



TEACHER EDUCATION REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:
PREPARATION FOR BENCHMARK REQUIREMENTS, APPLICATION
TO THE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM, AND APPLICATION TO
STUDENT TEACHING

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Directions: All students who have declared education as their major must complete the following tasks during Introduction to Education courses (EDU360/560 – sections .01/.02 Education Majors Only) - **Benchmark I**. Students will be invited to a **Google Classroom or Canvas** in the EDU360/560 courses for Education Majors only where all these items for each benchmark **must all be completed/uploaded BEFORE candidates can attend any first clinical placement requirement for ANY major**.

These documents will be **checked by your advisor** before students can **register for any clinical**. **All items for section I and II must be completed before students may take any Benchmark II courses for education.**

- I. **DURING BENCHMARK I** -(all items require a current date - including students who transfer the Introduction to Education course)
 1. Livetext subscription
 2. SLED check (valid for 18 months per state department – must be current through student teaching or another check has to be completed)
 3. Negative TB test (must be current and on file since time of enrollment at Converse – if a leave is taken anytime during your program completion, then a new test must be provided)
 4. Sex Offender Registry (must have 0 results from ALL states and territories and/or need your driver's license picture to verify persons listed are NOT the teacher education candidate)
 5. Travel form (with witness signature)
 6. Blood Borne Pathogens (BBP) – self-study test - retake until passing 80% or above (study guide and link to quiz provided in Intro to Ed for Education Majors)
 7. Education Economic Development Act Test (EEDA) - must be 80% or above to pass (study guide and link to quiz provided in Intro to Ed for Education Majors)
 8. Acceptable Test Scores:
Undergraduate: Core Praxis (reading, writing, and math) **or** qualifying SAT/ACT score
MAT Students: must take Miller Analogy Test for admission into Graduate Program

II. **PRIOR TO BENCHMARK II:**

- 1) Complete application including disclosure statement to the Teacher Education Program (**Due First Mondays December and May**). Get the document signed by required faculty - take to email to Dr. Danielle Robertson - CARM109E.
- 2) **TEST REQUIREMENTS FOR TED ACCEPTANCE:**
Undergraduate: Core Praxis (reading, writing, and math) **or** qualifying SAT/ACT score –
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III. **YEAR BEFORE STUDENT TEACHING:**

- 1) Complete **State department application** at the SC Dept. of Education (CATS) <https://ed.sc.gov/educators/certification/cats/> – create a login/password - (initial certification process – **there is a fee!**) and complete the FBI fingerprint packet (**there is a fee!**)—by these **state due dates: Student Teaching in Fall - Feb. 15th - Student Teaching in Spring June 15th**.
- 2) Complete **Converse Request for Student Placement for Student Teaching** and electronically submit to Dr. Danielle Robertson (danielle.robertson@converse.edu) by **June 15th of previous year for Spring Student Teaching and Feb. 15th of previous year for Fall Student Teaching**.