



Northwestern State University  
Traditional Report AY 2023-24  
Louisiana



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## Institution Information

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Academic year](#)
- [IPEDS ID](#)

### IPEDS ID

160038

THIS INSTITUTION HAS NO IPEDS ID

IF NO IPEDS ID, PLEASE PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION

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# List of Programs

List each program for an initial teaching credential below and indicate whether it is offered at the Undergraduate level (UG), Postgraduate level (PG), or both. ([§205\(a\)\(C\)](#))

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- [Teacher Preparation Program](#)

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>> [List of Programs](#)

## List of Programs

**Note:** This section is preloaded with the list of programs reported in the prior year's IPRC.

CIP Code	Teacher Preparation Programs	UG, PG, or Both	Update
13.121	Early Childhood Education	UG	
13.1202	Elementary Education	UG	
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	UG	
13.1303	Teacher Education - Business	UG	
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	UG	
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	UG	
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	UG	
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	UG	
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	UG	
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	UG	

**Total number of teacher preparation programs:**

11

# Program Requirements

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

- >> [Undergraduate Requirements](#)
- >> [Postgraduate Requirements](#)
- >> [Supervised Clinical Experience](#)

Check the elements required for admission (entry) into and completion (exit) from the program. If programs are offered at the undergraduate level and postgraduate level, complete the table for both types of programs. [\(\\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(i\)\)](#)

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Full-time equivalent faculty supervising clinical experience](#)
- [Adjunct faculty supervising clinical experience](#)
- [Cooperating Teachers/PreK-12 Staff Supervising Clinical Experience](#)
- [Supervised clinical experience](#)

## Undergraduate Requirements

**Note:** This section is preloaded from the prior year's IPRC.

1. Are there initial teacher certification programs at the undergraduate level?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, for each element listed below, indicate if it is required for admission into or exit from any of your teacher preparation program(s) at the undergraduate level. If no, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)) then click save at the bottom of the page.

Element	Admission	Completion
Transcript	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Fingerprint check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Background check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum ACT score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum SAT score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum basic skills test score	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Recommendation(s)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Element	Admission	Completion
Essay or personal statement	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Interview	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Other Specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

2. What is the minimum GPA required for admission into the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

2.5

3. What is the minimum GPA required for completing the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

2.5

4. Please provide any additional information about the information provided above:

## Postgraduate Requirements

**Note:** This section is preloaded from the prior year's IPRC.

1. Are there initial teacher certification programs at the postgraduate level?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, for each element listed below, indicate if it is required for admission into or exit from any of your teacher preparation program(s) at the postgraduate level. If no, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)) then click save at the bottom of the page.

Element	Admission	Completion
Transcript	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Fingerprint check	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Background check	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum ACT score	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum SAT score	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Minimum basic skills test score	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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Element	Admission	Completion
Recommendation(s)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Essay or personal statement	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Interview	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Other Specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

2. What is the minimum GPA required for admission into the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

3. What is the minimum GPA required for completing the program? (Leave blank if you indicated that a minimum GPA is not required in the table above.)

4. Please provide any additional information about the information provided above:

## Supervised Clinical Experience

**Note:** The clinical experience requirements in this section are preloaded from the prior year's IPRC. Teacher preparation providers will enter the number of participants each year.

Provide the following information about supervised clinical experience in 2023-24. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(iii\)](#), [§205\(a\)\(1\)\(C\)\(iv\)](#))

Are there programs with student teaching models?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, provide the next two responses. If no, leave them blank.

### Programs with student teaching models (most traditional programs)

Number of clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to student teaching

Number of clock hours required for student teaching

Are there programs in which candidates are the teacher of record?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, provide the next two responses. If no, leave them blank.

### Programs in which candidates are the teacher of record in a classroom during the program (many alternative programs)

Number of clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to teaching as the teacher of record in a classroom

Years required of teaching as the teacher of record in a classroom

### All Programs

Number of full-time equivalent faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE staff)

[Optional tool](#) for automatically calculating full-time equivalent faculty in the system

Number of adjunct faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE staff)

Number of cooperating teachers/K-12 staff supervising clinical experience during this academic year

Number of students in supervised clinical experience during this academic year

**Please provide any additional information about or descriptions of the supervised clinical experiences:**

The number of full time equivalent faculty and the number of full time equivalent adjunct faculty was calculated in head count as indicated by Louisiana Guide to Complete the Westat Title II Institution and Program Report Card. Adjunct faculty were counted as 1 FTE. The average clock hours were calculated based on the final semester of the two-semester Residency that candidates are now required to complete.

