



University of South Carolina Upstate  
Traditional Report AY 2020-21  
South Carolina



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STATUS: CERTIFIED

## Institution Information

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Academic year](#)
- [IPEDS ID](#)

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THIS INSTITUTION HAS NO IPEDS ID

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# List of Programs

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>> [List of Programs](#)

List each program for an initial teaching credential below and indicate whether it is offered at the Undergraduate level (UG), Institution Information Postgraduate level (PG), or both.

**(§205(a)(C))**

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- [Teacher Preparation Program](#)

## List of Programs

CIP Code	Teacher Preparation Programs	UG, PG, or Both	Update
13.121	Early Childhood Education	UG	
13.1202	Elementary Education	UG	
13.1203	Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education and Teaching	UG	
13.1	Special Education	Both	
13.1302	Teacher Education - Art	UG	
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	UG	
13.1323	Teacher Education - Chemistry	UG	
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	UG	
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	UG	
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	UG	
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	UG	
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	UG	

Total number of teacher preparation programs:

13

# Program Requirements

Check the elements required for admission (entry) into and completion (exit) from the program. If programs are offered at the undergraduate level and postgraduate level, complete the table for both types of programs. [\(\\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(i\)\)](#)

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- >> [Undergraduate Requirements](#)
- >> [Postgraduate Requirements](#)
- >> [Supervised Clinical Experience](#)

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Full-time equivalent faculty supervising clinical experience](#)
- [Adjunct faculty supervising clinical experience](#)
- [Cooperating Teachers/PreK-12 Staff Supervising Clinical Experience](#)
- [Supervised clinical experience](#)

## Undergraduate Requirements

1. Are there initial teacher certification programs at the undergraduate level?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, for each element listed below, indicate if it is required for admission into or exit from any of your teacher preparation program(s) at the undergraduate level. If no, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)) then click save at the bottom of the page.

Element	Admission	Completion
Transcript	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Fingerprint check	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Background check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum ACT score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum SAT score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum basic skills test score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Recommendation(s)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Essay or personal statement	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Element	Admission	Completion
Interview	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Other Specify: <input type="text" value="An essay on Progressivism is required in EDFO U200."/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

2. What is the minimum GPA required for admission into the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

2.75

3. What is the minimum GPA required for completing the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

2.5

4. Please provide any additional information about the information provided above:

## Postgraduate Requirements

1. Are there initial teacher certification programs at the postgraduate level?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, for each element listed below, indicate if it is required for admission into or exit from any of your teacher preparation program(s) at the postgraduate level. If no, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)) then click save at the bottom of the page.

Element	Admission	Completion
Transcript	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Fingerprint check	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Background check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum ACT score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum SAT score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Minimum basic skills test score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Recommendation(s)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Essay or personal statement	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Element	Admission	Completion
Interview	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Other Specify: <input type="text" value="MAT or GRE"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

2. What is the minimum GPA required for admission into the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

3. What is the minimum GPA required for completing the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

4. Please provide any additional information about the information provided above:

Our one post graduate program that leads to initial licensure in the area of visual impairment is an MAT.

## Supervised Clinical Experience

Provide the following information about supervised clinical experience in 2020-21. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(iii\)](#), [§205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(iv\)](#))

Are there programs with student teaching models?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, provide the next two responses. If no, leave them blank.

Programs with student teaching models (most traditional programs)	
Number of clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to student teaching	<input type="text" value="100"/>
Number of clock hours required for student teaching	<input type="text" value="490"/>

Are there programs in which candidates are the teacher of record?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, provide the next two responses. If no, leave them blank.

