



ACCREDITATION ACTION REPORT

An official record of actions taken by the AAQEP Accreditation Commission

**Southern Oregon University
Educator Licensure Programs
Ashland, OR
July 2023**

ACTION

Based on examination of the case record, including the program's self-study and the AAQEP review team's report, the AAQEP Accreditation Commission makes the following determination regarding the educator licensure programs at Southern Oregon University:

X	ACCREDITATION - The Accreditation Commission finds that the program meets all AAQEP standards and is accredited for a term of seven years.
	ACCREDITATION WITH NOTE - The Accreditation Commission finds that the program meets all AAQEP standards and is accredited for a term of seven years with the notations specified below.
	INITIAL ACCREDITATION - The Accreditation Commission finds that the program meets all AAQEP standards and is accredited for a nonrenewable term of five years.
	INITIAL ACCREDITATION WITH NOTE - The Accreditation Commission finds that the program meets all AAQEP standards and is accredited for a nonrenewable term of five years with the notations specified below.
	PROBATIONARY ACCREDITATION - The Accreditation Commission finds that the program meets all AAQEP standards and is accredited for a term of two years, but conditions specified below represent a potential threat to the provider's ability to meet one or more standards.
	DO NOT ACCREDIT - The Accreditation Commission finds that the program does not meet AAQEP standards and does not qualify for accreditation for reasons specified below.
	DISCLAIMER OF DECISION - The Accreditation Commission finds that the evidence available to it is insufficient to sustain an affirmative or adverse decision.

TERM

The accreditation term takes effect immediately and lasts through **June 30, 2030**, or until Southern Oregon University ceases to be a member in good standing of AAQEP, whichever is earlier. Annual Reports are due by December 31 of each year, with the first report being due December 31, 2024. In addition, please refer to AAQEP's [substantive change policy](#) for guidance on program changes that must be reported.

RATIONALE

The Commission evaluated the program's evidence for each AAQEP standard and determined that all four standards are met. Southern Oregon University provides its candidates with robust and proactive support as it prepares them to work effectively as professional educators who can adapt to different contexts and continue to grow professionally.

Southern Oregon University maintains program quality by analyzing evidence of its effectiveness and making evidence-based program revisions to benefit candidates. It engages with stakeholders through long-standing and collaborative partnerships to strengthen the P-20 education system.

STANDARDS REPORT

The Commission has made the following determinations regarding the AAQEP standards based on its review of the program's outcomes, documentation of capacity, assessment system, quality control system, plans for development, and other evidence as reviewed and supplemented by the review team:

Standard	Met	Not Met
1. Candidate/Completer Performance - Program completers perform as professional educators with the capacity to support success for all students.	X	
2. Completer Professional Competence and Growth - Program completers adapt to working in a variety of contexts and grow as professionals.	X	
3. Quality Program Practices - The program has the capacity to ensure that its completers meet Standards 1 and 2.	X	
4. Program Engagement in System Improvement - Program practices strengthen the P-20 education system in light of local needs and in keeping with the program's mission.	X	

CONCERNS AND CONDITIONS

Concerns are minor problems or shortcomings related to one or more aspects of a standard and must be addressed in the provider's next Annual Report(s). *Conditions* are more significant problems that threaten to undermine one or more of the standards and may result in a shorter accreditation term or require resolution before accreditation takes effect.

Standard	Notation	Remedy and timeline
	No concerns or conditions	

SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION

This action for Southern Oregon University includes the following:

Degree granted by the institution or organization (or nondegree program of study)	Certificate, License, Endorsement, or Other Credential granted by the Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
<i>Programs that lead to initial teaching credentials</i>	
Bachelor of Science, Education Studies	Primary Teaching License, endorsement in Elementary-Multiple Subjects
Master of Arts in Teaching, Elementary	Primary Teaching License, endorsement in Elementary-Multiple Subjects
Master of Arts in Teaching, Secondary	Preliminary Teaching License, endorsement in Secondary-Single Subject: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Mathematics • Art • Biology • Business Generalist • Chemistry • Drama • English Language Arts • Health • Integrated Science • Music • Physical Education • Physics • Social Studies • World Language: Chinese • World Language: French • World Language: German • World Language: Spanish

Master of Arts in Teaching, Special Education	Preliminary Teaching License, endorsement in Special Education: Generalist
<i>Programs that lead to additional or advanced credentials</i>	
Initial Administrators Program (graduate level)	Principal License
Continuing Administrators Program (graduate level)	Professional Administrator License
English for Speakers of Other Languages Endorsement (undergraduate and graduate level)	Endorsement in English for Speakers of Other Languages
<i>Programs that lead to credentials for other school professionals or to no specific credential</i>	
n/a	n/a

NOTE: Accreditation actions are based on examination of the case record, including the provider's self-study and the AAQEP review team's report. Decisions are the sole responsibility of the AAQEP Accreditation Commission and may not be modified by staff or quality assurance reviewers.