on the lessons, and a case study on the child in which they analyze the data to identify strengths and weaknesses.	Candidates will provide remediation to one kindergarten or first grade student in an elementary school setting.	The instructor evaluates videos of teaching sessions, reflections, and case studies.
CEL 650 (elementary)/CUR 650 (secondary): Dimensions of Learning/Internship Two semesters	760 hours or 19 weeks for two P-12 semesters for a total of 1,520 hours or 38 weeks for course/1,594 hours for program	Candidates plan and implement a 5-10 day TIAI unit accompanied by a Teacher Work Sample for a diverse group of students that include SPED, ELL, enrichment and remedial. Candidates plan and implement daily lessons in the subject area(s) he or she is assigned to teach for diverse groups of students.	Candidates' school in which he/she is employed.	Candidates are evaluated formally 5 times by the university supervisory using the TIAI scoring guide. Candidates are evaluated by the university supervisor on the TWS using the 8 TWS rubrics.

CHAPTER III: INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

DEFINITION

At Delta State University, the internship is defined as that period of the graduate Master of Arts in Teaching Program in which the candidate registers for internship, obtains a fulltime teaching position in the candidate's endorsement area, and completes the assignments and program assessments that align with the internship courses (CEL/CUR 650 Dimensions of Learning). The internship semester is preceded by various professional courses which prepare the teacher candidate for the internship experience. This work is supervised by the principal and university supervisor.

TERMINOLOGY

Teacher Candidate – the university student who is engaged in internship.

University Supervisor – the university representative responsible for supervising a teacher candidate or a group of teacher candidates in order to ensure all clinical experiences are completed and data are collected. University supervisors also ensure that interns are adhering to all InTASC and CAEP standards.

Director of Clinical Experiences, Licensure, and Accountability – the person designated by the University with the administrative responsibility for organizing and coordinating the University's program of internship.

Teacher Intern Assessment Instrument (TIAI) and Impact on Student Learning (ISL) – The TIAI and ISL are statewide assessments created through collaboration with other Mississippi EPP representatives. All candidates are scored using the TIAI and ISL instruments in the areas of planning and preparation, assessment, instruction, learning environment, professional responsibilities, and management. In order to receive a passing grade in internship, each candidate must pass each indicator in the TIAI and ISL.

THE ROLE OF THE UNIVERSITY SUPERVISOR

The university supervisor provides the link between the university and the participating school districts. The university supervisor is involved in orientation, supervision, evaluation, and overall concern for the program.

Individualized teacher education programs are managed by university supervisors who are trained in the TIAI and the ISL and experienced in various fields of specialization. Minimum requirements for the selection of university supervisors include appropriate professional experience for grade levels supervised, ability to demonstrate effective teaching strategies and methods, willingness to assume the roles expected of a mentor, ability to work as a team member and facilitate professional learning, and training with evaluation of the Teacher Intern Assessment Instrument (TIAI) and the Impact on Student Learning (ISL).

The university supervisor is expected to visit each teacher candidate a **minimum** of **FIVE** times (one visit per month for August through December in fall internship and January through May for spring internship). The university supervisor has the responsibility for evaluating the teacher candidate using the TIAI and the ISL. Through observations of the teacher candidate engaged in instruction, the university supervisor provides at least five evaluations (one evaluation per month) with oral and written feedback to ensure that the teacher candidate passes all parts of the TIAI and the ISL. The supervisor is required to document five formal evaluations of the candidate in Anthology using the TIAI scoring guide. In addition, the supervisor is required to document two evaluations of the ISL in Anthology using the ISL rubrics. In some cases, a teacher candidate may pass all the indicators during one visit, while other teacher candidates may require further observations to satisfactorily

complete all the indicators. Regardless, additional visits are made to all candidates each month to continue to provide feedback to the teacher candidates. Lesson plans and records of work are checked during each visit. The teacher candidate may call for a conference with the university supervisor when the need arises. The university supervisor is also responsible for assessing the candidates' dispositions and recording the evaluation in Anthology using the dispositions rating scale.

Responsibilities of University Supervisor:

1. Read the Master of Arts in Teaching Handbook and plan to attend scheduled Supervisor trainings regarding supervision of teacher interns, TIAI, ISL, and Anthology.
2. Visit teacher intern at least once within the first 3 weeks of internship to evaluate the teaching of a lesson. Use the TIAI scoring guide to evaluate the lesson and provide written and oral feedback to the teacher intern after the lesson.
5. During visits to the teacher candidate, the DSU supervisor should conference and share information on evaluation results and the teacher candidate's teaching performance, personal responsibilities, and professional development.
6. Direct the preparation of the TIAI unit and ISL and schedule consecutive dates for teaching the unit.
7. Evaluate the teacher candidate during the teaching of the TIAI unit using the TIAI scoring guide. Conference with the teacher candidate concerning the results of the lesson taught. The TIAI evaluation will need to be submitted on Anthology by the first of December and the first of May along with the other four evaluations.
8. Evaluate the teacher interns' dispositions and submit the evaluation on Anthology by the first of December and the first of May.
9. Submit the Teacher Candidate's Final Grade report by the first of December and the first of May.

THE ROLE OF THE TEACHER CANDIDATE

Every effort is made to prepare teacher candidates, both academically and psychologically, for the task ahead. Since internship is a new experience for the candidates, some tension and misgivings may be felt. This reaction is not unusual, even among the best students, and need not be cause for alarm. The well-prepared teacher candidates have confidence in their ability to become classroom teachers without difficulty. The teacher candidates are looking forward to the challenge and opportunity of proving their own worth.

Any deficiencies in subject matter knowledge and skills must be overcome by hard work on the part of the candidate. It may mean long hours of studying outside the school day. Teacher candidates must display the dispositions of good teachers at all times. **Dispositions have been reinforced throughout the teacher candidate's program and must be continued throughout internship. Failure to abide by the Dispositions Rating Scale may result in dismissal from the Master of Arts in Teaching program and/or internship. Teacher candidates must also follow the MS Educator Code of Ethics. Failure to uphold the Code of Ethics may result in dismissal from the Master of Arts in Teaching program and/or internship.**

EVALUATION

Delta State University has the "Credit or No-Credit" system of evaluating teacher candidates during the internship. When the teacher candidate successfully completes his/her program, he/she will be a well-prepared teacher. Each new teacher will have successfully passed all indicators in the TIAI and the ISL.

If the university supervisor reports documented failure of the candidate to master the indicators in the TIAI and ISL, intense remediation is provided to the candidate by the supervisor. If, however, after remediation, the candidate continues to fail indicators on the TIAI and/or ISL, the candidate may be removed from internship. A remediation plan for the candidate is then drafted and agreed upon by the Director of

Clinical Experiences, Licensure, and Accountability, the chair of Teacher Education, the supervisor, and the candidate's advisor on campus. The candidate must successfully complete the remediation plan in order to enter into internship in a subsequent semester.

In addition, teacher candidates must maintain satisfactory scores on the Dispositions Rating Scale and must abide by the MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct to successfully complete internship and/or the Master of Arts in Teaching program.

ACCREDITATION STANDARDS

The Master of Arts in Teaching Program aligns with the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and The Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (InTASC) standards.



2022 Initial Level Standards

Standard 1: Content and Pedagogical Knowledge

The provider ensures that candidates develop an understanding of the critical concepts and principles of their discipline and facilitates candidates' reflection of their personal biases to increase their understanding and practice of equity, diversity, and inclusion. The provider is intentional in the development of their curriculum and clinical experiences for candidates to demonstrate their ability to effectively work with diverse P-12 students and their families.

R1.1 The Learner and Learning The provider ensures candidates are able to apply their knowledge of the learner and learning at the appropriate progression levels. Evidence provided should demonstrate that candidates are able to apply critical concepts and principles of learner development (InTASC Standard 1), learning differences (InTASC Standard 2), and creating safe and supportive learning environments (InTASC Standard 3) in order to work effectively with diverse P-12 students and their families.

R1.2 Content The provider ensures candidates are able to apply their knowledge of content at the appropriate progression levels. Evidence provided demonstrates candidates know central concepts of their content area (InTASC Standard 4) and are able to apply the content in developing equitable and inclusive learning experiences (InTASC Standard 5) for diverse P-12 students. Outcome data can be provided from a Specialized Professional Associations (SPA) process, a state review process, or an evidence review of Standard 1.

R1.3 Instructional Practice The provider ensures that candidates are able to apply their knowledge of InTASC standards relating to instructional practice at the appropriate progression levels. Evidence demonstrates how candidates are able to assess (InTASC Standard 6), plan for instruction (InTASC Standard 7), and utilize a variety of instructional strategies (InTASC Standard 8) to provide equitable and inclusive learning experiences for diverse P-12 students. Providers ensure candidates model and apply national or state approved technology standards to engage and improve learning for all students.

R1.4 Professional Responsibility The provider ensures candidates are able to apply their knowledge of professional responsibility at the appropriate progression levels. Evidence provided should demonstrate candidates engage in professional learning, act ethically (InTASC Standard 9), take responsibility for student learning, and collaborate with others (InTASC Standard 10) to work effectively with diverse P-12 students and their families.

Standard 2: Clinical Partnerships and Practice

The provider ensures effective partnerships and high-quality clinical practice are central to candidate preparation. These experiences should be designed to develop candidate's knowledge, skills, and professional dispositions to demonstrate positive impact on diverse students' learning and development. High quality clinical practice offers candidates experiences in different settings and modalities, as well as with diverse P-12 students, schools, families, and communities. Partners share responsibility to identify and address real problems of practice candidates experience in their engagement with P-12 students.

R2.1 Partnerships for Clinical Preparation Partners co-construct mutually beneficial P-12 school and community arrangements for clinical preparation and share responsibility for continuous improvement of candidate preparation.

R2.2 Clinical Educators Partners co-select, prepare, evaluate, and support high-quality clinical educators, both provider- and school-based, who demonstrate a positive impact on candidates' development and diverse P-12 student learning and development.

R2.3 Clinical Experiences The provider works with partners to design and implement clinical experiences, utilizing various modalities, of sufficient depth, breadth, diversity, coherence, and duration to ensure candidates demonstrate their developing effectiveness and positive impact on diverse P-12 students' learning and development as presented in Standard R1.

Standard 3: Candidate Recruitment, Progression, and Support

The provider demonstrates the quality of candidates is a continuous and purposeful focus from recruitment through completion. The provider demonstrates that development of candidate quality is the goal of educator preparation and that the EPP provides supports services (such as advising, remediation, and mentoring) in all phases of the program so candidates will be successful.

R3.1 Recruitment The provider presents goals and progress evidence for recruitment of high-quality candidates from a broad range of backgrounds and diverse populations that align with their mission. The provider demonstrates efforts to know and address local, state, regional, or national needs for hard-to-staff schools and shortage fields. The goals and evidence should address progress towards a candidate pool which reflects the diversity of America's P-12 students.

R3.2 Monitoring and Supporting Candidate Progression The provider creates and monitors transition points from admission through completion that indicate candidates' developing content knowledge, pedagogical knowledge, pedagogical skills, critical dispositions, professional responsibilities, and the ability to integrate technology effectively in their practice. The provider identifies a transition point at any point in the program when a cohort grade point average of 3.0 is achieved and monitors this data. The provider ensures knowledge of and progression through transition points are transparent to candidates. The provider plans and documents the need for candidate support, as identified in disaggregated data by race and ethnicity and such other categories as may be relevant for the EPP's mission, so candidates meet milestones. The provider has a system for effectively maintaining records of candidate complaints, including complaints made to CAEP, and documents the resolution.

R3.3 Competency at Completion The provider ensures candidates possess academic competency to teach effectively with positive impacts on diverse P-12 student learning and development through application of content knowledge, foundational pedagogical skills, and technology integration in the field(s) where certification is sought. Multiple measures are provided and data are disaggregated and analyzed based on race, ethnicity, and such other categories as may be relevant for the EPP's mission.

Standard 4: Program Impact

The provider demonstrates the effectiveness of its completers' instruction on P-12 student learning and development, and completer and employer satisfaction with the relevance and effectiveness of preparation.

R4.1 Completer Effectiveness The provider demonstrates that program completers:

- effectively contribute to P-12 student-learning growth

AND

- apply in P-12 classrooms the professional knowledge, skills, and dispositions that the preparation experiences were designed to achieve. In addition, the provider includes a rationale for the data elements provided.

R4.2 Satisfaction of Employers The provider demonstrates employers are satisfied with the completers' preparation for their assigned responsibilities in working with diverse P-12 students and their families.

R4.3 Satisfaction of Completers The provider demonstrates program completers perceive their preparation as relevant to the responsibilities they encounter on the job, and their preparation was effective.

Standard 5: Quality Assurance System and Continuous Improvement

The provider maintains a quality assurance system that consists of valid data from multiple measures and supports continuous improvement that is sustained and evidence-based. The system is developed and maintained with input from internal and external stakeholders. The provider uses the results of inquiry and data collection to establish priorities, enhance program elements, and highlight innovations.

R5.1 Quality Assurance System The provider has developed, implemented, and modified, as needed, a functioning quality assurance system that ensures a sustainable process to document operational effectiveness. The provider documents how data enter the system, how data are reported and used in decision making, and how the outcomes of those decisions inform programmatic improvement.

R5.2 Data Quality The provider's quality assurance system from R5.1 relies on relevant, verifiable, representative, cumulative, and actionable measures to ensure interpretations of data are valid and consistent.

R5.3 Stakeholder Involvement The provider includes relevant internal (e.g., EPP administrators, faculty, staff, candidates) and external (e.g., alumni, practitioners, school and community partners, employers) stakeholders in program design, evaluation, and continuous improvement processes.