Programs in which candidates are the teacher of record in a classroom during the program (many alternative programs)	
Number of clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to teaching as the teacher of record in a classroom	<input type="text"/>
Number of years required for teaching as the teacher of record in a classroom	<input type="text"/>

**Number of full-time equivalent faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE staff)**

[Optional tool](#) for automatically calculating full-time equivalent faculty in the system

**Number of adjunct faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE staff)**

**Number of cooperating teachers/K-12 staff supervising clinical experience during this academic year**

**Number of students in supervised clinical experience during this academic year**

**Please provide any additional information about or descriptions of the supervised clinical experiences:**

After reviewing the definition of the key term "supervised clinical experience" as hyperlinked above, the number of cooperating teachers/k-12 staff supervising clinical experience was calculated by adding the cooperating teachers supervising clinical students and cooperating teachers supervising student teachers. Likewise, the number of students in supervised clinical experience include students enrolled in clinical/field experiences and students enrolled in directed student teaching experiences.

# Enrollment and Program Completers

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

>> [Enrollment and Program Completers](#)

In each of the following categories, provide the total number of individuals enrolled in teacher preparation programs for an initial teaching credential and the subset of individuals enrolled who also completed the program during the academic year.

**(§205(a)(1)(C)(ii))**

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Enrolled Student](#)
- [Program Completer](#)

## Enrollment and Program Completers

2020-21 Total	
Total Number of Individuals Enrolled	331
Subset of Program Completers	120

Gender	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
Male	62	29
Female	212	91
Non-Binary/Other	0	0
No Gender Reported	57	0
Race/Ethnicity	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0
Asian	5	2
Black or African American	35	16
Hispanic/Latino of any race	13	5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0
White	209	93



Race/Ethnicity	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
Two or more races	4	2
No Race/Ethnicity Reported	65	2

# Teachers Prepared

On this page, enter the number of program completers by the subject area in which they were prepared to teach, and by their academic majors. Note that an individual can be counted in more than one academic major and subject area. For example, if an individual is prepared to teach Elementary Education and Mathematics, that individual should be counted in both subject areas. If no individuals were prepared in a particular academic major or subject area, you may leave the cell blank. Please use the "Other" category sparingly, if there is no similar subject area or academic major listed. In these cases, you should use the text box to describe the subject area(s) and/or the academic major(s) counted in the "Other" category.

If your IHE offers both traditional and alternative programs, be sure to enter the program completers in the appropriate reports. For the traditional report, provide only the program completers in traditional programs within the IHE. For the alternative report, provide only the program completers for the alternative programs within the IHE.

After entering the teachers prepared data, save the page using the floating save box at the bottom of the page.

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Academic Major](#)

## THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

- >> [Teachers Prepared by Subject Area](#)
- >> [Teachers Prepared by Academic Major](#)

## Teachers Prepared by Subject Area

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by subject area for academic year 2020-21.

For the purposes of this section, number prepared means the number of program completers. "Subject area" refers to the subject area(s) an individual has been prepared to teach. An individual can be counted in more than one subject area. If no individuals were prepared in a particular subject area, please leave that cell blank. ([§205\(b\)\(1\)\(H\)](#))

### What are CIP Codes?

No teachers prepared in academic year 2020-21

If your program has no teachers prepared, check the box above and leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

What are CIP codes? The Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) provides a taxonomic scheme that supports the accurate tracking and reporting of fields of study and program completions activity. CIP was originally developed by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) in 1980, with revisions occurring in 1985, 1990, and 2000 (<https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/Default.aspx?y=55>).

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.10	Teacher Education - Special Education	<input type="text" value="9"/>
13.1202	Teacher Education - Elementary Education	<input type="text" value="20"/>

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.1203	Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	17
13.1210	Teacher Education - Early Childhood Education	33
13.1301	Teacher Education - Agriculture	
13.1302	Teacher Education - Art	5
13.1303	Teacher Education - Business	
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	13
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	1
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	
13.1308	Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	
13.1309	Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	16
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	14
13.1315	Teacher Education - Reading	
13.1316	Teacher Education - Science Teacher Education/General Science	4
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Science	
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	13
13.1320	Teacher Education - Trade and Industrial	
13.1321	Teacher Education - Computer Science	
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	1
13.1323	Teacher Education - Chemistry	
13.1324	Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	
13.1328	Teacher Education - History	
13.1329	Teacher Education - Physics	
13.1331	Teacher Education - Speech	

