

WHAT THE CANDIDATE NEEDS TO DO FOR ADMISSION INTO THE GRADUATE LEVEL INITIAL LICENSURE PROGRAM:

**Visit with a Teacher Licensure Advisor**

Visit one of our advisors to learn about this program and to learn about prerequisite content and "Phase I" requirements. Advising dates and times are posted at <http://www.cehs.wright.edu/ss>. If you are completing/have completed one of WSU's bachelor degree programs that are designed to deliver content knowledge, then you have completed all the necessary content requirements. If you are coming to us from another institution or another WSU program, we want to discuss how to get your transcripts reviewed for content requirements and what Praxis II Specialty Area exam(s) will be required prior to beginning the program (foreign language candidates can take the OPI/WPT exams as a substitute). You will submit a form, which verifies you have met the college's requirements for content completion and pre-requisite "Phase I" education courses and experiences as a part of your program application. Note – regardless of where you completed your content course and any preliminary "Phase I" education courses, those courses require a grade of "C" or better.

**Apply for Admission to the University**

If you have already completed your content courses and have passed the required Praxis II Specialty Area exam(s), or will soon, then you should apply to the university's School of Graduate Studies, E344 Student Union. (937) 775-2976. Obtain the application from the School of Graduate Studies, or apply on-line (or print an application) from the School of Graduate Studies Web site at <http://www.wright.edu/sogs>.

- a. Check "degree seeking" and "M.Ed." on the application.
  - b. Complete the admissions application requesting the Classroom Teacher Program (that's the name of the degree). The abbreviations you should use on the application are – CTMULTI-MED (for the Multi-Age license), CTAYA-MED (for the Adolescent to Young Adult license), CTMIDCH-MED (for the Middle Childhood license). It will be helpful to put your teaching subject area in parentheses after the program name – for example CTAYA-MED (Biology), CTMIDCH-MED (Math & Sci.), CTMULTI-MED (French).
- c. Return the completed application to the School of Graduate Studies (E344 Student Union, 775-2976).

If you need to take prerequisite content courses and/or pre-requisite "Phase I" education courses and experiences, you are advised to apply to the university's Undergraduate Admissions office, E148 Student Union, (937) 775-5700. This will permit you to take undergraduate content courses and be charged the undergraduate tuition rate. If you take the same courses as a graduate student, you will be charged at the graduate student tuition rate. You can apply on-line at <http://www.wright.edu/admissions>. Indicate on the application that you wish to be a "licensure candidate". Complete the application requesting the MULTILIC-PRE if your goal is to obtain the Multi-Age license (Art, French, Spanish), CTAYA-PRE if your goal is to obtain the Adolescent to Young Adult license (English, Math, Biology, Social Studies, etc.), or CTMIDCH-PRE if your goal is to obtain the Middle Childhood license (Math & Science, Social Studies & English, etc.). It is helpful to put your teaching subject area(s) in parenthesis after the program name, (see examples above). **Remember – you need to eventually apply as a degree seeking graduate student in order to be considered for one of the two start dates of this program.**

**Apply for Admission to the Licensure Program**

- a. Visit the program Web site ([http://www.cehs.wright.edu/tedgrad\\_app](http://www.cehs.wright.edu/tedgrad_app)) and print the current Program application form. If needed, you can obtain an application form from our office. (We always prefer that you obtain forms from our Web site, which helps us with printing and postage costs.)
- b. Complete the application form.
- c. Return the completed application to the CEHS Office of Student Services, 378 Allyn Hall, attention Chris Murphy. Turn in any parts of the application you have completed. You need not wait until you have completed every item of the application. This allows us to start a file for you and gives us a visual cue that you are interested in the program.

**Apply for your public school placement via Tk20** (in anticipation of being accepted into the program) with the Office of Professional Field Experiences (OPFE) before the deadline posted on their Web site at [http://www.cehs.wright.edu/studentinfo/field\\_experience/index.php](http://www.cehs.wright.edu/studentinfo/field_experience/index.php)

**Take the Praxis II Specialty Area Exam (or the OPI/WPT exams if you are a foreign language candidate)**

Students will need to submit a satisfactory score on the Praxis II Specialty Area exam in your teaching field as a condition of admission (foreign language candidates can take the OPI/WPT exams as a substitute). Please check with the CEHS Office of Student Services at 775-3086 to learn which Praxis II exam you will be required to take. Contact University Testing Services, 180 University Hall (775-5771), if you need test registration information. Praxis registration information and study guides (*Tests At A Glance*) are also available from the Praxis Web site <http://www.ets.org/praxis/> as well as from the college's Educational Resource Center, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Allyn Hall. Foreign language candidates are encouraged to take the OPI/WPT exams instead of the Praxis II exam in Spanish or French. OPI/WPT testing information is available at [www.languagetesting.com](http://www.languagetesting.com).