R5.4 Continuous Improvement The provider regularly, systematically, and continuously assesses performance against its goals and relevant standards, tracks results over time, documents modifications and/or innovations and their effects on EPP outcomes.

Standard 6: Fiscal and Administrative Capacity

The EPP has the fiscal and administrative capacity, faculty, infrastructure (facilities, equipment, and supplies) and other resources as appropriate to the scale of its operations and as necessary for the preparation of candidates to meet professional, state, and institutional standards. **For EPPs whose institution is accredited by an accreditor recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education (e.g., SACSCOC, HLC), such accreditation will be considered sufficient evidence of compliance with Standard 6.** If an EPP's institution is not accredited by an accreditor recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education, the EPP must address each component of ST 6 in narrative supported by evidence.

R6.1 Fiscal Resources The EPP has the fiscal capacity as appropriate to the scale of its operations. The budget for curriculum, instruction, faculty, clinical work, scholarship, etc., supports high-quality work within the EPP and its school partners for the preparation of professional educators.

R6.2 Administrative Capacity The EPP has administrative capacity as appropriate to the scale of its operations, including leadership and authority to plan, deliver, and operate coherent programs of study so that their candidates are prepared to meet all standards. Academic calendars, catalogs, publications, grading policies, and advertising are current, accurate, and transparent.

R6.3 Faculty Resources The EPP has professional education faculty that have earned doctorates or equivalent P-12 teaching experience that qualifies them for their assignments. The EPP provides adequate resources and opportunities for professional development of faculty, including training in the use of technology.

R6.4 Infrastructure The EPP has adequate campus and school facilities, equipment, and supplies to support candidates in meeting standards. The infrastructure supports faculty and candidate use of information technology in instruction.

****Only For EPPs seeking access to Title IV funds****

Standard 7: Record of Compliance with Title IV of the Higher Education Act

Freestanding EPPs relying on CAEP accreditation to access Title IV of the Higher Education Act must demonstrate 100% compliance with their responsibilities under Title IV of the Act, including but not limited to, on the basis of student loan default rate data provided by the Secretary, financial and compliance audits, and program reviews conducted by the U.S. Department of Education. Freestanding EPPs will need to provide narrative and evidence for all components of ST 7.

InTASC STANDARDS

InTASC standards are aligned with the TIAI indicators and delineate the knowledge, skills and dispositions expected of beginning teachers.

THE LEARNER AND LEARNING

Standard #1: Learner Development

The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard #2: Learning Differences

The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #3: Learning Environments

The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

CONTENT KNOWLEDGE

Standard #4: Content Knowledge

The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make these aspects of the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Standard #5: Application of Content

The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICE

Standard #6: Assessment

The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction

The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies

The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice

The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration

The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

CHAPTER IV: MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING PROGRAM ASSESSMENTS

There are six program assessments contained in the Master of Arts in Teaching program. Candidates' scores are stored within Anthology for data collection and analysis. The assessments are the Teacher Intern Assessment Instrument (TIAI), Impact on Student Learning (ISL), Dispositions Rating Scale, Philosophy of Education, Reading and Writing Portfolio. In the last semester of the Program, candidates take the Comprehensive Exam.

Teacher Intern Assessment Instrument (TIAI) Indicators

Domain I: Planning and Preparation

1. Develops measurable and observable grade and subject level objectives that are aligned with appropriate state curricula frameworks. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 7, TRG 1)
2. Develops meaningful and authentic learning experiences that accommodate developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 2, GR 2)
3. Integrates core content knowledge across and within subject areas in lessons when appropriate. (CAEP R1.2, InTASC 4, TGR 4)
4. Plans appropriate and sequential teaching procedures that include innovative introductions and closures. Teaching procedures incorporate different teaching strategies that positively impact student learning and development. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 8, TGR 2)
5. Plans indicate use of appropriate assessments that effectively evaluate student learning and development. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 6, TGR 3)
6. Plans include technology that will engage students in analysis, creativity, and deeper learning experiences to improve student growth, development, and understanding. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 7, TGR 6, ISTE 5)

Domain II: Assessment

7. Communicates assessment criteria and performance standards to the students and provides feedback to students about academic performance. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 6, TGR 3)
8. Uses formative and summative assessments to differentiate learning experiences that accommodate the learning and development of each learner in the group. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 6, TGR 3)

Domain III: Instruction

9. Uses standard written, oral, and nonverbal communication in instruction. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 3, TGR 4)
10. Provides explicit written and oral directions for instructional activities. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 3, TGR 4)
11. Communicates positive expectations for learning for all students. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 2, TGR 2)

12. Conveys enthusiasm for teaching and learning for all students. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 3, TGR 7)
13. Provides opportunities for all students to cooperate, communicate, and interact with each other to enhance learning. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 3, TGR 5)
14. Demonstrates content knowledge and an understanding of how to teach the content. (CAEP R1.2, InTASC 4, TGR 4)
15. Uses a variety of appropriate teaching strategies, including technology, to impact student learning and development. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 8, TGR 4, ISTE 5, 6, 7)
16. Planned learning experiences are implemented that accommodate differences in developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 1, TGR 2)
17. Engages all students in critical thinking through higher-order questioning. (R1.2, InTASC 5, TGR 4)
18. Adjusts instruction as needed based on student input, cues, and individual/group responses. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 8, TGR 4)
19. Uses family and/or community resources in instruction to impact student learning and development. (CAEP R1.4, InTASC 10, TGR 9)

Domain IV: Learning Environment

20. Adjusts the classroom environment to enhance positive peer relationships, motivation and learning. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 3, TGR 5)
21. Attends to and delegates routine tasks. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 3, TGR 6)
22. Uses multiple strategies to foster appropriate student behavior according to individual and situational needs. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 3, TGR 5)
23. Creates a culturally inclusive environment that promotes fairness, safety, respect, and support for all students. (CAEP R1.1, InTASC 3, TGR 7)
24. Maximizes instructional time. (CAEP R1.3, InTASC 7, TGR 6)

Domain V: Professional Responsibilities

25. Collaborates with professional colleagues (classroom mentor teacher and/or university supervisor) to communicate with families about student learning and development. (CAEP R1.4, InTASC 10, TGR 9, ISTE 4)

Teacher Intern Assessment Instrument (TIAI) Scoring Guide

The TIAI has been aligned to InTASC Standards, CAEP Standards, & Mississippi Educator Performance Growth System/Teacher Growth Rubric (TGR).

DOMAIN I: PLANNING AND PREPARATION

*Items 1-6 should be assessed from written lesson and unit plans, classroom observations, and from other artifacts (pretests, inventories, surveys, etc.)

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	7	1	1. Develops measurable and observable grade and subject level objectives that are aligned with appropriate state curricula frameworks.	Objectives are not measurable, observable, or aligned with appropriate state curricula frameworks.	Objectives are aligned with appropriate state curricula frameworks, but they are not measurable or observable.	Objectives are measurable, observable, and aligned with appropriate state curricula frameworks.	In addition to meets standard, objectives are stated at different instructional levels based on individual needs of students (DOK Levels and/or Bloom’s Taxonomy).
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:					Summative Assessment Score:		
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:					Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:		

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	2	2	2. Develops meaningful and authentic learning experiences that accommodate developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group.*	Does not develop meaningful nor authentic learning experiences that accommodate developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group.	Develops meaningful and authentic learning experiences, but accommodations are not made to meet individual needs of each learner in the group.	Develops meaningful and authentic learning experiences that accommodate developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group.	In addition to meets standard, provides evidence of research-based strategies that accommodate developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group.
*Examples include developing learning experiences (remediation, enrichment, accommodations) planned for students with disabilities or exceptionalities, students who are gifted, and students who represent diversity based on ethnicity, race, socioeconomic status, gender, language, religion, sexual identification, and/or geographic origin.							
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:					Summative Assessment Score:		
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:					Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:		

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
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R1.2	4	4	3. Integrates core content knowledge across and within subject areas in lessons when appropriate.	Instructional plans never integrate core content knowledge across and within subject areas.	Instructional plans integrate irrelevant core content knowledge across and within subject areas (does not make connections).	Instructional plans integrate core content knowledge across and within subject areas in lessons when appropriate.	In addition to meets standard, instructional plans include connections of content across disciplines.*
*To Exceed Standard, the instructional plans include integrating content connections across disciplines throughout the internship experience.							
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	8	2	4. Plans appropriate and sequential teaching procedures that include innovative introductions and closures. Teaching procedures incorporate different teaching strategies that positively impact student learning and development.*	Does not plan appropriate or sequential teaching procedures that include innovative introductions and closures. Different teaching strategies are not utilized.	Plans lack logical sequence and different teaching strategies.	Plans appropriate and sequential teaching procedures that include innovative introductions and closures. Teaching procedures incorporate different teaching strategies that positively impact student learning and development.	In addition to meets standard, multiple lesson plans cited research-based evidence.
*Examples include but are limited to the following: cooperative learning, discovery learning, demonstration, discussion, inquiry, simulation, etc.							
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	6	3	5. Plans indicate use of appropriate assessments that effectively evaluate student learning and development.*	Plans do not indicate use of assessments that effectively evaluate student learning and development.	Plans indicate use of assessments but not all are appropriate.	Plans indicate use of appropriate assessments that effectively evaluate student learning and development.	In addition to meets standard, assessments are performance-based to enhance critical thinking and problem solving.
*Examples include assessments aligned with standards and objectives such as pre/post assessments, quizzes, unit tests, rubrics, and/or checklists.							
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			

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CAEP	InTASC	TGR	ISTE	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	7	6	5	6. Plans include technology that will engage students in analysis, creativity, and deeper learning experiences to improve student growth, development, and understanding.*	Plans do not include technology that will engage students.	Plans lack logical use of technology.	Plans include technology that will engage students in analysis, creativity, and deeper learning experiences to improve student growth, development, and understanding.	In addition to meets standard, multiple lesson plans utilize technology to enhance learning opportunities.

*Examples of technology include the implementation of digital learning programs using Ipads, Chromebooks, powerpoints, Smart Boards, Promethean Boards, cell phones, etc.

SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS

Formative Assessment Score:	Summative Assessment Score:
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:	Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:

DOMAIN II: ASSESSMENT

*Items 7 – 8 should reflect the teacher intern’s ability to effectively communicate assessment information to the students, provide feedback, and incorporate informal and formal assessments. Items should be assessed from written lesson and unit plans, classroom observations, and from other artifacts (pretests, inventories, surveys, etc.)

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	6	3	7. Communicates assessment criteria and performance standards to the students and provides feedback to students about academic performance.	Does not communicate assessment criteria or performance standards to the students or provide feedback to students about academic performance.	Communicates assessment criteria and performance standards to the students. Fails to provide students with feedback.	Communicates assessment criteria and performance standards to the students and provides feedback to students about their academic performance.	Student input is sought in developing assessment criteria. Provides clear and actionable feedback that helps the student understand what s/he did well and provides guidance for improvement.*

*To meet the **Exceeds Standard**, intern must complete both stated requirements.

SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS

Formative Assessment Score:	Summative Assessment Score:
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:	Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	6	3	8. Uses formative and summative assessments to differentiate learning experiences that accommodate the learning and development of each learner in the group.*	Does not use formative and summative assessments to differentiate learning experiences that accommodate the learning and development of each learner in the group.	Uses formative and summative assessments but fails to differentiate learning experiences that accommodate differences in learning and development of each learner in the group.	Uses formative and summative assessments to differentiate learning experiences that accommodate the learning and development of each learner in the group.	In addition to meets standard , conferences with individual students to assist with monitoring progress.
*Examples of assessments include pretests, quizzes, unit tests, checklists, rating scales, rubrics, and remediation and enrichment activities.							
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

DOMAIN III: INSTRUCTION

*Items 9 – 19 should reflect the teacher intern’s overall ability to effectively communicate with students and implement innovative lessons using a variety of teaching strategies that meet the needs of all students. Items should be assessed from written lesson and unit plans and classroom observations.

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	3	4	9. Uses standard written, oral, and nonverbal communication in instruction.	Does not use standard written, oral, and nonverbal communication in instruction.	Standard written, oral, and nonverbal communication is difficult to follow for students.	Uses standard written, oral, and nonverbal communication in instruction to engage students.	In addition to meets standard , enriches conversation with expressive language and vocabulary to engage students.
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	3	4	10. Provides explicit written and oral directions for instructional activities.	Does not provide explicit written and oral directions for instructional activities.	Provides written and oral directions for instructional activities that are not explicit.	Provides explicit written and oral directions for instructional activities.	In addition to meets standard , uses concrete examples to model and to clarify tasks and concepts.
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
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CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	2	2	11. Communicates positive expectations for learning for all students.	Does not communicate positive expectations for learning for all students.	Has difficulty communicating positive expectations for learning for all students.	Communicates positive expectations for learning for all students.	In addition to meets standard, encourages all students to set positive expectations for themselves and peers.

SCORES COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS

Formative Assessment Score:	Summative Assessment Score:
Formative Assessment Comments:	Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	3	7	12. Conveys enthusiasm for teaching and learning for all students.	Does not convey enthusiasm for teaching and learning for all students.	Has difficulty conveying enthusiasm for teaching and learning for all students.	Conveys enthusiasm for teaching and learning for all students.	In addition to meets standard, elicits enthusiasm from students.

SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS

Formative Assessment Score:	Summative Assessment Score:
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:	Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	3	5	13. Provides opportunities for all students to cooperate, communicate, and interact with each other to enhance learning.	Does not provide opportunities for all students to cooperate, communicate, and interact with each other to enhance learning.	Provides opportunities for all students to cooperate, communicate, and interact with each other but does not enhance learning.	Provides opportunities for the students to cooperate, communicate, and interact with each other to enhance learning.	In addition to meets standard, enhances the development of student leadership and provides opportunities for students to work cooperatively on projects/activities of their choice.

SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS

Formative Assessment Score:	Summative Assessment Score:
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence	Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
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R1.2	4	4	14. Demonstrates content knowledge and an understanding of how to teach the content.	Does not demonstrate content knowledge and how to teach the content.	Has difficulty demonstrating content and content pedagogical knowledge.	Demonstrates content knowledge and an understanding of how to teach the content.	In addition to meets standard, uses a variety of instructional methods to ensure an understanding of the content
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	ISTE	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	8	4	5, 6, 7	15. Uses a variety of appropriate teaching strategies, including technology, to impact student learning and development.*	Does not use a variety of appropriate teaching strategies, including technology, to impact student learning.	Has difficulty using a variety of appropriate teaching strategies, including technology, to impact student learning and development.	Uses a variety of appropriate teaching strategies, including technology, to impact student learning and development.	In addition to meets standard, uses a variety of appropriate student-centered teaching strategies to impact student learning and development.
*Examples include use of teaching strategies such as cooperative learning, discovery learning, demonstration, discussion, inquiry, simulation, etc.								
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS								
Formative Assessment Score:						Summative Assessment Score:		
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:						Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:		

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	1	2	16. Planned learning experiences are implemented that accommodate differences in developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group.*	Does not implement planned learning experiences that accommodate differences in developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group.	Implements learning experiences, but fails to accommodate the differences in developmental needs of each learner in the group.	Implements planned learning experiences that accommodate differences in developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group.	In addition to meets standard, cites research to support the planned learning experiences.
*Examples include students with disabilities or exceptionalities, students who are gifted, and students who represent diversity based on ethnicity, race, socioeconomic status, gender, language, religion, sexual identification, and/or geographic origin).							
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.2	5	4	17. Engages all students in critical thinking through higher-order questioning.*	Does not engage all students in critical thinking through higher-order questioning.	Relies on lower level questioning.	Engages all students in critical thinking through higher-order questioning.	In addition to meets standard, provides opportunities for students to apply concepts in problem-solving and critical thinking.
*Guiding questions need to be listed in lesson plans.							
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:					Summative Assessment Score:		
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:					Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:		

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	8	4	18. Adjusts instruction as needed based on student input, cues, and individual/group responses.	Does not adjust instruction as needed based on student input, cues, and individual/group responses.	Elicits student input during instruction and attempts are made to adjust instruction based on student responses.	Elicits student input and adjusts instruction as needed based on student input, cues, and individual/group responses.	In addition to meets standard, constructs appropriate prompts to encourage student responses that expand and justify their reasoning. Revises instruction based on student responses.
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:					Summative Assessment Score:		
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:					Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:		

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.4	10	9	19. Uses family and/or community resources in instruction to impact student learning and development.*	Does not use family and/or community resources in instruction to impact student learning and development.	Attempts to use family and/or community resources to impact instruction but meaningful connections are not made.	Uses family and/or community resources in instruction to impact student learning and development.	In addition to meets standard, designs and organizes instruction to foster ongoing communication and high expectations for learners.
*Examples include special guests, materials, extracurricular activities, etc							
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:					Summative Assessment Score:		
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:					Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:		

DOMAIN IV: LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

*Items 20 - 24 should reflect the teacher intern's ability to manage the classroom environment in a way that is conducive to learning. Items should be assessed from classroom observations.

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	3	5	20. Adjusts the classroom environment to enhance positive peer relationships, motivation, and learning.	Does not adjust the classroom environment to enhance positive peer relationships, motivation, and learning.	Has difficulty adjusting the classroom environment to enhance positive peer relationships, motivation, and learning.	Adjusts the classroom environment and delivers instruction to enhance positive peer relationships, motivation, and learning.	In addition to meets standard, encourages students to develop self-monitoring skills.
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	3	6	21. Attends to and delegates routine tasks.	Does not attend to and delegate routine tasks.	Attempts to attend to and delegate routine tasks but there is no consistency or established routine.	Attends to and delegates routine tasks.	In addition to meets standards, has a systematic routine for attending to and delegating tasks.
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	3	5	22. Uses multiple strategies to foster appropriate student behavior according to individual and situational needs.	Does not manage student behavior.	Has difficulty applying appropriate strategies in managing student behavior.	Uses multiple strategies to foster appropriate student behavior according to individual and situational needs.	In addition to meeting the standard, students self-monitor their behavior.
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:				Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:				Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.1	3	7	23. Creates a culturally inclusive environment that promotes fairness, safety, respect, and support for all students.	Does not create a culturally inclusive environment.	Has difficulty maintaining a culturally inclusive environment.	Creates and maintains a culturally inclusive environment that promotes fairness, safety, respect, and support for all students.	In addition to meets standard, cultural inclusivity is evident in student interactions.
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:					Summative Assessment Score:		
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:					Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:		
CAEP	InTASC	TGR	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.3	7	6	24. Maximizes instructional time.	Does not maximize instructional time.	Has difficulty maximizing instructional time.	Maximizes instructional time.	In addition to meets standard, transitions, routines and procedures are executed in an efficient manner with minimal teacher direction.
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS							
Formative Assessment Score:					Summative Assessment Score:		
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:					Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:		

DOMAIN V: PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

***Item 25 should reflect the teacher intern’s ability to collaborate with professional colleagues to involve parents and/or guardians in the student’s learning and development. Items should be assessed from written lesson and unit plans, classroom observations, and from other artifacts (inventories, surveys, and other documentation).**

CAEP	InTASC	TGR	ISTE	Indicators	Unacceptable (0)	Needs Improvement (1)	Meets Standard (2)	Exceeds Standard (3)
R1.4	10	9	4	25. Collaborates with professional colleagues (classroom mentor teacher and/or university supervisor) to communicate with families about student learning and development.	Does not collaborate with professional colleagues to communicate with families about student learning and development.	Has difficulty collaborating with professional colleagues to communicate with families about student learning and development.	Collaborates with professional colleagues to communicate with families about student learning and development.	In addition to meets standard, engages in ongoing professional learning opportunities with professional colleagues, and seeks advice/information from experienced educators.
*Examples include documented evidence such as PLCs, data meetings, newsletters, positive notes, extracurricular activities, professional development opportunities, conferences, etc.								
SCORES AND COMMENTS ON EFFECTIVENESS								
Formative Assessment Score:					Summative Assessment Score:			
Formative Assessment Comments/Evidence:					Summative Assessment Comments/Evidence:			

STATEWIDE IMPACT ON STUDENT LEARNING ASSIGNMENT

Purpose

The Impact on Student Learning assignment gives the teacher candidate the opportunity to:

- Determine the impact of instruction on all students' learning,
- Use assessments to make research-based informed decisions about instruction,
- Analyze and communicate students' performance results, and
- Reflect on teaching performance.

Overview of the Method – Impact on Student Learning

The teacher candidate will use the assigned internship placement class and/or a group of students to determine the impact of his/her teaching on student learning. The teacher candidate will use multiple assessments and teaching strategies aligned with learning objectives in a unit and/or group of lessons. After collecting data from multiple assessments, the teacher candidate will analyze the data to determine the impact on student learning.

Assessment Information

- Pre-assessments measure students' understanding and performance on a set of skills and objectives. Results from pre-assessments are used to inform, plan, and guide instruction.
- Formative assessments focus on students' understanding and performance of the skill(s) during instruction. Data from formative assessments influence instruction.
- Post-assessments (summative) evaluate students' understanding and performance of a set of skills or objectives at the conclusion of the unit and/or lessons. Post-assessments can include a variety of formats.

Unit/Lesson Plans

Prior to planning the unit and/or lessons, the teacher candidate will conduct at least one pre-assessment. After conducting the pre-assessment/s, the teacher candidate will record the pre-assessment/s data in a spreadsheet and analyze this data to inform the planning of the unit/or lessons.

Contextual Factors

The teacher candidate will collect contextual factors about students, the school, and the learning community. The teacher candidate will analyze the contextual factors to inform the unit and/or lesson planning.

Adjusting Instruction to Meet Student Needs

During instruction, administer multiple formative assessments and evaluate the data from these assessments to adapt instruction throughout the unit and/or lessons. Document how data from formative assessments were used to effectively plan, implement, and change instruction when necessary.

After implementing the unit and/or lessons, the teacher candidate will administer a post-assessment (summative) to determine the impact of instruction on student learning. The teacher candidate will record the post-assessment (summative) data in a spreadsheet and analyze the data to determine areas taught effectively, areas for improvement, and to determine if all students in the class were provided with equitable learning experiences.

The teacher candidate will analyze data from pre-assessments, formative assessments, and post- assessments (summative) to determine the impact on student learning for the unit and/or lessons.

Assignment Components

Contextual Factors

Purpose for Step 1:

Consider the learning environment and contextual factors that may have an impact on the teaching-learning process. Discuss characteristics about the school, classroom, and individual student needs that should be considered as instructional plans are developed. List accommodations/modifications that will be made to instructional planning and implementation based on contextual information of the assigned classroom.

Task:

Discuss the relevant contextual factors including community and school information, classroom information, student characteristics, and accommodations/modifications for planning, instruction, and assessment/s. Include any supports and challenges that impact instruction and student learning. Discuss any implications and accommodation/modifications needed for instruction based on contextual factors.

Prompt:

In the discussion on contextual factors, include the following:

1.1. Community and school information

- Discuss the community and school information:
 - geographic location
 - community/school population (diversity, race, ethnicity, culture, gender, etc.)
 - socio-economic status (SES; ex: free/reduced lunch, Title I school, etc.)
 - type of school (locale, grade levels, and any other pertinent characteristics)
- Consider additional areas for discussion, which could include but are not limited to stability of the community, political climate, community support for education, and other environmental factors.

1.2. Classroom information

- Discuss the classroom information:
 - physical features and arrangement of the classroom
 - availability of technology, equipment, and resources
 - extent of parental/guardian involvement
 - grouping practices (whole group, small group, pairs, etc.)
- Consider additional areas for discussion, which could include but are not limited to how groups were determined, classroom rules and routines, scheduling, and additional teachers/students that enter or leave the room on a regular basis.

1.3. Student characteristics – Related to the Students and Learning Environment

- Discuss the following required areas for student characteristics:
 - grade/age level
 - gender
 - race/ethnicity/culture
 - special needs
 - achievement/developmental/skill levels

- language (English, ESL, ELL)
- interests/learning differences, and any other pertinent information
- Consider additional areas for discussion, which could include but are not limited to background information and/or characteristics of specific students that should be considered when planning and implementing instruction.

1.4. Accommodations/Modifications for planning, instruction, and assessment/s

- Choose 3 or more of the contextual factors described above from 1.3 *Student Characteristics* and discuss how these factors influenced planning instruction, implementation of instruction, and assessment/s.
- Describe, based on those contextual factors, what accommodations/modifications for planning, instruction, and/or assessment were made.
- Provide a chart/table to illustrate the relationship between contextual factors (3 or more) and accommodations/modifications for planning, instruction, and assessment/s. Include a thorough description of each accommodation/modification in the chart. An example is provided below.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to how the accommodations/modifications improved learning for individual students.

Contextual Factor Individual Student Characteristics	Accommodations/Modifications Made to Instruction and/or Assessment

Learning Goals and Objectives for Unit and/or Group of Lessons

Purpose for Step 2:

Plan appropriate and challenging learning purposes/goals and develop measurable and observable objectives for the unit of study or group of lessons. Consider different levels of Bloom’s Taxonomy and Depth of Knowledge (DOK) when planning measurable objectives.

Task:

Using the Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards (MCCRS), establish a topic for the unit or group of lessons and an overall learning purpose/goal. Once the unit or group of lessons learning purpose/goal is established, determine daily learning purposes/goals for each day in the unit or group of lessons.

Note: Develop measurable and observable objectives for each day. Ensure that all objectives are measurable, student-oriented, developmentally appropriate, and written in clear and understandable terms. Daily objectives should be written at different levels of Bloom’s Taxonomy/DOK. Example: A unit or lessons should not have daily objectives all written on the Knowledge level of Bloom’s Taxonomy or DOK 1. Vary the levels of Bloom’s Taxonomy/DOK used in the unit or lessons to challenge students on different levels.

Prompt:

In your discussion, include the following:

2.1. MCCRS chosen standard(s) and unit or group of lessons topic

- List the chosen standard(s) from the MCCRS content area of study.

- List the topic for the unit or group of lessons. If the unit or group of lessons addresses only part of the MCCRS standard(s), explain what part of the standard(s) is to be addressed and the rationale for addressing only part of the standard(s) in the unit topic.
- Consider using a chart/table for Step 2. *An example is provided after section 2.4.*

2.2. Learning purposes/goals

- Describe the unit or group of lesson plans purposes/goals and how it relates to the MCCRS standard/s.
- Justify your reasoning for choosing the overall unit or group of lesson plans purpose/goal.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to how the overall learning goal supports previous goals and/or will support future learning goals.

2.3. Appropriateness of objectives

- Describe how objectives are aligned with MCCRS and connect to and help students make sense of the real world.
- Discuss why the objectives are appropriate in terms of the students’ development, pre-requisite knowledge, skills, experiences, and other needs of students as indicated in the Contextual Factors.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to the use of instructional strategies to promote learning through the students’ cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical developments.

For Step 2 of the Assignment for Impact on Student Learning, provide a chart/table to illustrate the relationship between each daily objective and Bloom’s Taxonomy Level/DOK. You may choose to use a table such as the one below for this step of the assignment.