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.1337	Teacher Education - Earth Science	<input type="text"/>
13.14	Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	<input type="text"/>
13.99	Education - Other Specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Teachers Prepared by Academic Major

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by academic major for academic year 2020-21. For the purposes of this section, number prepared means the number of program completers. "Academic major" refers to the actual major(s) declared by the program completer. An individual can be counted in more than one academic major. If no individuals were prepared in a particular academic major, please leave that cell blank. ([§205\(b\)\(1\)\(H\)](#))

Please note that the list of majors includes several "Teacher Education" majors, as well as several noneducation majors. Please use care in entering your majors to ensure education-specific majors and non-education majors are counted correctly. For example, if an individual majored in Chemistry, that individual should be counted in the "Chemistry" academic major category rather than the "Teacher Education–Chemistry" category.

### [What are CIP Codes?](#)

Do participants earn a degree upon completion of the program?

- Yes  
 No

No teachers prepared in academic year 2020-21

If your program does not grant participants a degree upon completion, or has no teachers prepared, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
13.10	Teacher Education - Special Education	<input type="text" value="9"/>
13.1202	Teacher Education - Elementary Education	<input type="text" value="20"/>
13.1203	Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	<input type="text" value="17"/>
13.1210	Teacher Education - Early Childhood Education	<input type="text" value="33"/>
13.1301	Teacher Education - Agriculture	<input type="text"/>
13.1302	Teacher Education - Art	<input type="text" value="5"/>
13.1303	Teacher Education - Business	<input type="text"/>
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	<input type="text" value="13"/>
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	<input type="text" value="1"/>
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	<input type="text"/>

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
13.1308	Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	<input type="text"/>
13.1309	Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	<input type="text"/>
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	16
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	<input type="text"/>
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	14
13.1315	Teacher Education - Reading	<input type="text"/>
13.1316	Teacher Education - General Science	4
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Science	<input type="text"/>
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	13
13.1320	Teacher Education - Trade and Industrial	<input type="text"/>
13.1321	Teacher Education - Computer Science	<input type="text"/>
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	1
13.1323	Teacher Education - Chemistry	<input type="text"/>
13.1324	Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	<input type="text"/>
13.1328	Teacher Education - History	<input type="text"/>
13.1329	Teacher Education - Physics	<input type="text"/>
13.1331	Teacher Education - Speech	<input type="text"/>
13.1337	Teacher Education - Earth Science	<input type="text"/>
13.14	Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	<input type="text"/>
13.99	Education - Other Specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
01	Agriculture	<input type="text"/>
03	Natural Resources and Conservation	<input type="text"/>
05	Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	<input type="text"/>
09	Communication or Journalism	<input type="text"/>

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
11	Computer and Information Sciences	<input type="text"/>
12	Personal and Culinary Services	<input type="text"/>
14	Engineering	<input type="text"/>
16	Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	<input type="text"/>
19	Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences	<input type="text"/>
21	Technology Education/Industrial Arts	<input type="text"/>
22	Legal Professions and Studies	<input type="text"/>
23	English Language/Literature	<input type="text"/>
24	Liberal Arts/Humanities	<input type="text"/>
25	Library Science	<input type="text"/>
26	Biological and Biomedical Sciences	<input type="text"/>
27	Mathematics and Statistics	<input type="text"/>
30	Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	<input type="text"/>
38	Philosophy and Religious Studies	<input type="text"/>
40	Physical Sciences	<input type="text"/>
41	Science Technologies/Technicians	<input type="text"/>
42	Psychology	<input type="text"/>
44	Public Administration and Social Service Professions	<input type="text"/>
45	Social Sciences	<input type="text"/>
46	Construction	<input type="text"/>
47	Mechanic and Repair Technologies	<input type="text"/>
50	Visual and Performing Arts	<input type="text"/>
51	Health Professions and Related Clinical Sciences	<input type="text"/>
52	Business/Management/Marketing	<input type="text"/>
54	History	<input type="text"/>

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
99	Other Specify: <input data-bbox="289 121 1260 163" type="text"/>	<input data-bbox="1292 90 1568 132" type="text"/>

# Program Assurances

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

>> [Program Assurances](#)

Respond to the following assurances. Note: Teacher preparation programs should be prepared to provide documentation and evidence, when requested, to support the following assurances. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(iii\)](#); [§206\(b\)](#))

## Program Assurances

1. Program preparation responds to the identified needs of the local educational agencies or States where the program completers are likely to teach, based on past hiring and recruitment trends.