# Enrollment and Program Completers

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

>> [Enrollment and Program Completers](#)

In each of the following categories, provide the total number of individuals enrolled in teacher preparation programs for an initial teaching credential and the subset of individuals enrolled who also completed the program during the academic year.

**(§205(a)(1)(C)(ii))**

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Enrolled Student](#)
- [Program Completer](#)

## Enrollment and Program Completers

2023-24 Total	
Total Number of Individuals Enrolled	129
Subset of Program Completers	35

Gender	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
Male	35	13
Female	94	22
No Gender Reported	0	0
Race/Ethnicity	Total Enrolled	Subset of Program Completers
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	0
Asian	1	0
Black or African American	18	1
Hispanic/Latino of any race	15	2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0
White	79	28
Two or more races	6	2

**Race/Ethnicity**

**Total Enrolled**

**Subset of Program Completers**

**No Race/Ethnicity Reported**

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# Teachers Prepared

On this page, enter the number of program completers by the subject area in which they were prepared to teach, and by their academic majors. Note that an individual can be counted in more than one academic major and subject area. For example, if an individual is prepared to teach Elementary Education and Mathematics, that individual should be counted in both subject areas. If no individuals were prepared in a particular academic major or subject area, you may leave the cell blank. Please use the "Other" category sparingly, if there is no similar subject area or academic major listed. In these cases, you should use the text box to describe the subject area(s) and/or the academic major(s) counted in the "Other" category.

If your IHE offers both traditional and alternative programs, be sure to enter the program completers in the appropriate reports. For the traditional report, provide only the program completers in traditional programs within the IHE. For the alternative report, provide only the program completers for the alternative programs within the IHE.

After entering the teachers prepared data, save the page using the floating save box at the bottom of the page.

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Academic Major](#)

## THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

- >> [Teachers Prepared by Subject Area](#)
- >> [Teachers Prepared by Academic Major](#)

## Teachers Prepared by Subject Area

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by subject area for academic year 2023-24.

For the purposes of this section, number prepared means the number of program completers. "Subject area" refers to the subject area(s) an individual has been prepared to teach. An individual can be counted in more than one subject area. If no individuals were prepared in a particular subject area, please leave that cell blank. ([§205\(b\)\(1\)\(H\)](#))

### What are CIP Codes?

No teachers prepared in academic year 2023-24

If your program has no teachers prepared, check the box above and leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

What are CIP codes? The Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) provides a taxonomic scheme that supports the accurate tracking and reporting of fields of study and program completions activity. CIP was originally developed by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) in 1980, with revisions occurring in 1985, 1990, and 2000 (<https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/Default.aspx?y=55>).

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.10	Teacher Education - Special Education	<input type="text"/>
13.1202	Teacher Education - Elementary Education	8 <input type="text"/>

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.1203	Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	<input type="text"/>
13.1210	Teacher Education - Early Childhood Education	2
13.1301	Teacher Education - Agriculture	<input type="text"/>
13.1302	Teacher Education - Art	<input type="text"/>
13.1303	Teacher Education - Business	1
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	2
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	<input type="text"/>
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	3
13.1308	Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	<input type="text"/>
13.1309	Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	<input type="text"/>
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	2
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	16
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	3
13.1315	Teacher Education - Reading	<input type="text"/>
13.1316	Teacher Education - Science Teacher Education/General Science	<input type="text"/>
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Science	<input type="text"/>
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	1
13.1320	Teacher Education - Trade and Industrial	<input type="text"/>
13.1321	Teacher Education - Computer Science	<input type="text"/>
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	<input type="text"/>
13.1323	Teacher Education - Chemistry	<input type="text"/>
13.1324	Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	<input type="text"/>
13.1328	Teacher Education - History	<input type="text"/>
13.1329	Teacher Education - Physics	<input type="text"/>
13.1331	Teacher Education - Speech	<input type="text"/>

CIP Code	Subject Area	Number Prepared
13.1337	Teacher Education - Earth Science	<input type="text"/>
13.14	Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	<input type="text"/>
13.99	Education - Other Specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Teachers Prepared by Academic Major

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by academic major for academic year 2023-24. For the purposes of this section, number prepared means the number of program completers. "Academic major" refers to the actual major(s) declared by the program completer. An individual can be counted in more than one academic major. If no individuals were prepared in a particular academic major, please leave that cell blank. ([§205\(b\)\(1\)\(H\)](#))

Please note that the list of majors includes several "Teacher Education" majors, as well as several noneducation majors. Please use care in entering your majors to ensure education-specific majors and non-education majors are counted correctly. For example, if an individual majored in Chemistry, that individual should be counted in the "Chemistry" academic major category rather than the "Teacher Education–Chemistry" category.