Unit or Lesson Plans Overview

Grade and Subject Area			
MCCRS Standard			
Unit or Lesson Topic			
Unit or Group of Lessons Purpose/Goal			
Day	Objective/s	Bloom’s/DOK Level	Assessment (Will be completed in Step 3)
1			
2			
3			

Assessment

Purpose for Step 3:

Plan assessments that align with the chosen MCCRS standard, unit or group of lessons, and daily objectives that will be used to monitor student progress toward the purposes/goals and objectives.

Task:

Design an assessment plan to monitor student progress toward mastering objectives. Plan a pre-assessment, a variety of formative assessments, and a post-assessment (summative). Discuss how students' progress was monitored and how assessment results were communicated to students.

Prompt:

In your discussion, include the following:

- **3.1. Assessment plan overview**
 - Provide an overview of the assessment plan. The purpose of this overview is to depict the alignment between purposes/goals, objectives, and assessments to meet the individual needs of students based on contextual factors as identified in Step 1.
 - Provide a chart/table to illustrate the relationship between each purpose/goal, daily objective, and daily assessment. You may continue the table that you used for Step 2 of assignment (example below).

Assessment Plan Overview

	Objective	Bloom's /DOK Level	Assessment	Accommodations/Modifications (if needed)
Pre-assessment				
Formative Assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • • • • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • • • • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • • • • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • • • •
Post-assessment (Summative)				

- Vary assessments by type. Instead of giving a quiz or the same type of assessment every day, use a variety of assessments.
- Make sure each daily assessment assesses the objective for that day. Example: If your daily objective asks students to list and describe each stage of the water cycle, then your assessment should be something that requires them to do exactly that.

- Describe the need for the accommodations/modifications based on individual needs of students based on contextual factors, for each accommodation/modification to an assessment listed. If no accommodation/modification is necessary for an assignment, state that.
- Include accommodations/modifications that may be made to the pre- and post-assessments (summative) to meet the needs of individual students based on the contextual factors.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to alignment to objectives and includes a rationale for each accommodation/modification based on individual needs of students or contextual factors.

Example: The following daily assessment **DOES** assess the daily objective.

Daily Purpose	Daily Objective	Daily Assessment
Physical characteristics of cats	The student will (TSW) compare and contrast physical characteristics of 2 different species of cats.	Create a Venn diagram of 2 different species of cats from around the world comparing and contrasting physical attributes. (Graded for accuracy)

Example: The following daily assessment **DOES NOT** assess the daily objective.

Daily Purpose	Daily Objective	Daily Assessment
Physical characteristics of cats	TSW compare and contrast physical characteristics of 2 different species of cats.	Draw a picture of one species of cat and include in your picture physical features for that species of cat.

- **3.2. Pre-assessment and post-assessment (summative assessment)**
 - Include copies of the pre-assessment and post-assessment (summative) and scoring guides (example: scoring rubric, answer key, etc.). Include any prompts, and/or student directions that may be needed.
 - Provide descriptions of the pre- and post-assessments (summative), how they are aligned with daily objectives, and when they will be administered.
 - Establish criteria that will be used to determine mastery for pre- and post-assessments (summative) that indicate high expectations (example: mastery = 75% or higher on the assessment).
 - Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to describing how the assessments provided information to the TC about student performance.
- **3.3. Daily assessments (formative assessments)**
 - Include evidence of the daily assessments (formative assessments) that will be used each day (examples: quizzes, journal prompts, exit tickets, observation checklists, etc.) and scoring guides (answer key, checklist, rubric, etc.).
 - Use multiple methods of assessments by type (example: Avoid using a journal prompt each day.).
 - Describe how student progress using daily assessments will be tracked during the unit.
 - Explain the reasoning for selecting the daily assessments that will be used during the unit or lessons.

- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to describing how specific assessments address individual differences.

3.4. Assessment data

- Create a student assessment data table for tracking individual student progress on the pre-assessment, all formative (daily) assessments, and the post-assessment (summative) in an organized and easy to read format.
- Establish criteria for determining mastery or non-mastery on the assessment for each assessment in your data table. (Example: mastery = 75% or higher on the assessment). Describe this after your table.
- Ensure that each daily assessment reflects mastery or non-mastery of the daily objective and is recorded on the table. An example of a table is provided below, but your data might be presented in a different format.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to how students will be given opportunities to review and communicate about their own progress and learning.

The type of data you collect will determine the best format for presenting it.

Example of a Student Assessment Data Table

Student Names	Pre-Assessment		Informal Assessment #1 (Day 1 Objective)		Informal Assessment #2 (Day 2 Objective)		Informal Assessment #3 (Day 3 Objective)		Informal Assessment #4 (Day 4 Objective)		Informal Assessment #5 (Day 5 Objective)		Post-Assessment		Learning Gains from Pre-to Post-Assessment
	%	Mastery or Non-Mastery	%	Mastery or Non-Mastery	%	Mastery or Non-Mastery	%	Mastery or Non-Mastery	%	Mastery or Non-Mastery	%	Mastery or Non-Mastery	%	Mastery or Non-Mastery	
Student 1															
Student 2															
Class Percentages															

3.5 Communication of assessment results

- Discuss a plan for communicating individual assessment expectations to the students.
- Discuss a plan for communicating individual assessment results and feedback to students. Include how students will know they are progressing throughout the unit and upon completion of the unit.
- Describe a plan for encouraging students to monitor their own progression throughout the unit or lesson and take responsibility for their own learning.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to a variety of strategies for communicating feedback to all students.

Instructional Design

Purpose for Step 4:

Consider the contextual factors, characteristics of the classroom, individual students, and design appropriate instruction that utilizes research-based strategies and technology to help students master objectives for the unit of study.

Task:

Provide the instructional unit or group of lessons or an overview of the unit or group of lessons. Describe the pre-assessment results and implications based on the pre-assessment results. Describe instructional strategies that engage students in critical thinking, problem solving, and provide differentiated instruction to meet the needs of diverse students as outlined in Step 1 (contextual factors). Describe research-based strategies and technology that will be used throughout the lesson. Describe a plan for communicating individual student progress to parent/guardians.

Prompt:

In your discussion, include the following:

4.1. Accommodations/modifications to instruction based on pre-assessment data analysis

- Analyze student performance relative to the learning goals and objectives, after administering and evaluating the pre-assessment.
- Create a table to help analyze the data. In the table, record students' responses (correct or incorrect) or scores to individual questions on the pre-assessment or to groups of questions based on the objective assessed.
- Determine patterns in the data that will show implications for making accommodations/modifications to instruction once student responses are recorded.
- Describe any pattern found that will guide instruction. Examples of patterns that may be shown in the data may include:
 - Fewer than half of the students correctly answered a certain question or cluster of questions assessing a specific objective.
 - Most students correctly answered a question or cluster of questions assessing a specific objective.
 - A particular subgroup of students performed in a certain way (list it) that would require certain accommodations/modifications (remediation or enrichment).
- Consider including a research-based rationale for the accommodations /modifications.

4.2. Differentiation

- Describe at least one example from your unit or group of lessons plans where you developed a meaningful and authentic learning experience that includes differentiation. Describe how you differentiated the instruction to accommodate developmental and individual needs of each learner in the group.
- Ensure that the activity is learner-centered and provides differentiation to meet the specific needs of individual students as described in the contextual factors (e.g. ELL, inclusivism, cultural relevance, special needs. . .).
- Consider providing evidence of research-based strategies/procedures (citation for a source of a peer-reviewed journal article, textbook, etc.) that describes the instructional strategy used in the unit or group of lessons.

4.3. Technology – teacher candidate

- Describe how technology is used to facilitate and analyze student learning (learning management systems, interactive websites, virtual learning, videoconferencing, digital learning, interactive tutorials, mentoring, and collaboration including the use of social networks in instruction).
- Describe how the use of technology will facilitate higher level skills such as analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating and not just by playing games online.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to how multiple forms of current technology are used by the TC to research, learn, create, communicate, and track data.

4.4. Technology – student use

- Describe how students use technology for learning and understanding. Students should use technology to research, create, communicate, and present. Students should use technology to facilitate higher level skills such as analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating and not just by playing games online.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to how multiple forms of current technology are used by the students to research, learn, create, and communicate.

4.5. Plan for parent/guardian communication

- Describe the plan for disseminating general information about the unit or group of lessons and how specific information about individual student progress was provided to parents/guardians.(Include what information was provided to parents/guardians and how it was shared with them (i.e. technology, phone-app, paper copy).
- Provide copies of any parent/guardian communication (such as a newsletter) created for the unit or group of lessons.
- Consider providing examples of communication with parents and/or guardians that fosters a sense of trust that acknowledges their contributions to the students’ education.

Instructional Decision-Making

Purpose for Step 5:

Reflect on professional practices including differentiating instruction, modifying instruction, and communicating with students.

Task:

Describe how teaching strategies were modified during instruction based on student behavior, questions, responses, and/or performance. Describe how learning experiences were differentiated or modified based on formative assessment data analysis. Describe communication with students regarding their progress.

Prompt:

In your discussion, include the following:

5.1. Instructional modifications based on needs of students

- Describe and provide an example of how teaching and/or learning strategies were modified from the original plan to meet the needs of students based on student performance during instruction. (Examples: changing from groups of 4 to pairs, modifying an activity from the original lesson plan, deleting something from the lesson plan or adding something to the lesson plan, etc.)
- Justify your reasoning for making this accommodation/modification and give specific student behaviors, questions, and/or responses that prompted you to make the accommodation/modification.
- Describe how the accommodation/modification led students toward meeting objectives.
- Consider providing a research-based citation for accommodations/modifications.

5.2. Instructional differentiation or modifications based on formative assessments

- Describe how formative assessment data were analyzed.
- Provide at least one example of how assessment data analysis led to differentiate or modify a specific learning experience of a previously planned activity to accommodate differences in developmental and/or educational needs of students.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to multiple examples of research-based modifications of instruction to accommodate individual needs of students.

Analysis of Student Learning

Purpose for Step 6:

Use assessment results to analyze student learning.

Task:

Use assessment data to analyze student learning. Analyze student learning gains for the whole class, subgroups, and individual students. Provide evidence of impact on student learning and draw conclusions on overall student learning gains.

Prompt:

In your discussion, include the following:

- **6.1. Data Analysis -Student Assessment Data**

Record student scores/progress on all assessments using your student assessment data table created in Step 3. Calculate the percentage (out of 100) for each assessment (where applicable) AND calculate the percentage of mastery for the entire class. Describe the data results based on the following categories: whole class, subgroups (ex: gender, performance/ability level, language, age range, etc.), and individuals.

- **Whole Class** - Consider the following:
 - Analyze the degree to which mastery was attained by the entire class.
 - What did your analysis of the students' learning gains tell you about the degree of mastery of each objective?
 - What did the analysis of the learning gains tell you about the degree to which your overall purpose was achieved?
 - Discuss specific evidence from pre- and post-assessment (summative) data to support your response.
- **Subgroups** – Consider the following:
 - Select a group characteristic (ex: performance/ ability level, language, age-range, etc.). Provide a rationale for the selection of this characteristic.
 - Compare pre- and post-assessment (summative) results for the subgroup chosen.

Summarize what the data show about student learning gains and include specific evidence used to support your response.

- **Individual Students** – Consider the following:
 - Select two students who demonstrated different levels of performance and explain why it is important to understand and analyze the learning of these students.
 - Use pre-assessment, formative, and post-assessment (summative) data with examples of the student’s work to draw conclusions about the extent of these students’ learning gains.
- **Include samples of student work.** Copies of pre-assessments, formative assessments, and post-assessments (summative) should be included.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to reflections on how the overall learning experiences were monitored throughout the unit or group of lessons.

6.2. Evidence and interpretation of impact on student learning

- Describe evidence of impact on student learning gains in terms of numbers of students who achieved, made progress, or failed to master objectives using pre- and post-assessment (summative) data.
- Include evidence of specific instruction/activities during the unit that may have led to that impact on student learning gains noted in pre- and post-assessment data.
- Draw conclusions on overall student learning gains using all assessment data.
- Provide evidence that includes details and reasoning for conclusions drawn.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to multiple hypotheses for why students did or did not achieve mastery on the post-assessment.

Reflection

Purpose for Step 7:

Reflect on student success/levels of mastery. Discuss implications for future instructional design, teaching, and professional development.

Task:

Reflect on student learning and possible reasons for high or low success/levels of mastery. Discuss implications for future instructional design, teaching, and professional development you engaged in or plan to seek to engage in to improve your performance as a teacher.

Prompt:

In your discussion, include the following:

7.1. Reflection on high success/levels of mastery

- Select the objective(s) for which students were most successful. Provide two or more possible reasons for student success.
- Reflect on factors that might have had an impact on student learning (including the purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments along with student characteristics and other contextual factors) in your discussion.
- Discuss how planning and implementation of instruction could have led to student success.
- Consider next steps for progression/next steps for instructional design and teaching for the targeted students with high student success.

7.2. Reflection on low success/levels of mastery

- Select the objective(s) for which students were least successful. Provide two or more possible reasons for the lack of student success.

- Reflect on factors that might have had an impact on student learning (including the purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments along with student characteristics and other contextual factors) in your discussion.
- Consider additional areas of discussion, which could include but are not limited to research-based methods for planning and instructional strategies to continue to enhance student learning in the future to positively impact student learning.

7.3. Implications for future instructional design and teaching

- Provide ideas for redesigning purposes/goals, objectives, instruction, and/or assessments in future teaching, and provide a rationale explaining why these ideas for modifications would improve student learning.
- Include implications for redesigning the current unit or group of lessons and explain any implications that can be generalized to planning and teaching overall.
- Consider providing research-based evidence to support your claims.

7.4. Implications for professional development

- Describe at least two professional learning goals that emerged from your implementation and review of the unit or group of lessons.
- Identify two specific steps to meet these learning goals, including professional development, to improve your teaching, planning, and assessing in the area(s) identified.
- Consider identifying research based professional development to improve practice.