- Yes  
 No

2. Preparation is closely linked with the needs of schools and the instructional decisions new teachers face in the classroom.

- Yes  
 No

3. Prospective special education teachers are prepared in core academic subjects and to instruct in core academic subjects.

- Yes  
 No  
 Program does not prepare special education teachers

4. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to students with disabilities.

- Yes  
 No

5. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to limited English proficient students.

- Yes  
 No

6. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to students from low-income families.

- Yes  
 No

7. Prospective teachers are prepared to effectively teach in urban and rural schools, as applicable.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your institution's most successful strategies in meeting the assurances listed above:

The SoEHPH works closely with our local partnership pk-12 schools to address the needs of the local communities. Additionally, our initial teacher certification programs have selected pre-student teaching clinical sites in specific schools that reflect diversity in their student populations, faculty populations, and in their curricula. Selected schools include those with high needs and at-risk student populations, year-round schedules, high free/reduced lunch student populations, language/cultural immersion classrooms, single-gender classrooms, ESOL student populations, and/or LEP student populations. These placements are found in both urban and rural settings. Placement practices are deliberate to assure our teacher candidates are able to meet the needs of all pK-12 students.





# Annual Goals: Mathematics

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- >> [Review Current Year's Goal \(2021-22\)](#)
- >> [Set Next Year's Goal \(2022-23\)](#)

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route teacher preparation program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.

[\(§205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), §205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), §206\(a\)\)](#)

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2020-21)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2020-21?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2020-21 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

8 students. The mathematics educator resubmitted the NSF Noyce Scholarship grant to increase the number of highly qualified mathematics and science pre-service teachers entering the program. The grant was funded and began October 1, 2020. This scholarship grant features a partnership between USC Upstate and an area community college, and involves several members from across the university. The funding of the NSF Noyce grant led to the dissemination of scholarships to encourage candidates majoring in mathematics to also major in mathematics education.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- Yes  
 No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

The department continues to promote an open communication platform with faculty employed by local community colleges. This communication involves meetings (in person and virtual) and email conversations to provide guidance to community college faculty who assist students in their transition to a four-year program specifically focusing on education.

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

The department seeks to strengthen communication with the mathematics department to improve course rotations and offerings that effect the progression of mathematics education students.

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Review Current Year's Goal (2021-22)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in mathematics in 2021-22? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

8 additional students.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2022-23)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2022-23? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

12 students additional students. We would like to use our current recruitment efforts and partnerships to increase the enrollment.

# Annual Goals: Science

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- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2020-21)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in science in 2020-21?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2020-21 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

2020 - 2021 goal - 3 students The mathematics educator resubmitted the NSF Noyce Scholarship grant to increase the number of highly qualified mathematics and science pre-service teachers entering the program. The grant was funded and began October 1, 2020. This scholarship grant features a partnership between USC Upstate and an area community college, and involves several members from across the university. The funding of the NSF Noyce grant led to the dissemination of scholarships to encourage candidates majoring in science to also major in science education.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- Yes  
 No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

The department continues to promote an open communication platform with faculty employed by local community colleges. This communication involves meetings (in person and virtual) and email conversations to provide guidance to community college faculty who assist students in their transition to a four-year program specifically focusing on education.

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

The department seeks to strengthen communication with the sciences department to improve course rotations and offerings that effect the progression of science education students.

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Review Current Year's Goal (2021-22)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in science in 2021-22? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

4 additional students

## Set Next Year's Goal (2022-23)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in science in 2022-23? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

6 additional students. We would like to use our current recruitment efforts and partnerships to increase enrollment.