### [What are CIP Codes?](#)

Does this teacher preparation provider grant degrees upon completion of its programs?

- Yes  
 No

No teachers prepared in academic year 2023-24

If this provider does not grant participants a degree upon completion, or has no teachers prepared, leave the table below blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
13.10	Teacher Education - Special Education	<input type="text"/>
13.1202	Teacher Education - Elementary Education	8
13.1203	Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	<input type="text"/>
13.1210	Teacher Education - Early Childhood Education	2
13.1301	Teacher Education - Agriculture	<input type="text"/>
13.1302	Teacher Education - Art	<input type="text"/>
13.1303	Teacher Education - Business	1
13.1305	Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	2
13.1306	Teacher Education - Foreign Language	<input type="text"/>
13.1307	Teacher Education - Health	3

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
13.1308	Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	<input type="text"/>
13.1309	Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	<input type="text"/>
13.1311	Teacher Education - Mathematics	2
13.1312	Teacher Education - Music	16
13.1314	Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	3
13.1315	Teacher Education - Reading	<input type="text"/>
13.1316	Teacher Education - General Science	<input type="text"/>
13.1317	Teacher Education - Social Science	<input type="text"/>
13.1318	Teacher Education - Social Studies	1
13.1320	Teacher Education - Trade and Industrial	<input type="text"/>
13.1321	Teacher Education - Computer Science	<input type="text"/>
13.1322	Teacher Education - Biology	<input type="text"/>
13.1323	Teacher Education - Chemistry	<input type="text"/>
13.1324	Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	<input type="text"/>
13.1328	Teacher Education - History	<input type="text"/>
13.1329	Teacher Education - Physics	<input type="text"/>
13.1331	Teacher Education - Speech	<input type="text"/>
13.1337	Teacher Education - Earth Science	<input type="text"/>
13.14	Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	<input type="text"/>
13.99	Education - Other Specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
01	Agriculture	<input type="text"/>
03	Natural Resources and Conservation	<input type="text"/>
05	Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	<input type="text"/>
09	Communication or Journalism	<input type="text"/>

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
11	Computer and Information Sciences	<input type="text"/>
12	Personal and Culinary Services	<input type="text"/>
14	Engineering	<input type="text"/>
16	Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	<input type="text"/>
19	Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences	<input type="text"/>
21	Technology Education/Industrial Arts	<input type="text"/>
22	Legal Professions and Studies	<input type="text"/>
23	English Language/Literature	<input type="text"/>
24	Liberal Arts/Humanities	<input type="text"/>
25	Library Science	<input type="text"/>
26	Biological and Biomedical Sciences	<input type="text"/>
27	Mathematics and Statistics	<input type="text"/>
30	Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	<input type="text"/>
38	Philosophy and Religious Studies	<input type="text"/>
40	Physical Sciences	<input type="text"/>
41	Science Technologies/Technicians	<input type="text"/>
42	Psychology	<input type="text"/>
44	Public Administration and Social Service Professions	<input type="text"/>
45	Social Sciences	<input type="text"/>
46	Construction	<input type="text"/>
47	Mechanic and Repair Technologies	<input type="text"/>
50	Visual and Performing Arts	<input type="text"/>
51	Health Professions and Related Clinical Sciences	<input type="text"/>
52	Business/Management/Marketing	<input type="text"/>
54	History	<input type="text"/>

CIP Code	Academic Major	Number Prepared
99	Other Specify: <input data-bbox="289 121 1260 163" type="text"/>	<input data-bbox="1292 90 1568 132" type="text"/>

# Program Assurances

THIS PAGE INCLUDES:

>> [Program Assurances](#)

Respond to the following assurances. Teacher preparation programs should be prepared to provide documentation and evidence, when requested, to support the following assurances. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(iii\)](#); [§206\(b\)](#))

## Program Assurances

**Note:** This section is preloaded from the prior year's IPRC.

1. Program preparation responds to the identified needs of the local educational agencies or States where the program completers are likely to teach, based on past hiring and recruitment trends.

- Yes  
 No

2. Preparation is closely linked with the needs of schools and the instructional decisions new teachers face in the classroom.

