



Teacher Education Program Admission Checklist

Completed application packets (see below for required materials) are due in the School of Education office, Brown Hall #1, by the appropriate application deadline: the 2nd Friday of October, February or August.

Admission Requirements

To be admitted to the Teacher Education Program, you must meet each of the following requirements by the end of the semester in which you are applying for admission.

- Declared major/minor(s) with the Registrar's Office.
- Completed 45 or more semester hours of college level coursework.
- Earned an overall GPA of 2.70 or higher.
- Completed ENGL110, ENGL111, COMM101, and either MATH102 or MATH207 (or higher) with grade of C or better.
- Earned a minimum grade of C in each course in my major(s), minor(s), and elementary planned program (if applicable).
- Earned a GPA of 2.70 or higher in my major(s), minor(s), and elementary planned program (if applicable).
- Completed EDUC150 and EDUC250 each with a grade of B- or better.
- Completed 80 hours of experience with children and youth, document using form F310 et al.
- Passed the MTTC Basic Skills Tests: Reading, Writing, and Mathematics

Application Packet

Your application packet must include the following items:

- Application Form
- Statement of Educational Philosophy
- Degree Audits for major/minor(s) - indicating courses completed to date, semester taken and grade.
- Transcripts: Current LSSU transcript (provide unofficial copy from Anchor Access)
- Transcript Request Form (required if you have completed coursework at another college or university)
- Proposed Plan of Study – Indicate when each course will be taken for the balance of your program
- Teaching/Child Related Experiences using form F310, with F315 and F320 as appropriate
- Criminal History Disclosure (Form F025c)



LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY

Application for Admission to the Teacher Education Program

Name: _____ LSSU ID A
Last First M.I. Maiden/Other

Local Address: _____
Street Apt. City State Zip

Permanent Address: _____
Street Apt. City State Zip

Local/Cell Phone: _____ Permanent Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Academic Program

- Elementary with subject endorsement(s)
 - Major: _____
 - Two Minors: _____
- Elementary with student-centered specialty area
 - Special Education
 - Early Childhood Education
 - World Language: _____
- Secondary
 - Major: _____
 - Minor: _____

Academic Advisor(s): _____

Previous College Coursework (complete and include Transcript Request Form in packet)

Other Institutions Attended: _____

Earned Degree(s) (if any) – list degree, institution, date awarded, major/minor(s)

I hereby request admission to the Lake Superior State University Teacher Education program, and grant permission for the use of this information, required test scores and criminal disclosure documents to determine eligibility and placement in the program.

Signature Date

Statement of Educational Philosophy

In a well-written essay, discuss your personal philosophy of education that presents your beliefs and motivations as you move through your professional preparation. Your statement of philosophy is important because it provides focus and emphasis for your work with students. There is no “right” philosophy and it will change throughout your educational career.

The following questions may help you identify essential elements of your philosophy, although they are not intended to be a point-by-point outline for your statement:

- *What is the purpose of education?
- *What goals do you want your students to achieve?
- *What are the students’ roles and responsibilities?
- *What is the nature of teacher’s role?
- *What is the teacher’s role in educational renewal and reform?
- *What is the ideal curriculum?
- *What instructional methods or strategies are most effective?
- *What is the most effective learning environment?

In the essay, clearly state your belief about the overall purpose of education or schooling, and discuss why you are committed to carrying out this purpose in your work as an educator. Identify at least three beliefs you hold or practices you plan to use as an educator in meeting your purpose. Use examples from field experience, personal experience, assigned readings, professional or popular literature, class discussions or other sources to support or expand on each belief. Refer to the scoring rubric below for guidelines in constructing the essay.

Rubric

| | Meets Expectations | Needs Improvement | Unsatisfactory |
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| Introductory Statement | Clear statement of overall purpose of education or schooling, detailing why the author is committed to working in the field. | General statement of value of education, with discussion of commitment to working in field. | No overarching statement regarding purpose of schooling. |
| Supporting Content | At least three beliefs of the author’s personal philosophy of education linking to purpose of education or schooling are discussed. Specific examples from field experience, literature, discussions, or other experiences are provided. | At least two personal beliefs are discussed, with examples given; or three beliefs discussed on general, societal level rather than personal level. | Less than two personal beliefs are discussed. |
| Organization | Statement is developed with a clear introduction, body of essay linked to introduction, and conclusion that summarizes key points. | Two of three parts are strong. | One or fewer parts are strong. |
| Grammar and Spelling | "Perfect" paper - no significant errors in grammar, spelling, sentence structure, or punctuation. | Good sentence skills with few minor errors in spelling and punctuation. | Many mechanical and sentence skills errors - numerous fragments, run-on sentences, subject/verb agreement errors. |



**Transcript Request for
Application for Admission to
the Teacher Education Program**

This form allows the LSSU Registrar to provide the LSSU School of Education with a copy of your transcript(s) from other institutions that will be included in your School of Education program file.

To the Registrar:

Please forward a copy of my transcript(s), from the following institutions, to the School of Education Office, Brown Hall #1:

(Institution Name)

(Institution Name)

(Institution Name)

(Institution Name)

Print Name

LSSU ID

Signature

Date

Registrar's office: Please attach this form to the copies of the requested transcripts and return to the School of Education.

Teacher Education Program Proposed Plan of Study

Based on the completed coursework shown on your audit sheet(s) and unofficial transcript, indicate the semesters in which you plan to enroll in the courses required to complete the components of your teacher education program.

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