# Annual Goals: Special Education

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[\(§205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), §205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), §206\(a\)\)](#)

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- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2020-21)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in special education in 2020-21?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2020-21 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

The Special Education: Learning Disability Program will continue to identify the goal of achieving 14 Program completers for the 2020-2021 academic year. We did not meet this goal. We had 9 completers.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- Yes  
 No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

N/A

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

The goal to increase the candidate enrollment in Special Education continues to be a Program priority. In these efforts, three actions are followed (1) Responsive Advisement, (2) Program Promotions, and (3) Completer Satisfaction. (1) Responsive Advisement To better meet the needs of the future teachers, academic advisement in the area of special education is offered to candidates in both face-to-face and virtual environments. Candidates are contacted by the advisor and encouraged to electronically select an appointment time. If the options are not conducive to the advisees' schedule, the advisor and student then individually identify a date and time that is best for both. The advisor, who is a faculty member in special education, provides written copies of the coursework discussed. Both short-term (semester) and long-term (graduation) goals are mapped out to provide a clear pathways to Program completion. (2) Program Promotions Since fall 2020, the special education faculty members have begun to teach the special education introduction class, a course required of all teacher licensure preparation programs. Subsequently, these faculty members are able to share first-hand

about the opportunities to obtain a degree in special education and assist the student with determining if it is a career path for them. 3) Completer Satisfaction The special education faculty members continue to be in contact with the Program's former graduates. Program completers often serve as clinical host teachers and participate in various on-campus activities, including guest lecture opportunities. Graduates also have a Facebook page which is often used instructionally to share ideas and/or promote self-efficacy and comradery.

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Review Current Year's Goal (2021-22)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in special education in 2021-22? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

The Special Education: Learning Disability Program goal is to achieve 10 program completers for the 2021-2022 academic year.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2022-23)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in special education in 2022-23? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

The Special Education program aims to have at least 5 program completers for the 2022-2023 academic year. This goal is adjusted to reflect the decline in recent enrollments.

# Annual Goals: Instruction of Limited English Proficient Students

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route teacher preparation program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.

[§205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(i\)](#), [§205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\)](#), [§206\(a\)](#)

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- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

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- >> [Review Current Year's Goal \(2021-22\)](#)
- >> [Set Next Year's Goal \(2022-23\)](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2020-21)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2020-21?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2020-21 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- Yes  
 No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:



## Review Current Year's Goal (2021-22)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2021-22? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2022-23)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2022-23? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

## Assessment Pass Rates

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- [Pass rate](#)
- [Scaled score](#)
- [Teacher credential assessment](#)

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## Assessment Pass Rates

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5135 -ART CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	5			
ETS5135 -ART CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	4			
ETS5135 -ART CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	4			
ETS0235 -BIOLOGY CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	1			
ETS0235 -BIOLOGY CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	2			
ETS5025 -EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	13	167	12	92

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5025 -EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	20	167	20	100
ETS5025 -EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	4			
ETS5024 -EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	13	174	12	92
ETS5024 -EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	35	169	32	91
ETS5024 -EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	33	172	31	94
ETS7813 -ELEM ED CKT: MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	3			
ETS7812 -ELEM ED CKT: READING LANGUAGE ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	3			
ETS7814 -ELEM ED CKT: SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	3			
ETS7814 -ELEM ED CKT: SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	1			
ETS7815 -ELEM ED CKT: SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	3			
ETS7815 -ELEM ED CKT: SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	3			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	4			
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	16	176	16	100
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	40	177	40	100
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	44	174	42	95

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	4			
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	16	173	16	100
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	40	167	38	95
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	44	167	42	95
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	4			
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	16	167	16	100
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	39	168	36	92
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	44	167	41	93
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	4			
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	16	170	15	94
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	37	165	32	86
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	44	162	41	93
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	1			
ETS5038 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CK Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	2			
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	2			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	1			
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	5			
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	10	175	9	90
ETS5161 -MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5161 -MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	4			
ETS5161 -MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	6			
ETS5161 -MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	6			
ETS5047 -MIDDLE SCHOOL ENG LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	7			
ETS5047 -MIDDLE SCHOOL ENG LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	6			
ETS5047 -MIDDLE SCHOOL ENG LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	5			
ETS5169 -MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	11	169	8	73
ETS5169 -MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	3			
ETS5169 -MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	4			
ETS5440 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	2			
ETS5440 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	6			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5440 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	5			
ETS5440 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	4			
ETS5089 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5089 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	3			
ETS5089 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	8			
ETS5089 -MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	6			
ACT1018 -OPI SPANISH American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Langua All program completers, 2019-20	1			
ETS5095 -PHYSICAL ED CONTENT AND DESIGN Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	6			
ETS5095 -PHYSICAL ED CONTENT AND DESIGN Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	12	171	11	92
ETS5095 -PHYSICAL ED CONTENT AND DESIGN Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	11	172	8	73
ETS5095 -PHYSICAL ED CONTENT AND DESIGN Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	9			
ETS5623 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 5-9 Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5623 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 5-9 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	16	175	15	94
ETS5623 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 5-9 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	11	177	11	100
ETS5623 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 5-9 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	13	178	13	100

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	8			
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	23	171	23	100
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	27	175	26	96
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	36	174	36	100
ETS5621 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING EARLY CHILD Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	11	162	10	91
ETS5621 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING EARLY CHILD Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	33	166	30	91
ETS5621 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING EARLY CHILD Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	38	168	36	95
ETS5621 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING EARLY CHILD Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	32	171	31	97
ETS5622 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING K-6 Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	5			
ETS5622 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING K-6 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	37	172	36	97
ETS5622 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING K-6 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	65	174	62	95
ETS5622 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING K-6 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	66	174	66	100
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	7			
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	14	179	14	100
ETS5354 -SE CORE KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATIONS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	19	176	19	100

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5383 -SE TEACH STUDENTS W LEARNING DISAB Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	7			
ETS5383 -SE TEACH STUDENTS W LEARNING DISAB Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	13	167	13	100
ETS5383 -SE TEACH STUDENTS W LEARNING DISAB Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	18	168	18	100
ETS5282 -SE TEACHING STU WVISUAL IMPAIRMENT Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	1			
ETS5282 -SE TEACHING STU WVISUAL IMPAIRMENT Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	2			
ETS5282 -SE TEACHING STU WVISUAL IMPAIRMENT Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	1			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2020-21	7			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2019-20	8			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	10	161	10	100
ETS5195 -SPANISH WORLD LANGUAGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2018-19	1			
ACT2015 -WPT SPANISH American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Langua All program completers, 2019-20	1			



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## Summary Pass Rates

Group	Number taking tests	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
All program completers, 2020-21	113	99	88
All program completers, 2019-20	146	128	88
All program completers, 2018-19	152	143	94

# Low-Performing

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Provide the following information about the approval or accreditation of your teacher preparation program. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(D\)](#), [§205\(a\)\(1\)\(E\)](#))

## Low-Performing

1. Is your teacher preparation program currently approved or accredited?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please specify the organization(s) that approved or accredited your program:

- State
- CAEP
- AAQEP
- Other specify:

2. Is your teacher preparation program currently under a designation as "low-performing" by the state?

- Yes
- No

# Use of Technology

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## Use of Technology

1. Provide the following information about the use of technology in your teacher preparation program. Please note that choosing 'yes' indicates that your teacher preparation program would be able to provide evidence upon request. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(F\)](#))

Does your program prepare teachers to:

- a. integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction

Yes  
 No

- b. use technology effectively to collect data to improve teaching and learning

Yes  
 No

- c. use technology effectively to manage data to improve teaching and learning

Yes  
 No

- d. use technology effectively to analyze data to improve teaching and learning

Yes  
 No

2. Provide a description of the evidence that your program uses to show that it prepares teachers to integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction, and to use technology effectively to collect, manage, and analyze data in order to improve teaching and learning for the purpose of increasing student academic achievement. Include a description of the evidence your program uses to show that it prepares teachers to use the principles of universal design for learning, as applicable. Include planning activities and a timeline if any of the four elements listed above are not currently in place.