- Yes  
 No

3. Prospective special education teachers are prepared in core academic subjects and to instruct in core academic subjects.

- Yes  
 No  
 Program does not prepare special education teachers

4. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to students with disabilities.

- Yes  
 No

5. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to limited English proficient students.

- Yes  
 No

6. Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to students from low-income families.

- Yes  
 No

7. Prospective teachers are prepared to effectively teach in urban and rural schools, as applicable.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your institution's most successful strategies in meeting the assurances listed above:

Continued collaboration with LEAs and State DoE. Candidates enrolled in traditional undergraduate programs complete an average of 280-hours field and clinical experiences prior to residency across their certification grade band. Field experiences and clinical practice are monitored throughout the program to ensure diversity of experiences in type of school, SES, as well as ethnicity, and through working with students of all exceptionalities.



# Annual Goals: Mathematics

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route teacher preparation program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.

[\(§205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), §205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), §206\(a\)\)](#)

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- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

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- >> [Review Current Year's Goal \(2024-25\)](#)
- >> [Set Next Year's Goal \(2025-26\)](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2023-24)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2023-24?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2023-24 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

We will continue to strive to enroll at least 3 new candidates. We will continue to work with the Math department to collaborate about dual majors.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- Yes  
 No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

Recruiting events were attended such as Freshman connection and N-side View. Meetings were conducted with the math department head to attract dual majors as well as planning for a 4+1 alt. cert. program.

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Review Current Year's Goal (2024-25)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in mathematics in 2024-25? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

We have continued to strive to enroll at least 3 new candidates. We will work with Math department to collaborate about recruiting dual majors and 4=1 alt. cert students.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2025-26)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2025-26? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

We will continue to strive to enroll at least 3 new candidates. We will work with Math department to collaborate about recruiting dual majors and 4=1 alt. cert students.

# Annual Goals: Science

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route teacher preparation program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.

[\(§205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), §205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), §206\(a\)\)](#)

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## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2023-24)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in science in 2023-24?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2023-24 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

We will continue to work toward enrolling a minimum of 2 new teacher candidates in the area of science. We will partner with the School of STEM.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- Yes  
 No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

Attended recruiting events throughout the state.

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Review Current Year's Goal (2024-25)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in science in 2024-25? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

We are continuing to work toward enrolling a minimum of 2 new teacher candidates in the area of science. We are partnering with the School of STEM and the biology department about implementing a 4+1 program for potential biology majors.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2025-26)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in science in 2025-26? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

We are continuing to work toward enrolling a minimum of 2 new teacher candidates in the area of science. We are partnering with the School of STEM and the biology department about implementing a 4+1 program for potential biology majors.

## Annual Goals: Special Education

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route teacher preparation program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.

[\(§205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), §205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), §206\(a\)\)](#)

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## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2023-24)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in special education in 2023-24?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2023-24 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- Yes  
 No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Review Current Year's Goal (2024-25)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in special education in 2024-25? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2025-26)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in special education in 2025-26? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

# Annual Goals: Instruction of Limited English Proficient Students

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Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route teacher preparation program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.

[\(\\$205\(a\)\(1\) \(A\)\(i\), \\$205\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(ii\), \\$206\(a\)\)](#)

**Note:** Last year's goal and the current year's goal are preloaded from the prior year's IPRC.

Key terms in this section are listed below. Click on the link to view the definition(s) in the glossary.

- [Quantifiable Goals](#)

## Report Progress on Last Year's Goal (2023-24)

1. Did your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2023-24?

If no, leave remaining questions for 2023-24 blank (or [clear responses already entered](#)).

- Yes  
 No

2. Describe your goal.

3. Did your program meet the goal?

- Yes  
 No

4. Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

5. Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

6. Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Review Current Year's Goal (2024-25)

7. Is your program preparing teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2024-25? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

8. Describe your goal.

## Set Next Year's Goal (2025-26)

9. Will your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2025-26? If no, leave the next question blank.

- Yes  
 No

10. Describe your goal.

## Assessment Pass Rates

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- [Pass rate](#)
- [Scaled score](#)
- [Teacher credential assessment](#)

