

EDCATS

STUDENT SUCCESS CHECKLIST

Students in Pre-Professional Teacher Education

Complete the following with grades of C or better:

- ✚ Complete with grades of C or better: ENGL 100 & 200 Writing 1 & 2, COMM 106 Public Speaking, Math 100 College Algebra, and STAT 325 Statistics or MATH 160 Concepts of Math
- ✚ Earn credit for EDCI 230 Early Field Experience
- ✚ Maintain a 2.75 GPA in all attempted courses fulfilling degree requirements; in addition a 2.75 is required for secondary content courses including transfer courses.
- ✚ Upon completion of the pre-professional requirements listed above, submit an online application to apply for Admission to Teacher Education (Block A/1 semester). Students are notified by email after approval of application.
 - Priority deadline to submit application is October 1 or February 15

EdCats Central – this site on Canvas will serve as your central location for:

- ✚ Navigating your academic career
- ✚ Announcements and reminder about events and opportunities
- ✚ Program deadlines for the College of Education
- ✚ To upload documents for field experiences and student teaching

New students are added to EdCats Central at the start of their first term

Professionalism Hours

As a part of the educational experiences in the program, students will earn and document a total of 40 professional development hours. The hours are above and beyond the work required for any class. Documentation of hours is due the semester prior to graduation – April 1 or November 1.

Students need to document events/activities under two categories:

Category 1: Learning & Service to the teaching profession- 20 hours

Examples: In-person or virtual speakers, webinars, in-service or conferences; College of Education sponsored speakers or events; Education Symposium; school board meetings; live or prerecorded webinars, podcasts, or videos (EdWeb.net, cultofpedagogy.com, jasonfoundation.com)

Category 2: Service to youth and families- 20 hours

Volunteer or paid activities in the community with organizations providing support for kids and families or the teaching profession.

Examples: mentoring and tutoring in schools and the community; substitute teaching, paraprofessional; coaching; before/after school programs; 4-H, scouts, art programs, Special Olympics, zoo, science and history museums, and education centers.

Refer to EdCats central PD module for details about documenting and submitting professionalism hours.

Students in Professional Teacher Education

Professional blocked semester courses must be taken in sequence and include
Blocks 1/A (offered fall, spring or summer for on-campus students)
Blocks 2/B (offered fall and spring for on-campus students)
Block C (elementary only, fall and spring for on-campus students)
Student Teaching Internship (fall or spring for on-campus students)

On-campus elementary ed majors interested in switching to the online professional program should refer to EdCats Central for Online program information and the sequence of Block A, B and year-long student teaching with Block C classes.

During the professional program, students will

- ✦ Complete a placement form prior to each field experiences in blocks B, C and student teaching.
- ✦ Upload proof of current TB (tuberculosis) test; liability insurance (refer to ECC for information); and First aid CPR (online training will suffice).
- ✦ Complete all Teacher Ed courses and practica with a minimum 3.0 GPA with C or better to be eligible for student teaching.
- ✦ Secondary students must have a 2.75 or higher GPA in content courses to be eligible for student teaching.

Graduation and Commencement

Applications for graduation are submitted through your KSIS Student Center. To ensure all requirements are met, run a DARS – degree audit report on your KSIS Student Center.

Ceremony information is released by the Office of the Registrar mid-semester
www.k-state.edu/graduation/checklist/

Testing and Licensure

Check www.ets.org/praxis/ks for more information about fees, study guides, practice tests, passing scores, and test dates.

To search for test dates, create a user id and password.

Additional study materials available on EdCats Central.

Elementary Ed majors take the Praxis Elementary Ed CKT (4 sub) content tests

Secondary Ed majors take the Praxis content/teaching field test(s).

See COE website for information about applying for a two-year "Initial License" that is issued to beginning teachers in Kansas.

<https://coe.ksu.edu/student-success/licensing-endorsement-assistance/>