All School of Education, Human Performance, and Health (SoEHPH) students complete a general information technology course and an education-specific technology course. Moreover, all SoEHPH classrooms contain an interactive white board in a smart classroom that faculty use to model effective teaching. Students also practice using this equipment during their presentations in the university classrooms, as well as lesson implementation in their clinical settings. All methods courses require technology integration projects and presentations. All programs align curricula with ISTE standards. Furthermore, teacher candidates complete components of a Teacher Work Sample in stages as they progress through their clinical sequence, with a final Teacher Work Sample due at the completion of student teaching. Several of the components of the Teacher Work Sample require students to develop and administer, analyze, and interpret a pre/post assessment. All collected data must be entered, graphed, analyzed, interpreted, and presented, using database and graphing/presentation software. Students are asked to reflect on the data compiled to find areas of success and points of weakness in an effort to increase student achievement.



# Teacher Training

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Provide the following information about your teacher preparation program.

**(§205(a)(1)(G))**

## Teacher Training

### 1. Provide a description of the activities that prepare general education teachers to:

#### a. Teach students with disabilities effectively

Ingrained in all professional program courses is the idea of cultivating agency in the teacher candidate. This is executed through curricula that provide teacher candidates with the theoretical and practical aspects of teaching all students, including those students with disabilities. Students learn how modifications to curriculum, classroom environment, and open communication with parents, can create a classroom where all students have an opportunity to achieve success. Further, all SoEHPH students must enroll in and complete EDFO U341- Introduction to Exceptional Learners / Special Education, a course that addresses the characteristics, assessment, and effective instructional procedures for students served under IDEA including the general educator's role and needs of students of varying exceptionalities.

#### b. Participate as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.

All USC Upstate teacher candidates enroll in EDFO U341-Introduction to Exceptional Learners/Special Education. Students in this course learn about the various roles and responsibilities of all IEP team members through lecture, discussion, and course readings. This knowledge is measured by reading checks as well as a midterm exam. Students also are required to write a "1-Page" where they identify IDEA laws and regulations and how those apply to their future careers as educators. Accommodations and modifications are an essential part of IEPs and of particular importance to general educators. Students learn evidence-based practices along with accommodations and modifications for students with a variety of disabilities (both high- and low-incidence). Students are required to identify IEP accommodations and modifications for their particular future classroom that they could use with students with specific disabilities.

#### c. Effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.

Students enrolled in the SoEHPH's professional program must complete a variety of courses that specifically address a student who is LEP. Strategies are included in all literacy courses for each teacher education program, as well as: EDFO U483- Organization and Management of the Diverse Classroom, EDFO U487- Student, Teacher, and School Assessment, EDSC U344: M/Sec Managing the Classroom Environment, and EDSC U433 ML/Sec Educational Assessment. All courses provide teacher candidates with the theoretical and practical aspects associated with modifying curricula, assessments, and environment to assist students who are LEP. Recently the Unit launched a new 1-credit course EDSC U398- Teaching English Language Learner to provide students with the tools to work with students and parents who identify as LEP.

### 2. Does your program prepare special education teachers?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, provide a description of the activities that prepare *special education teachers* to:

#### a. Teach students with disabilities effectively

The School of Education's Bachelor of Science degree in Special Education specifically prepares candidates to meet the South Carolina certification and highly qualified requirements for licensure in Learning Disabilities (K-12). This Program is approved by the South Carolina State Department of