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## Assessment Pass Rates

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5101 -BUSINESS ED CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	1			
ETS5101 -BUSINESS ED CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	1			
ETS5732 -CORE ACADEMIC SKILLS FOR ED: MATH Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	4			
ETS5712 -CORE ACADEMIC SKILLS FOR ED: READING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	8			
ETS5722 -CORE ACADEMIC SKILLS FOR ED: WRITING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	8			
ETS5733 -CORE ACADEMIC SKILLS FOR EDUCATORS: MATH Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	4			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	22	177	21	95
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	10	178	10	100
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	18	181	18	100
ETS5003 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	19	179	19	100
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	22	167	20	91
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	10	174	10	100
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	18	168	18	100
ETS5002 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ READING LANG ARTS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	19	167	19	100
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	22	173	21	95
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	10	171	10	100
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	18	173	18	100
ETS5005 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SCIENCES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	19	173	19	100
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	21	165	19	90
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	10	168	10	100
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	18	167	18	100

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5004 -ELEM ED MULTI SUBJ SOCIAL STUDIES Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	19	166	19	100
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	3			
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	2			
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	3			
ETS5039 -ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	3			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	2			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	1			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	3			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	2			
ETS5857 -HEALTH AND PE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	1			
ETS5165 -MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	1			
ETS5165 -MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	2			
ETS5165 -MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	1			
ETS5161 -MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	1			
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	3			

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	13	159	12	92
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	16	161	16	100
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	6			
ETS0113 -MUSIC CONTENT KNOWLEDGE Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	9			
ETS5623 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 5-9 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	2			
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all noncl	6			
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	21	170	21	100
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	21	173	21	100
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	13	171	13	100
ETS5624 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING 7-12 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	17	172	17	100
ETS5621 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING EARLY CHILD Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	5			
ETS5621 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING EARLY CHILD Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	2			
ETS5621 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING EARLY CHILD Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	5			
ETS5621 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING EARLY CHILD Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	3			
ETS5622 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING K-6 Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	20	173	18	90

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
ETS5622 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING K-6 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	12	175	12	100
ETS5622 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING K-6 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	14	173	14	100
ETS5622 -PRINC LEARNING AND TEACHING K-6 Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	18	173	18	100
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	5			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2023-24	1			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2022-23	4			
ETS5086 -SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT & INTERPRETATION Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2021-22	4			

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## Summary Pass Rates

Group	Number taking tests	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)
All program completers, 2023-24	35	35	100
All program completers, 2022-23	34	34	100
All program completers, 2021-22	38	38	100

# Low-Performing

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Provide the following information about the approval or accreditation of your teacher preparation program. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(D\)](#), [§205\(a\)\(1\)\(E\)](#))

**Note:** This section is preloaded from the prior year's IPRC.

## Low-Performing

1. Is your teacher preparation program currently approved or accredited?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please specify the organization(s) that approved or accredited your program:

- State
- CAEP
- AAQEP
- Other specify:

2. Is your teacher preparation program currently under a designation as "low-performing" by the state?

- Yes
- No

# Use of Technology

On this page, review the questions regarding your program's use of technology, and update as needed.

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## Use of Technology

1. Provide the following information about the use of technology in your teacher preparation program. Please note that choosing 'yes' indicates that your teacher preparation program would be able to provide evidence upon request. ([§205\(a\)\(1\)\(F\)](#))

Does your program prepare teachers to:

- a. integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction

Yes

No

- b. use technology effectively to collect data to improve teaching and learning

Yes

No

- c. use technology effectively to manage data to improve teaching and learning

Yes

No

- d. use technology effectively to analyze data to improve teaching and learning

Yes

No

2. Provide a description of the evidence that your program uses to show that it prepares teachers to integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction, and to use technology effectively to collect, manage, and analyze data in order to improve teaching and learning for the purpose of increasing student academic achievement. Include a description of the evidence your program uses to show that it prepares teachers to use the principles of universal design for learning, as applicable. Include planning activities and a timeline if any of the four elements listed above are not currently in place.

Integrate technology into curricula and instruction: With the advances in educational technology and its increasing availability in P-12 schools, it is imperative that teacher candidates be prepared to integrate digital-age tools for planning, instruction, student engagement, and assessment of learning. Candidates at Northwestern State University develop a digital-age skill set that includes Microsoft Suite, interactive whiteboard technology, Universal Design/Universal Design for Learning, SAMR, and Google certification. Candidates use their knowledge and skills in coursework and field experiences to create technology-rich learning environments that promote student inquiry, critical thinking, and problem-based learning. Use technology to effectively collect data to improve teaching and learning: Candidates experience the value of using student data in improving teaching and learning. They understand the concepts of 1) assessment of learning and 2) assessment for learning. Best practices in designing learning assessments are presented to candidates, and the candidates demonstrate their mastery of these through field-based activities. Candidates are afforded the opportunities to use technology to collect data on summative and formative assessments of student performance in lessons they teach before and during the clinical experience (residency). Because each school district, and in some cases each school, has access to different tools, candidates collaborate with field-based cooperating teachers to select the most appropriate tools for data collection in the lessons they teach. Use technology to manage data to improve teaching and learning: Once candidates collect student performance data, they may use any number of applications to organize the data. Applications like Google Classroom are learning management systems with built-in assessment modules for collecting, housing, and analyzing data. Other applications like Google Forms and SurveyMonkey are Web-based data collection tools from which data can be exported then imported into spreadsheet applications, like Microsoft Excel or Google Sheets, for organizing data in usable forms. Use technology to analyze data to improve