STATEWIDE IMPACT ON STUDENT LEARNING RUBRIC

Indicator	Unacceptable 0	Needs Improvement 1	Meets Standard 2	Exceeds Standard 3
Contextual Factors				
<p><u>1.1. Community and school information</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) discusses the following information about the community and school: Geographic location; Community/school population; Socio-economic status; and Type of school (locale, grade levels, and other pertinent characteristics).</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.1; INTASC 2; TGR 7</i></p>	<p>The TC does not discuss information for any of the areas about the community and school and/or the provided information is inaccurate.</p>	<p>The TC provides an incomplete or inaccurate description of characteristics of the community and school for any of the following areas: Geographic location; Community/school population; Socio-economic status; and Type of school (locale, grade levels, and other pertinent characteristics).</p>	<p>The TC provides an accurate and comprehensive description for each of the following: information about the community and school: Geographic location; Community/school population; Socio-economic status; and Type of school (locale, grade levels, and other pertinent characteristics).</p>	<p>The TC provides an accurate and comprehensive description for each of the following information about the community and school: Geographic location; Community/school population; Socio-economic status; and Type of school (locale, grade levels, and other pertinent characteristics).</p>

				<p><i>The TC also discusses the following: Stability of the community; Political climate; Community support for education; and Other factors in the environment that impact education.</i></p>
<p><u>1.2. Classroom Information</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes classroom factors including physical features, technology resources, parental/guardian involvement, and grouping practices (whole group, small group, pairs, etc.)</p> <p>CAEP R1.1,R1.3; INTASC 3; TGR 7</p>	<p>The TC describes inaccurate classroom factors related to the following: physical features, technology resources, parental/guardian involvement, and grouping practices (whole group, small group, pairs, etc.).</p>	<p>The TC provides an accurate but incomplete description of the following classroom factors or the TC provides a narrow scope of descriptions for the following classroom factors: physical features, technology resources, parental/guardian involvement, and grouping practices (whole group, small group, pairs, etc.).</p>	<p>The TC provides an accurate and comprehensive description for each of the following factors: physical features, technology resources, parental/guardian involvement, and grouping practices (whole group, small group, pairs, etc.).</p>	<p>The TC provides an accurate and comprehensive description for each of the following factors: physical features, technology resources, parental/guardian involvement, and grouping practices (whole group, small group, pairs, etc.).</p> <p><i>The TC also describes how groups were determined, classroom rules and routines, scheduling, and additional teachers/students that enter or leave the classroom on a regular basis.</i></p>

<p><u>1.3. Student Characteristics</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes each of the following student characteristics that impact students and the learning environment including grade/age level, gender, race/ethnicity/ culture, special needs, achievement levels, language, interests, and learning differences</p> <p>CAEP R1.1; INTASC 1.k, 2; TGR 2</p>	<p>The TC describes inaccurate or incomplete classroom and student characteristics that impact students and the learning environment including grade/age level, gender, race/ethnicity/ culture, special needs, achievement levels, language, interests, and learning differences.</p>	<p>The TC provides an accurate but incomplete description of the following student characteristics that impact students and the learning environment including grade/age level, gender, race/ethnicity/ culture, special needs, achievement levels, language, and interests, and learning differences.</p>	<p>The TC provides an accurate and comprehensive description for each of the student characteristics that impact students and the learning environment including grade/age level, gender, race/ethnicity/ culture, special needs, achievement levels, language, interests and learning differences.</p>	<p>The TC provides an accurate and comprehensive description for each of the student characteristics that impact students and the learning environment including grade/age level, gender, race/ethnicity/ culture, special needs, achievement levels, language, and interests, and learning differences.</p> <p><i>The TC also includes background information from parents/guardians and/or former teachers that is helpful in better understanding student characteristics.</i></p>
<p><u>1.4. Accommodations /Modifications for Planning, Instruction, and/or Assessment</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes his/her rationale for instructional planning to include how classroom and student characteristics influenced accommodations/modifications planning of instruction, implementation of instruction, and assessment/s. A chart is provided that identifies the student characteristics and accommodations/modifications.</p> <p>CAEP R1.1; INTASC 1; TGR 2</p>	<p>The TC does not provide a rationale for instructional planning based on classroom and student characteristics or does not discuss how these characteristics influenced accommodations /modifications planning of instruction, implementation of instruction, and assessment/s. A chart is not provided that</p>	<p>The TC provides an incomplete rationale for instructional planning that includes classroom and student characteristics and discusses how these characteristics influenced accommodations /modifications planning of instruction, implementation of instruction, and assessment/s. A chart is provided that identifies student characteristics and accommodations /modifications.</p>	<p>The TC provides a rationale for instructional planning and includes implications for each of the classroom and student characteristics and discusses how these characteristics influenced accommodations /modifications planning of instruction, implementation of instruction, and assessment/s. A chart is provided</p>	<p>The TC provides a thorough rationale for instructional planning and includes implications for each of the classroom and student characteristics and discusses how these characteristics influenced accommodations /modifications planning of instruction, implementation of instruction, and assessment/s. A</p>

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Learning Goals and Objectives for Unit and/or Group of Lessons

<p><u>2.1. & 2.2. MCCRS and Unit or Group of Lessons Topic and Learning Goals</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) identifies MCCRS/s that correlate with the unit or group of lessons topic and overall unit purposes/goals and describes and justifies the lesson plans learning purposes/goals.</p> <p><i>*MCCRS refers to the Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards</i></p> <p>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 7; TGR 1</p>	<p>The TC does not identify MCCRS/s that correlate with the unit or group of lessons topic and overall unit purposes/goals and does not describe the lesson plans learning purposes/goals</p>	<p>The TC identifies MCCRS/s that correlate with the unit or group of lessons topic and overall unit purposes/goals but does not describe the lesson plans learning purposes/goals.</p>	<p>The TC identifies MCCRS/s that correlate with the unit or group of lessons topic and overall unit purposes/goals and describes the lesson plans learning purposes/goals.</p>	<p>The TC identifies MCCRS/s that correlate with the unit or group of lessons topic and overall unit purposes/goals and describes the lesson plans learning purposes/goals.</p> <p><i>The TC also includes a chart/table that clarifies the standards and topics and describes how the overall learning goal supports previous goals and/or will support future learning goals.</i></p>
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<p><u>2.3. Appropriateness of Objectives</u></p> <p>Daily objectives, aligned with MCCRS, connect to the real world and are appropriate for the students' development, prerequisite knowledge, skills, experiences, and/or other needs of students as indicated in the Contextual Factors.</p>	<p>Daily learning goals and objectives are not aligned with MCCRS and do not reflect a connection to the real world or to the TC's research on community,</p>	<p>Daily learning goals and objectives, aligned with MCCRS, reflect a connection to the real world and the TC's research on community, school, and classroom factors but does not take into consideration knowledge of students' development, characteristics, experiences, skills, or prior learning.</p>	<p>Daily learning goals and objectives, aligned with MCCRS, reflect a connection to the real world and to the TC's research on factors including, but not limited to,</p>	<p>Daily learning goals and objectives, aligned with MCCRS, reflect a connection to the real world and to the TC's research on factors including, but not limited to,</p>
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<p>CAEP R1.1; INTASC 1; TGR 2</p>	<p>school, or classroom factors. The objectives do not consider students' development, characteristics, experiences, skills, or prior learning.</p>		<p>knowledge of student' development, characteristics, experiences, skills, and prior learning.</p>	<p>knowledge of students' development, characteristics, experiences, skills, and prior learning.</p> <p><i>The TC also discusses the use of instructional strategies to promote learning through the students' cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical developments.</i></p>
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Assessment Plan				
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<p><u>3.1. Assessment Plan Overview</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) provides an Assessment Plan Overview Table that includes varying daily assessments with Bloom's/DOK levels that match objectives and includes accommodations/modifications based on individual needs of student or contextual factors.</p> <p>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 6; TGR 3</p>	<p>The TC does not include an Assessment Plan Overview Table or assessments do not align with the daily objectives or accommodations / modifications are not included or are not based on individual student needs or contextual factors.</p>	<p>The TC provides an Assessment Plan Overview Table that is incomplete and does not include all daily assessments that match daily objectives AND/OR accommodations/modifications are not included based on individual student needs or contextual factors.</p>	<p>The TC provides an Assessment Plan Overview Table that includes varying daily assessments with Bloom's/DOK levels that match objectives and includes accommodations/modifications based on individual needs of student or contextual factors.</p>	<p>The TC provides an Assessment Plan Overview Table that includes varying daily assessments with Bloom's/DOK levels that match objectives and includes accommodations/modifications based on individual needs of student or contextual factors.</p> <p><i>The TC also discusses the alignment of assessments to objectives and includes a rationale for each modification based on individual needs of students or contextual factors.</i></p>
<p><u>3.2. Pre-Assessment and Summative Assessment</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) provides descriptions of the pre- and post-assessments, noting when assessments will</p>	<p>The TC does not describe how the pre-assessment and summative assessment are administered, or</p>	<p>The TC provides incomplete descriptions of how the pre-assessment and summative assessment are administered, how the assessments are aligned with daily objectives,</p>	<p>The TC describes how the pre-assessment and summative assessment are administered, how</p>	<p>The TC describes how the pre-assessment and summative assessment are administered and</p>

<p>be administered, and criteria used to establish mastery.</p> <p>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 6; TGR 3</p>	<p>how the assessments are aligned with daily objectives, or the criteria used to establish mastery, or the TC does not include copies of these assessments and scoring guides (rubrics, answer keys, etc.),</p>	<p>or the criteria used to establish mastery. Copies of the pre- and post-assessments and scoring guides (rubrics, answer keys, etc.) are included.</p>	<p>the assessments are aligned with daily objectives, and the criteria used to establish mastery. The TC includes copies of these assessments and scoring guides (rubrics, answer keys, etc.), descriptions of when assessments will be administered, and the criteria used to establish mastery.</p>	<p>the criteria used to establish mastery. The TC includes copies of these assessments and scoring guides (rubrics, answer keys, etc.), descriptions of when assessments will be administered, and the criteria used to establish mastery.</p> <p><i>The TC also describes how the assessments are constructed to both minimize bias and to ensure valid conclusions are drawn based on student performance on assessments.</i></p>
<p>3.3. Daily Assessments (Formative Assessments)</p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes the use of multiple methods and approaches for assessing student learning and provides a rationale for each assessment and an explanation of progress monitoring.</p> <p>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 6; TGR 3</p>	<p>The TC does not provide a description of the use of multiple methods and approaches for assessing student learning, the rationale for each assessment, or explanation of progress monitoring. Daily assessments are not included.</p>	<p>The TC provides an incomplete or inaccurate description of the use of multiple methods and approaches for assessing student learning, the rationale for each assessment, or explanation of progress monitoring. Copies of daily assessments (include scoring guides if applicable) are not all included or do not vary in type.</p>	<p>The TC describes the use of multiple methods and approaches for assessing student learning and provides a rationale for each assessment and an explanation of progress monitoring. Copies of all daily assessments (include scoring guides if applicable) are included.</p>	<p>The TC describes the use of multiple methods and approaches for assessing student learning and provides a rationale for each assessment and an explanation of progress monitoring. Copies of all daily assessments (include scoring guides if applicable) are included.</p> <p><i>The TC also describes how specific assessments address individual differences. (INTASC 6k)</i></p>
<p>3.4. Assessment Data</p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) provides an assessment data</p>	<p>The TC does not provide an assessment data</p>	<p>The TC provides an incomplete or unorganized assessment data table for</p>	<p>The TC provides an assessment data table that</p>	<p>The TC provides an assessment data table that</p>

<p>table that documents individual performance on all assessments. Mastery criteria for each assessment is included for all students.</p> <p>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 6; TGR 3</p>	<p>table for keeping track of student performance on all assessments.</p>	<p>keeping track of student performance on all assessments.</p>	<p>documents individual student's performance on all assessments. Mastery criteria for each assessment is included for all students.</p>	<p>documents individual student's performance on all assessments. Mastery criteria for each assessment is included for all students.</p> <p><i>The TC also discusses how students will be given opportunities to review and communicate about their own progress and learning. (INTASC 6q)</i></p>
<p><u>3.5. Communication of Assessment Results</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes a plan for communicating assessment expectations, results, and descriptive feedback that is timely and effective to all students. The plan submitted includes a method for learners to monitor their own progression through the unit.</p> <p>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 6; TGR 3</p>	<p>The TC does not provide a plan for communicating assessment expectations, results, or feedback.</p>	<p>The TC provides a plan for communicating assessment expectations, results, and feedback to all students, but the plan lacks a method for students to monitor their own progression through the unit.</p>	<p>The TC describes a plan for communicating assessment expectations, results, and descriptive feedback that is timely and effective to all students. The plan submitted includes a method for students to monitor their own progression through the unit.</p>	<p>The TC describes a plan for communicating assessment expectations, results, and descriptive feedback that is timely and effective to all students. The plan submitted includes a method for students to monitor their own progression through the unit.</p> <p><i>The TC also includes a variety of strategies for communicating feedback to all students.</i></p>
<p>Instructional Design</p>				
<p><u>4.1. Accommodations/modifications to Instruction Based on Pre-Assessment Data Analysis</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) analyzes pre-assessment data to determine accommodations</p>	<p>The TC does not analyze pre-assessment data or use the results to identify patterns of student performance</p>	<p>The TC analyzes pre-assessment data and uses the results to identify patterns of student performance relative to learning goals and objectives but does not describe instructional modifications for the whole</p>	<p>The TC analyzes pre-assessment data and uses the results to identify patterns of student performance relative to learning goals and</p>	<p>The TC analyzes pre-assessment data and uses results to identify patterns of student performance relative to learning goals and</p>