**Note: The state of Ohio requires all students to successfully complete the Principles of Learning and Teaching Assessment and a Specialty Area exam(s) before being recommended for licensure.**

**Register for Classes**

When the School of Graduate Studies or the Undergraduate Admissions office has approved you for admission, you may register for prerequisite content courses identified by our advisors. You may register for the program courses when our faculty approves your licensure program application. **Note: school placement start dates are based on the public school's calendar, not the university's start date.**

**Complete the Interview**

Candidates for the Licensure Program may be scheduled for a personal interview. The interview will be scheduled upon the completion of our evaluation of your transcripts and the determination of your eligibility. You will initiate the request for an interview by returning the request form in your application. Personal contacts will be made at the postal address, WSU email address and/or phone numbers provided. Please notify us of any change in contact information. All content courses and pre-requisite "Phase I" education courses and experiences must be completed (with a "C" or better) and you must have an application pending with the School of Graduate Studies to be eligible for an interview.

## College of Education and Human Services Graduate Level Teacher Prep Program

Persons with a bachelor's degree from an approved college or university who wish to work towards an Adolescent/Young Adult, Middle Childhood, or Multi Age teaching license in an intensive, professional program and who are able to make a full-time commitment for twelve to fifteen months may be eligible for participation in a program offered by Wright State University. Upon successful completion of the prescribed program, including the required content coursework and pre-requisite "Phase I" education courses and experiences (with a "C" or better), Praxis II exams (Specialty Area and appropriate Principles of Learning & Teaching exam) or the OPI/WPT exams for foreign language candidates, the student may be eligible to apply for an initial Ohio License. The state of Ohio requires licensure applicants to pass a BCCI and FBI background check. A Master's of Education degree in Classroom Teaching may be earned after successfully completing an Inquiry Project.

Candidates will take most courses as a cohort group regardless of teaching field. University classes will be held Monday through Friday. The program has an intensive field component and at least half of each day will be spent in public school classrooms. State of Ohio standards mandate that students have field experiences in culturally diverse settings. **Note: school placement start dates are based on the public school's calendar, not the university's start date.**

The professional sequence consists of five steps: *Step I* is an introductory phase that acquaints the candidate with the profession of teaching, the personal qualifications required, the interrelationship of school and society, learning theories and classroom management; *Steps II and III* emphasizes teaching skills and focus on the curriculum and materials required in the candidate's teaching field; *Step IV* combines full-time teaching internship with a professional seminar; *Step V* consists of additional courses taken after the internship as well as the completion of an Inquiry Project.

To be eligible for this program, the student must have completed appropriate content coursework and pre-requisite "Phase I" education courses and experiences (with a "C" or better) in your teaching field prior to admission to the program. Additional requirements include a 2.7 undergraduate grade point average (GPA) and passing scores on the state mandated Praxis II Specialty Area exam(s) or the OPI/WPT exams for foreign language candidates. Consult with the college's Office of Student Services for advising. Petitions to be admitted with less than a 2.7 GPA and/or low scores can be submitted with your graduate school application.

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Persons with a 3.0 or better undergraduate GPA may qualify for financial assistance from our Graduate Tuition Scholarship program. If you are interested in learning more about scholarship criteria and eligibility, please visit our Web site at:

<http://www.cehs.wright.edu/gradscholar>

### **Important Dates**

Summer/Fall School of Graduate Studies Application Deadline	March 1
Summer/Fall Teacher Ed Program Application Deadline (this application)	March 1
Summer/Fall Office of Prof. Field Experience Tk20 Application Deadline <a href="http://www.cehs.wright.edu/studentinfo/field_experience/index.php">http://www.cehs.wright.edu/studentinfo/field_experience/index.php</a>	1 <sup>st</sup> week of Spring Qtr.
Summer/Fall Praxis last test date registration Visit - <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis">http://www.ets.org/praxis</a> , for the exact date	Early December (for the January test)
Winter Quarter School of Graduate Studies Application Deadline	October 1
Winter Quarter Teacher Ed Program Application Deadline (this application)	October 1
Winter Quarter Office of Prof. Field Experience Tk20 Application Deadline <a href="http://www.cehs.wright.edu/studentinfo/field_experience/index.php">http://www.cehs.wright.edu/studentinfo/field_experience/index.php</a>	1 <sup>st</sup> week of Fall Qtr.
Winter Quarter Praxis last test date registration Visit - <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis">http://www.ets.org/praxis</a> , for the exact date	Late June (for the August test)

- Note regarding Praxis scores – You will be the first to receive a score report. Even if you indicated that a report should be sent to WSU, bring your original score report into the Student Services office in 378 Allyn Hall. WSU does not receive a report in the format that you do: your scores are transmitted electronically and downloaded into the university's student information system. The School of Graduate Studies requests that we interpret the score(s) for them. They request we make a copy of your original score report, mark it that we "saw the original", indicate that you passed, then date and sign it. We will make an additional copy for our file and send a copy to the School of Graduate Studies for you.

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