Bachelor of Arts in Teaching: English Education 2023-2024 Assessment Report

Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts in Teaching Drama Education, English Education, French Education, German Education, Spanish Education, and Social Studies Education is a relatively new degree program in education, approved in 2018, leading to licensure in the respective content areas (K-12 in foreign languages or 7-12 in Drama, English, and Social Studies). The programs focus on developing reflective practitioners based on the constructivist perspective that teachers are life-long learners, reflective practitioners, and scholar researchers. The coursework is designed to develop these attributes so that students graduate as effective teachers withthe knowledge, skills, and dispositions to engage all students with meaningful and authentic instruction.

Students are classified as Pre-BAT students the first two years of their undergraduate careers. Students apply for admission to the BAT in the fall semester of their junior year. 36 students were admitted to the BAT program for 2023-2024 with additional students admitted as pre-BAT (sophomores/juniors). Following the first six graduates of the program in 2021, 36 students graduated in spring 2024.

The Bachelor of Arts in Teacher Education program goals are based on the Four Domains of the Danielson Framework for Teaching (TESS—Teacher Evaluation Student Success), CAEP accreditation standards, and the COEHP conceptual framework:

- 1. *Knowledgeable about Content and Pedagogy:* Candidates will possess general knowledge, content knowledge, pedagogical knowledge, and professional knowledge to be effective preservice educators. They must know how to access, use, and generate knowledge. In order to be current, they must be inquiring and up to date on new knowledge in their content, pedagogy, and school systems.
- 2. Skillful in Practice: Candidates will be skillful in the pedagogy required to be an effective preservice educator as demonstrated through planning, implementing, and modeling best practices including best technology practices.
- 3. Supportive in Developing the Whole Student: Candidates will create a caring learning environment for all students. This will include being caring, supportive, and responsive to the diverse backgrounds students bring to the classroom and school. The ability to communicate and collaborate with groups of colleagues and others who contribute to the student's education such as families and communities is also essential.
- 4. *Professional in Actions:* Candidates will inquire and seek to improve their practice through participation in professional communities. This involves staying current with educational research and working with appropriate professional organizations to better their profession. The candidates will demonstrate ethical behavior in all aspects of their multi-faceted career.

Note: TESS assessment data on the current year's completers was not available at the time of this report.

Projected Assessment Plan for the BAT Programs of Study: English Education

Learning Outcomes	Evidence	Data Collection for 2024
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Knowledgeable about Content and	GPA Senior Year	Cumulative GPA
Pedagogy	Praxis II Content Test	Status as of this report
Skillful in Practice	Mid-Point Assessment	Obtain supervisor teacher
	(TESS) spring semester	evaluation of teaching after first 8
	senior year	weeks of teaching internship
Supportive in Developing the Whole	Summative Formal	Obtain mentor teacher evaluation
Student	Assessment (TESS) spring	of teaching after second 8 weeks
	semester senior year	of teaching internship
Professional in Actions	Average domain on all four	Report from Office of Teacher
	TESS domains of 2.0 and	Education
	above in order to complete	
	their program.	

Learning	Result of Analysis	Program Changes	Changes to Assessment
Outcomes		Based on Analysis	Process
Knowledgeable about Content and Pedagogy	Cumulative GPA: 3.68 Praxis Results: 12/13 students have passed test; one chose to pursue an advanced degree in an unrelated field.	No changes recommended. Since the focus on content derives from courses in Arts and Sciences and aligns with the requirements for a BA, any changes would be conducted in collaboration with the respective departments in Arts and Sciences and the Arkansas Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.	No changes recommended. Advisors will monitor student progress in their content area courses and recommendations will be made for students regarding tutoring or other resources to assist them if needed. Students will also be encouraged to take advantage of the Praxis study materials provided by the Office of Teacher Education.
Skillful in Practice	TESS Scores were not available at the report time.	More focus on involving students in professional development and reflective practices in SEED 3283, the practicum course, in which students spend 30 hours of on-site observation. Students will be encouraged to join Educators Rising or become members of Kappa Delta Pi. They will be required to attend at least one PD opportunity and one Parent Conference during their Practicum.	Students are scoring well-above the rate of passing (2.0). Without this year's data, it's hard to draw any further conclusions.

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Supportive in	TESS Domains	We will continue to	No changes; data will continue to
Developing	Current data not	provide data for the SEED	be collected during SEED 4285 at
the Whole	available in time for	4022 (Classroom	mid-point and at the culmination
Student	the report.	Management) and SEED 3283 instructors so that they can adjust their syllabi to address any criteria where scores are	of the internship to assess student development in all domains. Mid- point data will be shared with mentors. Calibration will be addressed for supervisors and
		lower than 3.0 (Domain Three).	mentors.
Professional in Actions	TESS Domains Current data not available.	Anyone with cumulative scores below 2.0 are not recommended for licensure. All students scored higher than 2.0 in the 2021-2022 cohort.	