

# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

## and **checklist** for

### Early Childhood Education • Elementary Education Special Education • Secondary Education



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of Education

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#### What is the **admission process**?

The Teacher Education Program has a separate admissions process. Students apply in February for Fall Semester and in September for Spring Semester. Admission to the Teacher Education Program is a separate process from Weber State University admission. You will be admitted on a **provisional** basis until you have completed all required course work, field experience, and testing. You will become a fully admitted candidate for licensure at the beginning of your student teaching semester.

**Meeting the minimum requirements only qualifies you to be considered for provisional admission.** You will be evaluated using a 70-point system: 30 points maximum for GPA and 40 points maximum for the interview. You will need to obtain minimum scores of these areas in order to be considered. **Please review the checklist as you go through the application process.**

#### What are the **provisional admission requirements** for students **without a degree**?

**Refer to Checklist for Admissions on next page**

#### What are the **provisional admission requirements** for students **with a bachelor's degree**?

You may have the option to pursue the Graduate Certificate in Teaching (GCT) through the MED Office. Please visit the website for more information and to see if you qualify: [weber.edu/teachered/graduate-certificate-teaching.html](http://weber.edu/teachered/graduate-certificate-teaching.html) If you don't pursue this option, please contact the Teacher Ed. Advisement Center, 801-626-6636, for more information on the undergraduate option.

#### What happens if I'm **not admitted** to the program?

You may apply a total of three times.

#### Is there an **appeal process**?

If you wish to appeal a decision or ruling of the Admission and Retention Committee, you must communicate that request in writing to the committee chairperson. The appeal process is outlined in the WSU Student Rights and Responsibilities policy.

#### What are the **prerequisites**?

You may apply to the Teacher Education Program if you are currently enrolled in or have completed the following courses:

1. ENGL 2010 (grade C or above);
2. MATH 2010 for Elementary, Special Ed., and Early Childhood Education.  
Secondary Education candidates should check with their content departments regarding the required QL class for their major;
3. COMM HU1020, COMM HU2110 or equivalent (grade B- or above);
4. EDUC 1010 Exploring Teaching.

#### What happens after I'm **provisionally admitted**?

You are expected to maintain high professional and academic standards. Quality of work and timely progress through the program are two (2) criteria considered as evidence of your professional competence. Your admission is subject to the following conditions:

1. Provisional admission to a specific program is valid for a period of five (5) years. If you have not completed the program within the five-year period, you will be required to seek readmission under the admission standards at the time of re-application.
2. Professional education credit hours older than five (5) years at the time of program admission may not be counted toward licensure.
3. Failure to maintain a level of achievement consistent with the program standards required for teacher education admission may result in suspension from the program. Once you are admitted to the program, you must maintain a GPA of 3.00. You cannot receive a grade lower than a B- in any professional education course. If you do receive a grade lower than a B-, you may repeat any professional education course one (1) time.
4. Documented violations of the WSU Student Code of Conduct will be considered grounds for suspension or dismissal from the Teacher Education Program.
5. You are admitted on a provisional basis until you begin your student teaching. If you fail to maintain an acceptable level of achievement during this time, the Teacher Education Admission and Retention Committee may revoke your provisional status.

## What **exams** are required prior to **student teaching**?

- **Secondary** students take PRAXIS II content exam(s) in your minor area(s).
- **Elementary, double major in Elementary/Early Childhood Ed., and Special Ed. majors** take the PRAXIS II Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001) test. The 4 subtests include Language Arts/Reading (157), Mathematics (157), Science (159), and Social Studies (155) and you must pass all 4 subtests.
- **Early Childhood Ed. (K-3) majors only** take the PRAXIS II Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001) test, or the PRAXIS II Early Childhood: Content Knowledge (5025).

Please Note: Students need to **pass** the required PRAXIS exam prior to student teaching.

## Where do I **register for the Praxis II test**?

Go to [www.ets.org/praxis/register](http://www.ets.org/praxis/register). You will need to create an account to register for the test. Before registering for the test, please make sure you know what test(s) you are required to take and pass. If you have any questions regarding what test to take, refer to the link on the website regarding state testing requirements or call the Teacher Education Advisement Center. Study materials for Praxis are available on reserve in the Weber State University Stewart Library. (Changes in Spring 2020)

## Do I need a **background check**?

Yes, you must have a background check in order to be formally admitted and before being placed in a public school for field experiences. To begin your professional program you will need to receive clearance first. Clearance from the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission is required of all applicants. Please note that a criminal record prevents you from entering and being admitted into the program. Additional information will be provided once you are notified about provisional admission into the Teacher Education Program.

## Under what circumstances are **special accommodations** made?

The Department of Teacher Education also recognizes specific program and diversity needs of professional educators as well as students with disabilities, and it reserves the right to consider such factors in the admission of candidates. If you have a disability, you must first register with Disability Services (DS) located in the Student Services Center, SC181.

## What if I **transfer** from another institution?

If you are planning to transfer to Weber State University, you need to apply to WSU and have official transcripts submitted to the Admissions Office.

## CHECKLIST FOR ADMISSION

- English/Math/Communications**  
Complete English Composition (grade C or above in ENGL 2010 or equivalent), MATH 2010 for Elementary, Special Ed., and Early Childhood Ed. Secondary Education candidates should check with their departments regarding requirement, Communication Proficiency (grade B- or above in COMM HU1020, or COMM HU2110).
- EDUC 1010 Exploring Teaching**
- Minimum Number of Credit Hours and GPA**  
Complete at least 40 semester hours of general education along with prerequisite courses and a 2.75 cumulative GPA or 3.0 for the last 30 credit hours. (For a specific breakdown on the on the GPA, please refer to the advising web site at <http://weber.edu/teachered/howtoapply.html>)
- Application Deadline**  
By the deadline date indicated at the bottom of this page, you must submit your application on-line @ <https://portalapps.weber.edu/teachereducation/>
- Interview Sign-Up**  
After submitting your online application, your coursework will be evaluated to make sure you meet the minimum qualifications. You will receive an email indicating that you need to schedule an interview. Please call 801-626-7694 to schedule an interview. The interview schedule will be available approximately one (1) month prior to the interview dates outlined below. Specific details will be provided when you submit the application materials.
- Orientation**  
If you are accepted into the program, you must attend the mandatory orientation seminar which is normally the first day of class. Information on the orientation will be included in your admission letter.
- USBE Background Check**  
You must complete a fingerprint background check for USBE before you can be formally admitted into the program and begin program coursework. Please be aware that the USBE background check is required even if you have had another background check. Please see the fingerprinting website for additional information: [weber.edu/fingerprinting](http://weber.edu/fingerprinting)

ADMISSION SCHEDULE AND DEADLINES			
Admission for Classes	Application Deadline	Candidate Interviews	Registration Begins
Spring Semester 2022	September 24, 2021	October 6, 2021	November 8, 2021
Fall Semester 2022	February 18, 2022	March 9, 2022	April 11, 2022
Spring Semester 2023	September 23, 2022	October 5, 2022	November 7, 2022

**Please Note: Dates should be considered approximate and are subject to change.**