teaching and learning: Candidates use spreadsheet applications, like Microsoft Excel or Google Sheets, to organize and analyze student performance data. Other tools embedded within the applications used to collect data may be available for candidate use as well. Student performance data are analyzed using any number of these tools to assist the candidate in reflecting on student performance and in making data-driven instructional decisions. The adopted lesson plan template also requires students to implement the SAMR model for Technology Integration.

# Teacher Training

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>> [Teacher Training](#)

Provide the following information about your teacher preparation program.

**(§205(a)(1)(G))**

**Note:** This section is preloaded from the prior year's IPRC.

## Teacher Training

### 1. Provide a description of the activities that prepare general education teachers to:

#### a. Teach students with disabilities effectively

All students seeking certification within this program must successfully complete a required special education course. This course focuses on all facets of special education and specifically addresses the preparation, instruction, and assessment of students with disabilities. This course provides training in Council for Exceptional (CEC) dispositions and knowledge required for working as a member of an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) team. Topics covered include Special Education law, major categories of disabilities, diversity, and education in the least restrictive environment (LRE). In addition to the topics covered in this class, the needs of diverse learners are a principal focus throughout other coursework. This program prepares general ed teachers to effectively teach students with disabilities by regularly examining and discussing the learning differences and similarities of all children. The adopted lesson plan also requires that students plan differentiation that specifies content, process, and product.

#### b. Participate as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.

Participate as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. All candidates are equipped with skills needed to effectively plan in the IEP process. As coursework culminates, mastery of the aforementioned skills and an understanding of how to apply the provisions of disabilities law (such as Inclusion, LRE, and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the responsibilities of educators and stakeholders in an IEP is required of all candidates. Particular emphasis is given to understanding parental perceptions and concerns of disabled children and ways of working with parents, their children, and team members in order to assure optimum achievement for children. Culturally responsive teaching practices are also embedded in most courses.

#### c. Effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.

ELL and ESL students are addressed through instruction about differentiation. Students craft lessons for these students if present in their classes by implementing the SIOP model. Additionally, we have integrated ESL/ELL curriculum into undergraduate courses. Culturally responsive teaching practices are also embedded in most courses. Elem Ed majors also take a course on teaching ESL students.

### 2. Does your program prepare special education teachers?

Yes

No

If yes, provide a description of the activities that prepare *special education teachers* to:

#### a. Teach students with disabilities effectively

b. Participate as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.

c. Effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.

## Contextual Information

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On this page, review the contextual information about your program, and update as needed.

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>> [Contextual Information](#)

## Contextual Information

Please use this space to provide any additional information that describes your teacher preparation program(s). You may also attach information to this report card (see below). The U.S. Department of Education is especially interested in any evaluation plans or interim or final reports that may be available.

Founded in 1884 as the State Normal School, Northwestern State University continues its legacy of preparing teachers and other school personnel for their daily work in the schools. Evidence to support this statement includes previously published findings from the Louisiana Board of Regents Teacher Preparation Data Dashboards. Additional information may be found on the Louisiana Quality Rating Scale on louisianabelieves.com.

## Supporting Files

No files have been provided.

You may upload files to be included with your report card. You should only upload PDF or Microsoft Word or Excel files. These files will be listed as links in your report card. Upload files in the order that you'd like them to appear.

# Report Card Certification

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Please make sure your entire report card is complete and accurate before completing this section. Once your report card is certified you will not be able to edit your data.

## Certification of submission

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this report is accurate and complete and conforms to the definitions and instructions used in the *Higher Education Opportunity Act, Title II: Reporting Reference and User Manual.*

NAME OF RESPONSIBLE REPRESENTATIVE FOR TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM:

TITLE:

## Certification of review of submission

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NAME OF REVIEWER:

TITLE: