

Facts About the Education Program

Title II Information

Under Title II of the Higher Education Act, all teacher education programs are required to publish test results and other information about their programs. Minnesota requires teacher candidates to take skills exams in reading, writing and mathematics. Candidates may choose one of the following skills exams: (MN NES Essential Academic Skills, ACT plus Writing, or SAT) and MTLE (pedagogy and academic content in the candidate's area of specialization). In 2018-2019, teacher education programs are required to publish test results from the 2016-2017 school year.

Data required by Title II:

- 100% of program completers of St. Scholastica's 2016-2017 program completers in the teacher preparation program passed the state-mandated Reading Exam, 97% passed the Writing Exam and 93% passed the Math Exam.
- 96% of program completers of St. Scholastica's 2016-2017 program completers in the teacher preparation program passed Pedagogy Elementary Subtest 1 and 100% passed Pedagogy Elementary Subtest 2.
- 100% of program completers of St. Scholastica's 2016-2017 teacher preparation program passed Pedagogy Secondary Subtest 1 and Pedagogy Secondary Subtest 2.
- 291 new students were accepted in the teacher education program.
- 167 students were in supervised clinical experiences.
- 5 full-time and 19 adjunct faculty supervised student teachers. Therefore, the student/ faculty ratio for student teacher supervision was 7:1.
- St. Scholastica's Undergraduate teacher candidates complete 560 hours of student teaching.
- St. Scholastica's Graduate Teacher candidates complete 480 hours of student teaching.
- St. Scholastica has continuing institutional and program approval from the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board (PELSB).

Other information about the program

The College of St. Scholastica's Teacher Education Program, which is designed to prepare and support teachers who are firmly grounded in the knowledge, skills, and dispositions needed to promote student learning, is accredited by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC) and CAEP for a period of seven years, from October 2013 to October 2020. The information required by Title II represents only a small portion of the measures available to assess the effectiveness of teacher education programs. All Minnesota teacher education programs go through rigorous on-site and paper reviews by the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board (PELSB). Institutions receive continuing approval, conditional approval, or are denied approval based on these reviews.

Additional data the College uses to assess teacher candidates

Any kind of assessment has limitations, so The College of St. Scholastica uses a number of tools to measure outcomes of its students and overall program quality, including course assessments, edTPA, alumni and employer surveys, and evaluations by supervising CSS and K-12 teachers.

All students demonstrate attainment of all required standards. Faculty maintain an electronic database of students' achievement of particular standards in each course. Students' field experiences and student teaching are evaluated by both College faculty and by cooperating K-12 master teachers.

Students are recommended for licensure once they have demonstrated the required standards through coursework, field experiences, and state-mandated assessments.

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