Education and holds accreditation by the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). The Special Education- Learning Disabilities program of study consists of 122 hours of coursework, comprised of 54 hours in professional education in the areas of learning disabilities (LD) and literacy. In addition to aligning its curriculum offerings with the CEC Content and LD Performance-based standards, the Special Education-Learning Disabilities Program allows teacher candidates to design and implement instruction in accordance with the state content standards and to demonstrate the professional dispositions defined by the South Carolina Department of Education Standards of conduct. The LD Program of study consists of four stages (semesters), systematically designed for Special Education teacher candidates to acquire, practice, and refine competencies in a developmental and recursive manner. The focus for each course is categorized into one of four groups: 1. content, 2. skills, 3. skill-theory, 4. complete immersion field experience. The content-based courses target corresponding CEC Standards to establish the candidates' knowledge in those areas (i.e., LD Characteristics [stage I], Assessment [stage II], Organization and Management of the Diverse Classroom [stage III], and Issues and Trends in Exceptionalities [stage IV]). The skills-based classes include field placements where candidates apply multiple CEC Standards that focus on teaching methods for individual content areas (i.e., LD Math and Literacy [stage I], Literacy [stage II], LD Reading and LD Language Disorders [stage III]). The skill-theory classes have candidates apply principles of behavioral and cognitive theory (i.e., LD Methods [stage I], and LD Curriculum [stage II]) and the two-field based courses require activities beyond the assignments completed in the method skill-based course practicums (stage III and stage IV). The overarching paradigm shaping all instruction in the LD Program is the principle that a teacher's actions are to be research-based. Student outcomes are measured by what the IDEA refers to as Responsiveness-to-Intervention (RtI) practices. This methodological approach ensures that candidates gain the knowledge and skills proven most likely to accomplish desired student-learning outcomes. Candidates in turn are held accountable for their teaching performances.

**b. Participate as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.**

To support RtI and MTSS (Multiple-Tier System of Support) practices, candidates in the Special Education-Learning Disabilities Program also receive specific training that prepares them for their future roles as member of individualized education program (IEP) teams. In the Program's first stage, candidates write four fictitious IEPs. During stage II, candidates complete an assessment report based upon formal testing that they conduct with an assigned student in the clinical setting. In the Program's practicum (stage III), candidates write IEPs for students with whom they teach and attend the IEP meetings. During the final stage, candidates are encouraged to lead an IEP meeting.

**c. Effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.**

To support RtI and MTSS practices, the Special Education-Learning Disabilities Program provides candidates with continuous interactive experiences with schoolchildren in multiple settings, including schools with high poverty communities and student populations from multiple cultural and linguistic backgrounds. In each of their pre-student teaching placements, candidates document in quantifiable terms students' academic gains to evaluate how well their RtI practices are appropriately designed to meet the settings' and students' unique needs. This assessment model uses data-driven evidence to assess the impact on student learning. In addition to working with children who have limited English proficiency in their clinical settings, candidates complete a variety of projects in the Program's Language Disorder class devoted to addressing the needs of learners who are ELL. Here, students complete the IRIS modules, including its case study and response questions. Candidates also develop lesson plans for demonstrating their ability to select, adapt and use instructional strategies and materials that address the language deficiencies of a learner who is ELL.

# Contextual Information

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## Contextual Information

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On an annual basis SoEHPH faculty members in each program: Elementary, Early Childhood, Special Education - Learning Disabilities, Special Education - Visual Impairment, Middle Level/Secondary, and Physical Education compile program candidates' performance data into a report that is submitted to the University Assessment Committee. These documents present a summary and an analysis of how the candidates' Praxis II test data, ADEPT Exit Portfolio ratings, and Teacher Work Sample outcomes indicate program alignment with the Unit's goals, as well as the South Carolina state standards, specialized professional, and institutional standards. The reports also include narratives describing how the program has made improvements based upon the previous year's analysis of data as well as about the decisions made for modifying instruction to meet current best practices. These reports are evaluated by the University Assessment Committee and shared across the Institution's academic community. As a Unit, the SoEHPH holds a biannual Data Day in which the faculty and administration analyze unit and programmatic assessments to identify trends and implement data-driven changes to curricula. In October 2018, CAEP's Accreditation Council met and granted the School of Education at USC Upstate accreditation at the initial-licensure level. Every April, the SoEHPH submits the CAEP Annual Report to highlight annual outcomes and impact measures, to demonstrate our drive towards continuous improvement. Additionally, the Unit successfully submitted 11 SPA (specialized program assessment) reports in March 2022, and is preparing for a CAEP site visit in Spring 2025.

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