<p>/modifications to instruction with descriptions of the accommodations/modifications for the whole group, subgroups of students, or for individual students.</p> <p>CAEP R1.1, R1.3; INTASC 7; TGR 2</p>	<p>relative to learning goals and objectives and does not describe instructional modifications for the whole group, subgroups of students, or for individual students</p>	<p>group, subgroups of students, or for individual students.</p>	<p>objectives and describes instructional modifications for the whole group, subgroups of students, or for individual students.</p>	<p>objectives and describes instructional modifications for the whole group, subgroups of students, or for individual students.</p> <p><i>The TC also provides a research-based rationale for the instructional accommodations/modifications for whole group, for subgroups, and individual students.</i></p>
<p>4.2. Differentiation</p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) provides evidence of research-based strategies or procedures to differentiate learning for all students.</p> <p>CAEP R1.1; INTASC 2; TGR 4</p>	<p>The TC does not include differentiation of instruction for different levels of learners or learning differences based on contextual factors.</p>	<p>The TC provides a description of an instructional strategy utilizing differentiation based on students' skill levels, learning differences, multiple intelligences, but does not reference specific individual student characteristics as described in the contextual factors section.</p>	<p>The TC provides a description of an instructional strategy utilizing differentiation based on students' skill levels, learning differences, multiple intelligences, and references specific individual student characteristics as described in the contextual factors' sections.</p>	<p>The TC provides a description of multiple instructional strategies utilizing differentiation based on students' skill levels, learning differences, multiple intelligences, and references specific individual student characteristics as described in the contextual factors' sections.</p> <p><i>The TC also provides evidence that the instructional strategies are research-based.</i></p>

<p>4.3. Technology – Teacher Candidate</p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes how technology is used to facilitate, create, track, analyze, and communicate student learning (learning management systems, interactive websites,</p>	<p>The TC did not use technology in the lesson plans to facilitate, create, track, analyze, and communicate student learning. The TC does not describe how the use</p>	<p>The TC describes how technology and learning management systems are used to facilitate, create, track, analyze, and communicate student learning but does not</p>	<p>The TC describes how technology and learning management systems are used to facilitate, create, track, analyze, and communicate student learning.</p>	<p>The TC describes how technology and learning management systems are used to facilitate, create, track, analyze, and communicate student learning.</p>
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<p>virtual learning, videoconferencing, digital learning, interactive tutorials, collaboration including the use of social networks in instruction, etc.). The TC describes how the use of technology will facilitate higher level skills such as analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating.</p> <p>CAEP R1.3, 2.3; INTASC 8; TGR 6; ISTE 5, 6, 7</p>	<p>of technology will facilitate higher level skills such as analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating.</p>	<p>describe how the use of technology will facilitate higher level skills such as analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating.</p>	<p>The TC describes how the use of technology will facilitate higher level skills such as analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating.</p>	<p>The TC describes how the use of technology will facilitate higher level skills such as analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating.</p> <p><i>The TC also describes how multiple forms of current technology are used to research, learn, create, communicate, and track student learning.</i></p>
<p>4.4 Technology –Student Use</p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes how technology is used by students to research, create, communicate, and present. The TC explains how students used technology to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate.</p> <p>CAEP R1.3, R2.3; INTASC 8; TGR 6; ISTE 6</p>	<p>The TC does not describe how technology is used by students to research, create, communicate, and present and does not explain how students used technology to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate.</p>	<p>The TC describes how technology is used by students to research, create, communicate, and present but does not explain how students used technology to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate.</p>	<p>The TC describes how technology is used by students to research, create, communicate, and present.</p> <p>The TC explains how students used technology to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate.</p>	<p>The TC describes how technology is used by students to research, create, communicate, and present.</p> <p>The TC explains how students used technology to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate.</p> <p><i>The TC also describes how students used multiple forms of current technology to research, learn, create, communicate, and track student learning.</i></p>
<p>4.5. Plan for Parent/Guardian Communication</p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes the plan for communicating with parents/ guardians about unit/lesson information, explains how individual student progress was shared with parents/guardians, and provides evidence of parent/guardian communication.</p> <p>CAEP R1.1; INTASC 10; TGR 9; ISTE 7</p>	<p>The TC describes an incomplete plan for disseminating unit information and explaining how individual student progress was shared with parents/guardians. The TC does not provide evidence of communication with parents or guardians.</p>	<p>The TC describes an incomplete plan for disseminating unit/lesson information or explaining how individual student progress was shared with parents/guardians but does provide evidence of some communication with parents/ or guardians.</p>	<p>The TC describes the plan for disseminating unit/lesson information, explains how individual student progress was shared with parents/guardians, and provides evidence of parent/guardian communication.</p>	<p>The TC describes a plan for disseminating unit/lesson information and communicating student progress to parents and/or guardians. The TC provides multiple pieces of evidence of consistent communication with parents or guardians.</p> <p><i>The TC also provides examples of communication with parents and/or guardians that fosters</i></p>

				<i>a sense of trust that acknowledges their contributions to their students' education.</i>
Instructional Decision-Making				
<p><u>5.1. Instructional Modifications Based on Needs of Students</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes and provides specific examples of student behaviors, questions, and/or responses that justifies the instructional modification/s.</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.1, R1.3; INTASC 2; TGR 2</i></p>	<p>The TC does not describe modifications to instruction that are congruent with learning objectives or does not provide a complete rationale for those modifications based on student performance; or the TC does not provide a description of how the modification led students toward meeting objectives.</p>	<p>The TC describes modifications to instruction that are congruent with learning objectives but does not provide a complete rationale for those modifications based on student performance. The TC provides an incomplete description of how the modification led students toward meeting objectives.</p>	<p>The TC describes modifications to instruction that are congruent with learning objectives and provides a rationale of how those modifications are based on student performance during instruction. The TC provides a description of how the modifications assisted students with meeting the objectives.</p>	<p>The TC describes modifications to instruction that are congruent with learning objectives and provides a rationale of how those modifications are based on student performance. The TC provides a description of how the modifications led students toward meeting objectives.</p> <p><i>The TC also provides a research-based citation for modifications.</i></p>
<p><u>5.2. Instructional Differentiation or Modifications Based on Formative Assessments</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) describes how formative assessment data are analyzed and used to make modifications to differentiate instruction to accommodate differences in developmental and/or educational needs of students.</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 6; TGR 3</i></p>	<p>The TC does not describe the use of formative assessment data or does not include examples of data-based modifications to instruction.</p>	<p>The TC gives an incomplete description of the use of formative assessment data and includes an example of modifications to instruction to accommodate individual differences in developmental and/or educational needs of students but does not cite student data as the basis for the modification.</p>	<p>The TC describes how formative assessment data are analyzed and used to make modifications to differentiate instruction to accommodate differences in developmental and/or educational needs of students.</p>	<p>The TC describes how formative assessment data are analyzed and used to make modifications to differentiate instruction to accommodate differences in developmental and/or educational needs of students.</p> <p><i>The TC also includes multiple examples of research-based modifications of instruction to accommodate individual needs of students.</i></p>
Analysis of Student Learning				
<p><u>6.1. Data Analysis</u></p>	<p>The TC does not provide analyses for</p>	<p>The TC provides an incomplete analysis.</p>	<p>The TC analyzes student data from the</p>	<p>The TC analyzes student data from the</p>

<p>The teacher candidate (TC) analyzes student data from the assessment data table and provides an analysis of the data as to mastery attained for the whole class, group characteristic of subgroups with a rationale for the selection of this characteristic, and at least two students who demonstrated different levels of performance with samples of student work.</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 6; TGR 3</i></p>	<p>either whole class, subgroups, or individuals. Student work samples from each category are missing.</p>	<p>The TC provides analyses for either whole class, subgroups, or individuals. Student work samples from each category are provided.</p>	<p>assessment data table and provides an analysis of the data as to mastery attained for the whole class, group characteristic of subgroups with a rationale for the selection of this characteristic, and two students who demonstrated different levels of performance with samples of student work.</p>	<p>assessment data table and provides an analysis of the data as to mastery attained for the whole class, group characteristic of subgroups with a rationale for the selection of this characteristic, and two students who demonstrated different levels of performance with samples of student work.</p> <p><i>The TC also reflects on how the overall learning experiences were monitored throughout the unit or group of lessons.</i></p>
<p><u>6.2. Evidence and Interpretation of Impact on Student Learning</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) uses pre- and post-assessment data to describe and draw conclusions about the impact on student learning including student learning gains in terms of numbers of students who achieved, made progress, or failed to master objectives.</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.3; INTASC 6; TGR 3</i></p>	<p>The TC does not use pre- and post-assessment data to describe and draw conclusions about the impact on student learning including student learning gains in terms of numbers of students who achieved, made progress, or failed to master objectives</p>	<p>The TC uses pre- and post-assessment data to describe impact on student learning including student learning gains in terms of numbers of students who achieved, made progress, or failed to master objectives but does not draw conclusions about the impact on student learning.</p>	<p>The TC uses pre- and post-assessment data to describe and draw conclusions about the impact on student learning including student learning gains in terms of numbers of students who achieved, made progress, or failed to master objectives.</p>	<p>The TC uses pre- and post-assessment data to describe and draw conclusions about the impact on student learning including student learning gains in terms of numbers of students who achieved, made progress, or failed to master objectives.</p> <p><i>The TC also provides multiple hypotheses for why students did or did not achieve mastery on the post-assessment.</i></p>
<p>Reflection</p>				
<p><u>7.1. Reflection on High Success/ Levels of Mastery</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) selects objective/s for which students were most successful and discusses factors including the purpose/s, objectives, instruction, assessments, student characteristics, and other contextual factors during the planning and</p>	<p>The TC selects objective/s for which students were most successful but does not discuss factors that might have successfully impacted student learning (including purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments along</p>	<p>The TC selects objective/s for which students were most successful and provides limited discussion of the factors that might have successfully impacted student learning (including purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments along</p>	<p>The TC selects objective/s for which students were most successful and provides a thorough discussion on the factors that might have successfully impacted student learning (including purposes, objectives, instruction, and</p>	<p>The TC selects objective/s for which students were most successful and provides a thorough discussion on the factors that might have successfully impacted student learning (including purposes, objectives, instruction, and</p>

<p>implementation that might have successfully impacted student learning.</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.4; INTASC 9; TGR 8</i></p>	<p>with student characteristics and other contextual factors).</p>	<p>with student characteristics and other contextual factors).</p>	<p>assessments along with student characteristics and other contextual factors).</p>	<p>assessments along with student characteristics and other contextual factors).</p> <p><i>The TC also includes the progression/next steps for instructional design and teaching for the targeted students with high student success.</i></p>
<p><u>7.2. Reflection on Low Success/ Levels of Mastery</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) selects objective/s for which students were the least successful and discusses factors that might have had an impact on student learning.</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.4; INTASC 9; TGR 8</i></p>	<p>The TC selects objective/s for which students were the least successful but does not provide a discussion of factors that might have had an impact on student learning (including the purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments along with student characteristics and other contextual factors).</p>	<p>The TC selects objective/s for which students were the least successful and provides a limited discussion of factors that might have had an impact on student learning (including the purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments along with student characteristics and other contextual factors).</p>	<p>The TC selects objective/s for which students were the least successful and provides a thorough discussion on the factors that might have had an impact on student learning (including the purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments along with student characteristics and other contextual factors).</p>	<p>The TC selects objective/s for which students were the least successful and provides a thorough discussion on the factors that might have had an impact on student learning (including the purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments along with student characteristics and other contextual factors).</p> <p><i>The TC also includes research-based methods for planning or instructional strategies that could be utilized in future to positively impact student learning.</i></p>
<p><u>7.3. Implications for Future Instructional Design and Teaching</u></p> <p>The teacher candidate (TC) discusses ideas for redesigning learning goals, objectives, instruction, and/or assessments in future teaching AND provides a rationale explaining why the modifications will improve student learning.</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.4; INTASC 9; TGR 8</i></p>	<p>The TC does not discuss ideas for redesigning purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments in future teaching.</p>	<p>The TC discusses ideas for redesigning purposes, objectives, instruction, and assessments in future teaching BUT they are inappropriate or there is no rationale provided explaining why these modifications would improve student learning.</p>	<p>The TC discusses ideas for redesigning learning goals, objectives, instruction, and/or assessments in future teaching AND provides a rationale explaining why the modifications will improve student learning.</p>	<p>The TC discusses ideas for redesigning learning goals, objectives, instruction, and/or assessments in future teaching AND provides a rationale explaining why the modifications will improve student learning.</p> <p><i>The TC also provides research-based evidence that supports these ideas.</i></p>
<p><u>7.4. Implications for Professional Development</u></p>				<p>TheTC discusses two</p>

<p>The teacher candidate (TC) discusses two professional learning goals that emerged from the implementation and review of the unit/group of lessons and identified specific steps including professional development to improve teaching and planning in these areas.</p> <p><i>CAEP R1.4; INTASC 9; TGR 8</i></p>	<p>The TC does not discuss professional learning goals or ideas for professional development to improve teaching.</p>	<p>The TC discusses one professional learning goal to improve teaching that emerged from insights learned from teaching the unit.</p>	<p>The TC discusses two professional learning goals that emerged from the implementation and review of the unit/group of lessons and identified specific steps including professional development to improve teaching and planning in these areas.</p>	<p>professional learning goals that emerged from the implementation and review of the unit/group of lessons and identified specific steps including professional development to improve teaching and planning in these areas.</p> <p><i>The TC also identifies research based professional development to improve practice.</i></p>
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**DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
PROFESSIONAL DISPOSITIONS RATING SCALE**

Student Name _____
 Rater _____ Date _____

Circle One Program: Art Elementary English Mathematics Music P. E. Science Social Science

Directions: Use the appraisal scale to rate each of the indicators under the three domains. There are seven indicators in all.

