



CHECK YOUR PROGRESS TOWARD TEACHER CERTIFICATION

NAME _____ BANNER # _____ DATE _____

1. PREPARE TO APPLY TO YOUR PROGRAM BY COMPLETING THE FOLLOWING:

SEMESTER TO APPLY: _____

- ☐ Obtain the following GPA requirements:
- Minimum _____ **Auburn** GPA _____
- Minimum _____ **Professional Studies** GPA _____
- Minimum _____ **Teaching Field** GPA _____
- Minimum **2.75 AU Core** GPA (Elem Ed only) _____

Here are some tools to help you calculate/find these GPAs: DegreeWorks, unofficial transcript in AU Access, or unweighted college GPA calculators from the internet. Please confirm with your academic advisor.



- ☐ Complete at least 45 degree-applicable hours.
- Special Education majors should complete all core and supporting courses prior to application.
 - Elementary Ed majors must complete all non-admitted/non-cohort courses prior to beginning the cohort/program.

Courses under "Other Courses" at the bottom of DegreeWorks are not degree-applicable unless there is an error in DegreeWorks. See advisor for more info.



- ☐ Satisfactorily complete/be currently enrolled in **EDUC 1010/1013**.
- Semester completed/planned _____



- ☐ Complete your **background check & fingerprints** through the ALSDE database.
- ALSDE ID/TCH Number _____ - _____ - _____
- Go to <https://education.auburn.edu/teacher-education/> for more info.

This is the same background check completed in EDUC 1010: **Take extreme care in ensuring LEGAL first/last names and social security number are entered correctly.** Please also know that background checks take up to six weeks to receive the final result.

- ☐ Complete your **Pre-Teaching Experience** within your major/area of certification.

This is 5 full, school-days of classroom observations (3 days consecutive). You schedule this at a public school of your convenience. **Forms to assist with scheduling and completing/verifying completion of pre-teaching found at QR code/website below.**



ONCE THE ABOVE HAS BEEN COMPLETED, TALK TO YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR ABOUT:

- ☐ Completing your electronic application (may include writing prompt) through Watermark when your program is accepting applications;
- ☐ Scheduling your formal interview (may include writing prompt) with program faculty.



For pre-teaching forms, background clearance info, & more, scan the QR code with your smartphone camera (or visit <https://education.auburn.edu/about/certification/index.php>) and click on Pre-Major.

2. PREPARE FOR **CLINICAL RESIDENCY/INTERNSHIP** BY COMPLETING THE FOLLOWING:

SEMESTER OF INTERNSHIP: _____

ANTICIPATED GRADUATION: _____

- ☐ Admission to Teacher Education professional program.
- ☐ Complete and submit Clinical Residency application in Watermark **one year in advance** of the semester you plan to do your internship.

The resume you attach to this application will be seen by school officials. Be sure to visit the Career Discovery and Success for feedback and assistance on your resume.



- ☐ Obtain a minimum _____ **GPA** in the following areas:

CHECKPOINT	#1	#2	#3
Auburn GPA	_____	_____	_____
Professional Studies GPA	_____	_____	_____
Teaching Field GPA	_____	_____	_____

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- ☐ Satisfactory completion of all courses designated as **prerequisites for clinical residency**, with no grade below a C in Professional Studies (and Teaching Field for Elementary Education students).
 - Failure to complete courses as directed can result in a delay in clinical residency and graduation.
 - **Extra courses MAY NOT be taken during clinical residency without advanced approval from program faculty.**

- ☐ A passing score on EACH of the Alabama Educator Certification Testing Program's **assessments** designated for your major/area of certification **prior to deadline (listed below)**.

- When registering, list **Auburn University & ALSDE as score recipients**, and take extreme care in entering **correct LEGAL name, DOB, SSN, etc.!**
- For more information on needed assessments, please visit <https://education.auburn.edu/about/certification/index.php> or scan the QR code.
- Passing score requirements vary by program, admission date, clinical residency term, and date of recommendation for certification. **Internship will be postponed to following semester if assessment(s) is not taken/passed by deadline below.** Assessment(s) Required for My Program: _____



******DEADLINES: OCTOBER 31st PRIOR TO INTERNSHIP SEMESTER (SPRING INTERNS), JUNE 30th (FALL INTERNS)******

SINCE I PLAN TO DO MY INTERNSHIP DURING FALL / SPRING OF 20____, THEN MY DEADLINE FOR TAKING & PASSING REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS IS _____.

- ☐ Maintain a clear **background check** through the ALSDE database.
ALSDE ID/TCH Number _____ - _____ - _____



This is the same background check that was used for admission to the program.

3. ENSURE YOU ARE READY FOR **GRADUATION AND TEACHER CERTIFICATION**.

- ☐ Satisfactory **completion of all courses** required for your program, with no grade below C in Professional Studies (and Teaching Field for Elementary Education). **Be sure to register for UNIV 4AA0 in your final semester.**
- ☐ Minimum _____ **GPA** in Auburn, Professional Studies, and Teaching Field areas
- ☐ Submission of the **edTPA assessment**. Final submission confirmation email should be uploaded into Tk20. Scores should be sent to Auburn University and the ALSDE.
Passing scores not required for graduation; however, since it takes ~6 weeks for scores to come in, students should submit early enough to get scores prior to graduation. Final grade for clinical residency reported **only** after submission.)
- ☐ Recommendation for Teacher Certification is pending the following:
 - Passing scores on edTPA
 - Official transcripts showing degree completion of Education Preparation Program
 - Submission of the Application for Teacher Certification to the Office of Academic and Faculty Affairs

For more info on the above, scan the QR code on bottom of page 1 with your smartphone camera.