

# DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY

## Teacher Education Program

### Program Requirements

Teacher candidates must take and pass two IL State Board of Education (ISBE) approved assessments

1. **IL Content Area Test** (all candidates must earn a passing score by August 30 for spring student teaching and by January 30 for fall student teaching)
2. **edTPA** Teacher Performance Assessment (must be submitted during the student teaching semester)

All education courses presented for licensure must be passed with a C- or better and an overall GPA of 2.75 is required.

### Criteria for Acceptance

Teacher candidates must apply to the Teacher Education Program (TEP) before taking more than three education courses. Admission to the TEP takes place 3 times a year. While candidates may apply year round, applications are specifically due by: March 15, July 15, October 15. Decision notices will be sent by March 30, July 30, and October 30.

#### The following criteria are required for acceptance:

- C- or better in your first education class at Dominican or in transfer.
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.75.
- Clear fingerprint and background check following the steps outlined in the CPS Field Experience Guide.

#### The CPS Field Experience Registration requests the following information:

- Coordinator Name: Bridget Burns
- Coordinator Contact Number: (708) 524-6806
- Coordinator E-mail Address: brburns@dom.edu
- Name of CPS Placement School: Unknown

You will receive an email Approval Notice from CPS. Please save that email, you may need to show your Approval Notice to the CPS school.

Upload a screenshot of the CPS Approval Notice on the online application. If you have any questions about your application, please email Monica Halloran at mhallora@dom.edu.

### Application Process

- Set up a licensure account (ELIS) at the Illinois State Board of Education website to obtain an Illinois Educator Identification Number (IEIN).
- Complete the Teacher Education Program Online Application. When you are finished with the application, a confirmation will be sent to your email for your records.
- After receiving notification of your acceptance into the TEP with a formal letter, you should complete a Declaration of Major form which can be obtained from the Student Success and Engagement Office.

### Continuation in Program

The following criteria are required in order to continue as a candidate in the Teacher Education Program:

- Cumulative GPA of 2.75; Education GPA of 2.75
- A minimum grade of C- in all courses presented for licensure
- Acceptable dispositions ratings

A candidate who does not meet the above requirements is subject to the School of Education's candidate intervention/remediation process. As part of that process, candidates and their advisors will develop a plan to support the candidate in addressing the criteria above that are not satisfied. If the plan is not successfully met, the candidate may be withdrawn from the program.

### Admission to Clinical Practice Student Teaching

Students must meet the following criteria in order to be eligible for clinical practice:

The Content Test(s) for your licensure area must be taken and passed by August 30 for Spring Clinical Practice and by January 30 for Fall Clinical Practice. You can register and get more information at ICTS Testing Service: <http://www.icts.nesinc.com/>

#### The following prerequisites for placement are necessary:

- Completion of education courses specified in your program
- Minimum grade of C- in all courses presented for licensure
- At least 75 field experience hours are completed and no more than 25 hours are in process during the term in which you are applying
- Cumulative GPA of 2.75; Education GPA of 2.75
- Approval of your education advisor