Appraisal Scale:
 0 – Unacceptable 1 – Needs Improvement
 2 – Meets Standard 3 – Exceeds Standard

PROFESSIONAL DISPOSITIONS

Purpose: To ensure the adherence to the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics (MCoE), university, and district policies which support the habits of professional action and ethical commitments that underlie an educator’s performance (attitude and behavior)

Administration: This instrument is administered at least three times: Domains I and II during pre-candidacy by instructor, and Domains I, II, and III during candidacy by clinical educators (EPP- and/or P-12-school-based one formative and one summative)

Success Indicator: Items rated at the “Meets Standard” level represent successful teaching practice by the candidate. Anything below “Meets Standard” can be seen as an area in need of improvement.

DOMAIN I. PROFESSIONALISM & ACADEMIC INTEGRITY DISPOSITIONS

	Unacceptable 0	Needs Improvement 1	Meets Standard 2	Exceeds Standard 3
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1. The teacher candidate protects confidential information concerning students and/or colleagues unless the law requires disclosure. (MCoE 9)	The teacher candidate reveals confidential information concerning students and/or colleagues.	The teacher candidate unknowingly reveals confidential information concerning students and/or colleagues.	The teacher candidate protects confidential information concerning students and/or colleagues unless the law requires disclosure.	The teacher candidate protects confidential information concerning colleagues and/or students unless the law requires disclosure and encourages others to do the same.
2. The teacher candidate demonstrates maturity and sound judgment in all interactions with peers, university and P-12 personnel, and parents. (MCoE 5)	The teacher candidate exercises unethical conduct with colleague(s).{This could include, but is not limited to revealing confidential information, making false statements about a colleague and/or the school system, discriminating against a colleague, using coercive means, and promising of special treatment in order to influence professional decisions of colleagues. }	The teacher candidate lacks maturity and/or sound judgment that results in one or more interactions with colleagues.	The teacher candidate demonstrates maturity and sound judgment in all interactions with peers, university and P-12 personnel, and parents.	The teacher candidate demonstrates maturity and sound judgment in all interactions with colleagues and works to build consensus in the workplace.
3. The teacher candidate follows all university and P-12 school policies including but not limited to policies for alcohol, drug, tobacco, and social media use. (MCoE 6)	The teacher candidate fails to follow all university and P-12 school policies. This could include being found possessing or under the influence of alcohol, drugs, and/or tobacco while in any professional setting.	The teacher candidate lacks an understanding of all university and P-12 school policies including but not limited to policies for alcohol, drug, tobacco and social media use.	The teacher candidate follows all university and P-12 school policies including but not limited to policies for alcohol, drug, tobacco, and social media use.	The teacher candidate follows all university and P-12 school policies including but not limited to policies for alcohol, drug, tobacco, and social media use, and uses teachable moments or planned instruction to reinforce school policy.

DOMAIN II. CHARACTER DISPOSITIONS

	Unacceptable 0	Needs Improvement 1	Meets Standard 2	Exceeds Standard 3
4. The teacher candidate exemplifies honesty and integrity (honesty, tact, and fairness) with all stakeholders during his/her time in the program. (MCoE 2)	The teacher candidate does not exemplify honesty and integrity with all stakeholders during his/her time in the program and/or knowingly engages in deceptive practices regarding official policies and procedures.	The teacher candidate demonstrates an effort toward honesty and integrity with all stakeholders during his/her time in the program.	The teacher candidate exemplifies honesty and integrity with all stakeholders during his/her time in the program.	The teacher candidate exemplifies honesty and integrity with all stakeholders and encourages students to also act with honesty and integrity.

5. The teacher candidate accepts constructive criticism in a positive manner. (MCoE 1)	The teacher candidate is non-receptive and/or rejects constructive criticism.	The teacher candidate listens to constructive criticism, but disagrees with various comments, feedback, suggestions, and recommendations.	The teacher candidate accepts constructive criticism in a positive manner.	The teacher candidate accepts constructive criticism in a positive manner and also self-reflects and participates in professional development activities to promote personal professional growth.
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DOMAIN III. CLINICAL/FIELD EXPERIENCES DISPOSITIONS

	Unacceptable 0	Needs Improvement 1	Meets Standard 2	Exceeds Standard 3
6. The teacher candidate provides fair and equitable opportunities for all P-12 students in a non-discriminatory manner. (MCoE 4)	The teacher candidate shows bias against certain students or groups of students based on race, gender, national origin, religion, or disability.	The teacher candidate plans one-size-fits-all instruction and makes little or no attempt to learn about students' prior knowledge, learning preferences, or interests and needs.	The teacher candidate provides fair and equitable opportunities for all P-12 students in a non-discriminatory manner.	The teacher candidate provides fair and equitable opportunities for all P-12 students in a non-discriminatory manner by nurturing the intellectual, physical, emotional, social, and civic potential of all students.
7. The teacher candidate maintains a professional relationship with all students both inside and outside professional settings. (MCoE 4)	The teacher candidate exercises poor judgment when dealing with student(s). Inappropriate actions and/or body language, speech, and/or electronic communications result in a student being unsafe, endangered, threatened, or harassed.	The teacher candidate exhibits inappropriate speech, electronic communication, and/or actions that result/may result in a student feeling unsafe, endangered, threatened, or harassed.	The teacher candidate maintains a professional relationship with all students both inside and outside professional settings.	The teacher candidate models professionalism in all interactions with students and encourages students at every opportunity to treat each other with respect.

My signature below indicates that the dispositions assessment system was explained to me by the faculty and that I received a copy for my reference. I understand that I must exhibit these dispositions consistently throughout the program in order to be recommended as having satisfactorily met all the requirements of my program.

Candidate's signature _____

Date _____

Protocol for Dispositions

1. Candidates will be introduced to the *Dispositions Rating Scale* during CEL/CUR 611, *Classroom Management*. During this course, candidates will self-assess using the scale, with focused observations and assignments related to field experiences serving as a frame of reference. The instructor will also evaluate the candidate using the scale and will review both assessments, followed by a conference with the candidate to review the assessments and discuss strengths/weaknesses/discrepancies in perspectives.
2. The Dispositions Rating Scale will be reviewed each semester at mandatory informational meetings.
3. A flag form will be placed in each candidate's folder for documenting both deficiencies and exemplary practices/dispositions.

4. Dispositions will be taught and reinforced throughout all courses in the program. Faculty who note a deficiency or deficiencies or evidence of strengths in a candidate relevant to a disposition area(s) will enter this information on the appropriate flag form, providing details related to the reason for the concern or commendation.
5. Faculty will hold conferences with students regarding the development of dispositions as candidates move through their programs.
6. Advisors will review advisees' flag forms and note concerns that need to be brought before the faculty prior to assessment points.
7. Upon request for admission to teacher education, and again upon request for admission to student internship, faculty will meet to review each candidate's progress with respect to the development of appropriate dispositions for teaching. The faculty will consult flag forms and entertain faculty concerns at these times.
8. Based upon the number and severity of disposition weaknesses/deficiencies, faculty will refer the candidate to the advisor for counseling or to a faculty committee for counseling.
9. The faculty members and candidate will establish a written plan for improvement that will become part of the candidate's file. The plan will specify how and when the improvement will occur.
10. If the deficiency(ies) persist(s), the faculty will meet to consider whether the candidate should continue in the program.
11. The Dispositions Rating Scale will be reviewed during the first on-campus seminar during internship. The interns will receive a copy of it and will sign a form stating they will maintain the dispositions during their internship.
12. The form will also be used by the university supervisor during the directed teaching semester. The supervisor will submit the forms to the Office of Clinical Experiences, Licensure, and Accountability for inclusion in the candidate's file. The university supervisor will consult with the Director of Office of Clinical Experiences, Licensure, and Accountability and faculty should a deficiency(ies) threaten the successful completion of the internship.

Delta State University
College of Education and Human Sciences
Disposition Flag – Deficiency (Red)/Warning (Yellow) (circle one)

Directions: In the space provided, please write an explanation of the issues as it relates to the disposition checklist and the action taken, with name of person reporting and date. Please note that students should be aware of any notes being made to their file related to the dispositions they evidence in relation to the COEHS programs.

Name of Candidate: _____

Program: _____

Protocol Followed: Conference with Student Written Plan for Improvement

Date Protocol Followed: _____

Issue Related to Disposition(s)	Action Taken	Signature of Faculty Member/Date
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Delta State University
College of Education and Human Sciences
Disposition Flag – Exemplary (Green)

Directions: In the space provided, please write an explanation of the issues as it relates to the disposition checklist and the action taken, with name of person reporting and date. Please note that students should be aware of any notes being made to their file related to the dispositions they evidence in relation to the COEHS programs.

Name of Candidate: _____

Program: _____

Issue Related to Exemplary Disposition(s)	Action Taken	Signature of Faculty Member/Date

Delta State University
College of Education and Human Sciences
Protocol for the MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct

1. Candidates will be introduced to the MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct during CEL/CUR 611, *Classroom Management*. During this course, candidates will sign a form stating that they understand the MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct and promise to abide by it throughout the Teacher Education Program which includes all field experiences.
2. At any point in the program, a flag form (red for deficiency, or yellow for warning) can be placed in a candidate’s folder for documenting deficiencies relating to the MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct.
3. Advisors will review advisees’ flag forms and note concerns that need to be brought before the faculty prior to assessment/transition points.

4. Based upon the number and severity of weaknesses/deficiencies relating to the MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct, faculty will refer the candidate to the advisor for counseling or to a faculty committee for counseling.
5. Faculty members and candidate will establish a written plan for improvement that will become part of the candidate's file. The plan will specify how and when the improvement will occur.
6. If the deficiency(ies) persist(s), faculty will meet to consider whether the candidate should continue in the program.

Delta State University
College of Education and Human Sciences
MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct Flag –
Deficiency (Red)/Warning (Yellow) (circle one)

Directions: In the space provided, please write an explanation of the issues as it relates to the MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct and the action taken, with name of person reporting and date. Please note that students should be aware of any notes being made to their file related to the standards they evidence in relation to the COEHS programs.

Name of Candidate: _____

Program: _____

Protocol Followed: Conference with Student Written Plan for Improvement

Date Protocol Followed: _____

Issue Related to MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct	Action Taken	Signature of Faculty Member/Date

DESCRIPTION TERM: **Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct**

ADOPTION DATE: April 17, 1998

CODE: 1717

REVISION: January 20, 2011

Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct

Each educator, upon entering the teaching profession, assumes a number of obligations, one of which is to adhere to a set of principles which defines professional conduct. These principles are reflected in the following code of ethics which sets forth to the education profession and the public it serves standards of professional conduct and procedures for implementation.

This code shall apply to all persons licensed according to the rules established by the Mississippi State Board of Education and protects the health, safety and general welfare of students and educators.

Ethical conduct is any conduct which promotes the health, safety, welfare, discipline and morals of students and colleagues.

Unethical conduct is any conduct that impairs the license holder's ability to function in his/her employment position or a pattern of behavior that is detrimental to the health, safety, welfare, discipline, or morals of students and colleagues.

Any educator or administrator license may be revoked or suspended for engaging in unethical conduct relating to an educator/student relationship (Standard 4).

Superintendents shall report to the Mississippi Department of Education license holders who engage in unethical conduct relating to an educator/student relationship (Standard 4).

Code of Ethics Standards

Standard 1: Professional Conduct

An educator should demonstrate conduct that follows generally recognized professional standards.

1.1. Ethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Encouraging and supporting colleagues in developing and maintaining high standards
2. Respecting fellow educators and participating in the development of a professional teaching environment
3. Engaging in a variety of individual and collaborative learning experiences essential to professional development designed to promote student learning
4. Providing professional education services in a nondiscriminatory manner
5. Maintaining competence regarding skills, knowledge, and dispositions relating to his/her organizational position, subject matter and pedagogical practices
6. Maintaining a professional relationship with parents of students and establish appropriate communication related to the welfare of their children.

1.2. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Harassment of colleagues
2. Misuse or mismanagement of tests or test materials
3. Inappropriate language on school grounds or any school-related activity
4. Physical altercations
5. Failure to provide appropriate supervision of students and reasonable disciplinary Actions

Standard 2. Trustworthiness

An educator should exemplify honesty and integrity in the course of professional practice and does not knowingly engage in deceptive practices regarding official policies of the school district or educational institution.

2.1. Ethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Properly representing facts concerning an educational matter in direct or indirect public expression
2. Advocating for fair and equitable opportunities for all children
3. Embodying for students the characteristics of honesty, diplomacy, tact, and fairness.

2.2. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following

1. Falsifying, misrepresenting, omitting, or erroneously reporting any of the following:

1. employment history, professional qualifications, criminal history, certification/recertification
2. information submitted to local, state, federal, and/or other governmental agencies
3. information regarding the evaluation of students and/or personnel
4. reasons for absences or leave
5. information submitted in the course of an official inquiry or investigation

2. Falsifying records or directing or coercing others to do so

Standard 3. Unlawful Acts

An educator shall abide by federal, state, and local laws and statutes and local school board policies.

3. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the commission or conviction of a felony or sexual offense. As used herein, conviction includes a finding or verdict of guilty, or a plea of *nolo contendere*, regardless of whether an appeal of the conviction has been sought or situation where first offender treatment without adjudication of guilt pursuant to the charge was granted.

Standard 4. Educator/Student Relationship

An educator should always maintain a professional relationship with all students, both in and outside the classroom.

