

Childhood Education BSE

2021-2022

Annual Academic Assessment Report

Results of analysis of assessment of Student Learning Outcome

(Report results of your assessment for the past year. These should be related to the plan that was provided last year in the annual assessment report and plan.)

| Outcome and Evidence | Data Collected |
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| Knowledgeable about Content and Pedagogy <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. GPA of at least 3.0 Spring 20222. Praxis II: Content Knowledge Exam passing scores for licensure3. Graduated CHED BSE Spring 2022 | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 58/58 candidates demonstrated a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.2. 52/58 candidates took and passed Praxis II Content Knowledge Exam (an 89% pass rate) by May 1st, 2022.3. 57/58 candidates completed program of study. |
| Skillful in Practice <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Mid-program Assessment2. Lesson Plan with Mentor Teacher | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 54/58 candidates completed the mid-program assessment. All 54 passed. Overall, students obtained a mean score of 33.06 out of a possible 52 points with 21 set as a passing score.2. 54/58 candidates worked with a Mentor teacher to plan a lesson and implement it in a public-school classroom. A video of the lesson, a lesson plan and responses regarding planning and reflection questions were submitted to Blackboard and evaluated by faculty. |
| Supportive in Developing the Whole Student <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lesson Plan(s) with Mentor Teacher2. Educator Disposition Assessment | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 54/58 candidates worked with a Mentor teacher to plan a lesson and implement it in a public-school classroom. A video of the lesson, a lesson plan and responses regarding planning and reflection questions were submitted to Blackboard and evaluated by faculty.1. The EDA assessments data for CHED seniors were not available or not completed by faculty. <p>5/24/2022</p> |

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| <p>Professional in Actions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mid-program Assessment 2. Educator Disposition Assessment | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. 54/58 candidates completed the mid-program assessment. All 54 passed, with a median score of 33 out of a total of 52 possible points. 3. The EDA assessments data for CHED seniors were not available or not completed by faculty. <p>5/24/2022</p> |
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Limited opportunities for clinical experiences occurred this school year with no practicum experiences planned for Fall 2021 and limited time available for Spring 2022. The data collected is not as comprehensive as we would like so faculty have begun working with the Director of Field Placement to assist in the process of school selection moving forward to students can begin the practicum experience more quickly. The CHED program faculty will continue to monitor trends in data through the CAEP accreditation process.

The pass rate for the Praxis II: Content Knowledge Exam demonstrated was 89% pass rate a slight decrease from last year from 95%. Program faculty monitored student pass rates beginning in February with the assistance of Janelle Fox and the Office of Teacher Education (Myra Haulmark). Faculty created tutoring sessions for candidates and a Zoom prep session was offered through the Arkansas Department of Education. The majority of candidates who do not pass on the first attempt are not passing the Science or Social Studies subtests. UA candidates continue to exceed state pass rates on the exams.

The EPP continued administering the Educator Disposition Assessment with limited scores available this year. It seems faculty need more guidance and alerts to consistently report this data. The program coordinator along with other faculty will work with the Office of Teacher Education to develop ways to increase the data collected so that it represents all students. This is an area to monitor as additional data are collected.

Program Changes based on Data Analysis

Due to disruptions in the data collection process and the unique circumstances of the pandemic, faculty continued to explore opportunities to implement best practice in alignment with research and literature in educator preparation and clinical practice. We are hopeful that more courses offered in a Professional Development School beyond the internship, will improve scores on the mid-point assessment related to planning as well as in classroom management and instruction practices.

Although CAEP and ADE DESE removed requirements for a basic skills assessment for program admission in 2021, our program decided to maintain the basic skills requirement for CHED BSE. For CHED BSE the basic skills measures in Reading, Mathematics, and Writing are

indicators that candidates have content knowledge to teach elementary school and are an indicator that they are likely to be successful on the licensure assessments. The basic skills are prerequisites to our pedagogy and methods coursework in Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies.

Changes to Assessment Process

The program began collecting professional disposition data using the Educator's Disposition Assessment (EDA) in Blackboard. A Blackboard community was created in 2019-2020 to streamline communication and data collection for program candidates but there continue to be missing data from faculty. More work is needed to improve the completion rate of EDA and TESS score data. The Mid-program assessment was piloted using Blackboard in Spring 2021 but returned to the traditional assessment and all students submitted their work (video, lesson plan, responses to planning and reflection prompts) to Blackboard with very good success. Faculty have plans to review this data in the Fall, to make improvements in the process and note areas that should be emphasized in our methods classes. The program will continue to utilize the continuous improvement process put in place for CAEP accreditation.

Academic Assessment Plan

Program Goals (3-4)

The Childhood Education Bachelor of Science in Education (CHEDBS) program in the College of Education and Health Professions is based on the belief that educators must

1. use and model best practices;
2. approach learning as developmental and life-long;
3. practice on the basis of professional standards and ethical conduct; and
4. honor diversity.

Student Learning Outcomes (6-8)

(Student Learning Outcomes are defined in terms of the knowledge, skills, and abilities that students will know and be able to do as a result of completing a program. These student learning outcomes are directly linked to the accomplishment of the program goals.)

1. *Knowledgeable about Content and Pedagogy:* Candidates will possess general knowledge, content knowledge, pedagogical knowledge, and professional knowledge to be effective pre-service 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 pre-service 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.

Process for Assessing each Student Learning Outcome

(A process must be defined and documented to regularly assess student learning and achievement of student learning outcomes. The results of the assessment must be utilized as input for the improvement of the program.)

Timeline for assessment and analysis

Each outcome is measured at the end of the Spring term in the Senior year before graduation.

Means of assessment and desired level of student achievement

(Must include at least one direct and one indirect method of assessment for each learning outcome.)

Knowledgeable about Content and Pedagogy

1. GPA of at least 3.0
 - a. GPAs are monitored at program admission and at the end of each term after candidates are admitted.
 - b. Any candidate whose GPA falls below a 3.0 is notified that they are on probation with the program and is assigned a faculty mentor.
 - c. The 3.0 GPA at graduation is required for admission to grad school for the ELED MAT.
2. Praxis II: Content Knowledge Exam passing scores for licensure
 - a. Candidates are required to pass the Praxis II Elementary Education Multiple Subjects test that measures Reading/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies content knowledge. This exam is required for initial K-6 licensure in Arkansas and the program requires the assessment prior to the yearlong internship.
 - b. Candidates are expected to pass all four parts of the test by April 1st in the spring before graduation from the CHED BSE as a condition for admission to the ELED MAT and graduate school.

Skillful in Practice

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 - b. Candidates submit the assessment in March in their final semester of the CHED BSE and the assessment is scored by program faculty. The results of the assessment are shared with the faculty liaison for the yearlong internship if the candidate continues in the program to the CHED MAT.
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2. Educator Disposition Assessment were not completed by faculty at a rate that yielded meaningful data. Work on improving this task will be a focus for next year.
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