4.1. Ethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Fulfilling the roles of mentor and advocate for students in a professional relationship. A professional relationship is one where the educator maintains a position of teacher/student authority while expressing concern, empathy, and encouragement for students
2. Nurturing the intellectual, physical, emotional, social and civic potential of all students
3. Providing an environment that does not needlessly expose students to unnecessary embarrassment or disparagement
4. Creating, supporting, and maintaining a challenging learning environment for all students

4.2. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to the following:

1. Committing any act of child abuse

2. Committing any act of cruelty to children or any act of child endangerment
3. Committing or soliciting any unlawful sexual act
4. Engaging in harassing behavior on the basis of race, gender, national origin, religion or disability
5. Furnishing tobacco, alcohol, or illegal/unauthorized drugs to any student or allowing a student to consume alcohol or illegal/unauthorized drugs
6. Soliciting, encouraging, participating or initiating inappropriate written, verbal, electronic, physical or romantic relationship with a student.

Examples of these acts may include but not be limited to:

1. sexual jokes
2. sexual remarks
3. sexual kidding or teasing
4. sexual innuendo
5. pressure for dates or sexual favors
6. inappropriate touching, fondling, kissing or grabbing
7. rape
8. threats of physical harm
9. sexual assault
10. electronic communication such as texting
11. invitation to social networking
12. remarks about a student's body
13. consensual sex

Standard 5. Educator Collegial Relationships

An educator should always maintain a professional relationship with colleagues, both in and outside the classroom

5. Unethical conduct includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Revealing confidential health or personnel information concerning colleagues unless disclosure serves lawful professional purposes or is required by law
2. Harming others by knowingly making false statements about a colleague or the school system
3. Interfering with a colleague's exercise of political, professional, or citizenship rights and responsibilities
4. Discriminating against or coercing a colleague on the basis of race, religion, national origin, age, sex, disability or family status
5. Using coercive means or promise of special treatment in order to influence professional decisions of colleagues

Standard 6. Alcohol, Drug and Tobacco Use or Possession

An educator should refrain from the use of alcohol and/or tobacco during the course of professional practice and should never use illegal or unauthorized drugs

6.1. Ethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Factually representing the dangers of alcohol, tobacco and illegal drug use and abuse to students during the course of professional practice

6.2. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Being under the influence of, possessing, using, or consuming illegal or unauthorized drugs

2. Being on school premises or at a school-related activity involving students while documented as being under the influence of, possessing, or consuming alcoholic beverages. A school-related activity includes but is not limited to, any activity that is sponsored by a school or a school system or any activity designed to enhance the school curriculum such as club trips, etc. which involve students.
3. Being on school premises or at a school-related activity involving students while documented using tobacco.

Standard 7. Public Funds and Property

An educator shall not knowingly misappropriate, divert, or use funds, personnel, property, or equipment committed to his or her charge for personal gain or advantage.

7.1. Ethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Maximizing the positive effect of school funds through judicious use of said funds
2. Modeling for students and colleagues the responsible use of public property

7.2. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Knowingly misappropriating, diverting or using funds, personnel, property or equipment committed to his or her charge for personal gain
2. Failing to account for funds collected from students, parents or any school-related function
3. Submitting fraudulent requests for reimbursement of expenses or for pay
4. Co-mingling public or school-related funds with personal funds or checking accounts
5. Using school property without the approval of the local board of education/governing body

Standard 8. Remunerative Conduct

An educator should maintain integrity with students, colleagues, parents, patrons, or businesses when accepting gifts, gratuities, favors, and additional compensation.

8.1. Ethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Insuring that institutional privileges are not used for personal gain
2. Insuring that school policies or procedures are not impacted by gifts or gratuities from any person or organization

8.2. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Soliciting students or parents of students to purchase equipment, supplies, or services from the educator or to participate in activities that financially benefit the educator unless approved by the local governing body.
2. Tutoring students assigned to the educator for remuneration unless approved by the local school board
3. The educator shall neither accept nor offer gratuities, gifts, or favors that impair professional judgment or to obtain special advantage. *(This standard shall not restrict the acceptance of gifts or tokens offered and accepted openly from students, parents, or other persons or organizations in recognition or appreciation of service)*

Standard 9. Maintenance of Confidentiality

An educator shall comply with state and federal laws and local school board policies relating to confidentiality of student and personnel records, standardized test material, and other information covered by confidentiality agreements.

9.1. Ethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Keeping in confidence information about students that has been obtained in the course of professional service unless disclosure serves a legitimate purpose or is required by law
2. Maintaining diligently the security of standardized test supplies and resources

9.2. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Sharing confidential information concerning student academic and disciplinary records, health and medical information family status/income and assessment/testing results unless disclosure is required or permitted by law.
2. Violating confidentiality agreements related to standardized testing including copying or teaching identified test items, publishing or distributing test items or answers, discussing test items, and violating local school board or state directions for the use of tests
3. Violating other confidentiality agreements required by state or local policy

Standard 10. Breach of Contract or Abandonment of Employment

An educator should fulfill all of the terms and obligations detailed in the contract with the local school board or educational agency for the duration of the contract.

10. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Abandoning the contract for professional services without prior release from the contract by the school board
- Refusing to perform services required by the contract.

STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

MISSISSIPPI EDUCATOR CODE OF ETHICS AND STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

DISPOSITIONS RATING SCALE

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING PROGRAM HANDBOOK

I have read and been given adequate instruction concerning the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct, Delta State University College and Education and Human Sciences Dispositions Rating Scale, and the Delta State University Master of Arts in Teaching Candidate Handbook.

I agree to abide by the Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct, the Dispositions Rating Scale, and the guidelines, policies, and procedures in the Master of Arts in Teaching Handbook throughout my education courses, field experiences, and internship. I understand that any violation pertaining to the standards, policies, or procedures in any of the aforementioned documents may result in my dismissal from internship and from the Master of Arts in Teaching Program at Delta State University and revocation of my temporary Teacher License.

Teacher Candidate Signature _____

Printed Name _____

Date _____

PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

Teacher candidates in the Master of Arts in Teaching program must create their philosophy of education. This assessment will be submitted to Anthology and evaluated by the instructor during CRD 628 Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum. This assessment is designed for candidates to demonstrate their ability to synthesize views of education that are commensurate of best practices and professionalism.

CRD 628 Philosophy of Education Rubric

	0-5 points	6-10 points	11-15 points	16-20 points	Score Level
Teaching Rationale	One or more criteria judged to be unacceptable. Explanation is unclear or inappropriate, and lacks appropriate examples	Gaps/omissions in philosophy. Composition/mechanical errors, while not unacceptable, are distracting. Explanation is basic in nature; lacks cohesiveness, clarity and/or example(s) are weak	All areas of philosophy represented at a basic level (minimal identification of theoretical bases/examples); minor composition/mechanical errors. Clear explanation with rational examples.	All areas of philosophy developed fully with theoretical bases and/or examples provided; absence of composition/mechanical errors. Detailed and honed explanation with superior examples	
Appropriate teaching/learning climate	One or more criteria judged to be unacceptable. Explanation is unclear or inappropriate, and lacks appropriate	Gaps/omissions in philosophy. Composition/mechanical errors, while not unacceptable, are distracting. Explanation is basic in nature; lacks cohesiveness, clarity and/or example(s) are weak	All areas of philosophy represented at a basic level (minimal identification of theoretical bases/examples); minor composition/mechanical errors. Clear explanation with rational examples.	All areas of philosophy developed fully with theoretical bases and/or examples provided; absence of composition/mechanical errors. Detailed and honed explanation with superior examples	

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Content	One or more criteria judged to be unacceptable. Explanation is unclear or inappropriate, and lacks appropriate examples	Gaps/omissions in philosophy. Composition/mechanical errors, while not unacceptable, are distracting. Explanation is basic in nature; lacks cohesiveness, clarity and/or example(s) are weak	All areas of philosophy represented at a basic level (minimal identification of theoretical bases/examples); minor composition/mechanical errors. Clear explanation with rational examples.	All areas of philosophy developed fully with theoretical bases and/or examples provided; absence of composition/mechanical errors. Detailed and honed explanation with superior examples	
Professionalism	One or more criteria judged to be unacceptable. Explanation is unclear or inappropriate, and lacks appropriate examples	Gaps/omissions in philosophy. Composition/mechanical errors, while not unacceptable, are distracting. Explanation is basic in nature; lacks cohesiveness, clarity and/or example(s) are weak	All areas of philosophy represented at a basic level (minimal identification of theoretical bases/examples); minor composition/mechanical errors. Clear explanation with rational examples.	All areas of philosophy developed fully with theoretical bases and/or examples provided; absence of composition/mechanical errors. Detailed and honed explanation with superior examples	
Composition/Mechanics	One or more criteria judged to be unacceptable. Explanation is unclear or inappropriate, and lacks appropriate	Gaps/omissions in philosophy. Composition/mechanical errors, while not unacceptable, are distracting. Explanation is basic in nature; lacks cohesiveness, clarity and/or example(s) are weak	All areas of philosophy represented at a basic level (minimal identification of theoretical bases/examples); minor composition/mechanical errors. Clear explanation with rational examples.	All areas of philosophy developed fully with theoretical bases and/or examples provided; absence of composition/mechanical errors. Detailed and honed explanation with superior examples	

	0-5 points	6-10 points	11-15 points	16-20 points	ScoreLevel
	e examples				

READING AND WRITING PORTFOLIO

The Reading /Writing portfolio engages candidates in experiences that allow them to demonstrate the ability to diagnose and remediate deficits in reading skills. Throughout the course, candidates develop and maintain a portfolio that contains the following artifacts:

- Reading pre/post-test, writing pre/post-test, detailed analysis of data including strengths and weaknesses for each of the four assessments describing planning implications for each student.
- Nine lesson plans incorporating MAX teaching strategies and five examples of student work.
- A self-reflection of teaching for each lesson plan discussing the strategy/strategies used. Also, three peer observation reports have been completed.
- A copy of two reading instruction research articles and two writing instruction research articles with an in-depth summary for each article. Describe the strategy used in the article and discuss how to implement it in the classroom.

CRD 628 Reading/Writing Portfolio Rubric

	0-Unacceptable	5-Emerging	15-Acceptable	25-Target	Score/Level
Assessment Information/ Data Analysis	Portfolio does not include a Reading pre/post-test or a Writing pre/post-test.	Portfolio includes: Reading pre/post-test, Writing pre/post-test.	Portfolio includes: Reading pre/post-test, writing pre/post-test, basic analysis of data including strengths and weaknesses for each of the four assessments.	Portfolio includes: Reading pre/post-test, writing pre/post-test, detailed analysis of data including strengths and weaknesses for each of the four assessments describing planning implications for each student.	
Lesson Planning/ Student Work	Portfolio does not include lesson plans or examples of student work.	Portfolio includes: Less than nine lesson plans and less than five examples of student work.	Portfolio includes: Nine lesson plans and five examples of student work.	Portfolio includes: Nine lesson plans incorporating MAX teaching strategies and five examples of student work.	
Teaching Reflection/ Observations	Portfolio does not include self-reflections or peer	Portfolio includes: Less than nine	Portfolio includes: A self-reflection	Portfolio includes: A self-reflection	

	0-Unacceptable	5-Emerging	15-Acceptable	25-Target	Score/Level
	observation reports.	self-reflections and/or less than three peer observation reports.	of teaching for each lesson plan and three peer observation reports have been completed.	of teaching for each lesson plan discussing the strategy/strategies used. Also, three peer observation reports have been completed.	
Research	Portfolio does not include reading instruction research articles or writing instruction research articles.	Portfolio includes: Less than two reading instruction research articles and less than two writing instruction research articles. Less than four summaries are provided.	Portfolio includes: A copy of two reading instruction research articles and two writing instruction research articles with an in-depth summary for each article.	Portfolio includes: A copy of two reading instruction research articles and two writing instruction research articles with an in-depth summary for each article. Describe the strategy used in the article and discuss how to implement it in your classroom.	

COMPREHENSIVE EXAM

Before graduating from the Master of Arts in Teaching program, candidates must demonstrate their mastery of topics related to Classroom Management, Assessment and Evaluation, Exceptional Children/Inclusive Teaching, Technology in Education, and Philosophy of Education. Preparation for the exam should include a thorough review of the topics' definitions/explanations, analysis of the key components, implementation, related people/theorists and research, impact on the teaching and learning process, integration during lessons, and classroom-based examples. The comprehensive exam consists of 5 prompts. Candidates must respond to each prompt in formal essay format (appropriate paragraph formation and length). Responses should be thorough and clear and must demonstrate full knowledge of the topic. **An application for the Comprehensive exam shall be submitted (on the MAT webpage) during registration for the candidate's last semester of coursework.**

Comprehensive Examination Scoring Guide

Student Number: _____ Reader: _____ Date _____

Scoring Criteria

3 - Target	2 - Acceptable	1 - Unacceptable
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<p>All components of the prompt are addressed; the response indicates thorough understanding of specific bodies of knowledge and content while demonstrating clear understanding of instructional practices that reflect the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS); the response contains accurate and appropriate citations; the response is organized and developed in a scholarly manner; and the response demonstrates accurate use of standard English.</p>	<p>All components of the prompt are addressed; the response indicates adequate understanding of specific bodies of knowledge and content while demonstrating adequate understanding of instructional practices that reflect the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS); the response contains acceptable citations; the response is organized and developed in a scholarly manner; and the response demonstrates use of standard English.</p>	<p>One or more components of the prompt is not addressed; the response does not indicate understanding of specific bodies of knowledge and content or understanding of instructional practices that reflect the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS); the response does not contain acceptable elaborations and citations; the response is not organized and developed in a scholarly manner; and the response does not demonstrate use of standard English.</p>
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*** To pass the exam, candidates must earn a score of at least 2 on each attempted question.**

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