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General Policies and Procedures

Note: Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic circumstances, this ELED Handbook has been partially revised to accommodate remote learning practices.
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LETTER FROM PROGRAM FACULTY & STAFF

Dear Elementary Education Students:

Welcome to the University of New Mexico’s Professional Program in Elementary (K-8) Education!

You have entered a rigorous and rewarding academic program where program faculty, Field Services staff, and College of Education & Human Sciences (COEHS) advisors care deeply about your personal and professional development. Faculty and staff members within the Elementary Education program are committed to both the profession of teaching and the culturally and linguistically diverse students of New Mexico. This is why, in addition to our high academic standards, we hold high expectations in the areas of dispositions and habits of mind. We expect all teacher candidates to exhibit ethical, caring behavior; to work diligently to develop skills that reflect competency in the areas of content knowledge and pedagogy; to complete the established professional sequence as outlined, and to become advocates for equitable education.

We encourage you to actively engage in collaborative efforts with faculty, staff, peers, and cooperating teachers to not only enhance your own development, but also that of your professional learning community. This includes, for example, attending school site events, participating in program sponsored activities, and being an advocate and ambassador for the UNM College of Education & Human Sciences.

We are here to support you through this journey. Please do not hesitate to ask questions and seek assistance when needed. As COEHS faculty and staff, we are committed to addressing your needs and inquiries in an ethical, competent, and timely manner.

Sincerely,

The Elementary Education Program
Faculty & Staff
https://coehs.unm.edu/departments-programs/teelp/faculty-information.html
The Elementary Education Program is a large program with many different members available to support you as you make your way through this three-semester journey. Below is a list of scenarios with the appropriate contacts listed in the order in which it is best to begin contact.

**Question/Concern in the Field:**
1. UNM Supervisor & UNM Seminar Instructor Refer to syllabus for contact information
2. Field Services fsp@unm.edu
3. Program Coordinator: Dr. Leila Flores-Dueñas lflores@unm.edu or eled@unm.edu

**Question/Concern in the Classroom:**
1. Instructor Refer to syllabus for contact information
2. Program Coordinator lflores@unm.edu or eled@unm.edu
3. Department Chair: Dr. Kris Goodrich kgoodric@unm.edu

**Question/Concern regarding schedule, holds, and graduation requirements:**
1. COE Advisement Center coeac@unm.edu or loboachieve.unm.edu
2. Program Coordinator lflores@unm.edu or eled@unm.edu

**Question/Concern regarding Elementary Education Program:**
1. Program Coordinator: Dr. Leila Flores-Duenas lflores@unm.edu or eled@unm.edu
2. Department Chair: Dr. Kris Goodrich kgoodric@unm.edu

**STUDENT GRIEVANCE PROCESS**

If an issue arises in a classroom or in the field, or if you have a general concern regarding the program, you are instructed to follow the above order of contact to begin the student grievance process. Once those steps are taken, you will be instructed to continue the process as outlined by the Pathfinder – UNM Student Handbook:

http://pathfinder.unm.edu/campus-policies/student-grievance-procedure.html
**FIELD EXPERIENCE AT-A-GLANCE/DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT IN Tk20**

Teacher candidates (TCs) receive multiple forms of feedback during three 16-week semesters. They are observed by their Cooperating Teachers (CTs) and UNM Supervisors (US) in all three semesters. Formal feedback is uploaded into UNM’s data collection system, Tk20, where all parties can see the feedback.

### Semester 1 Practicum

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  Conduct between weeks 8-12 OBS #1 | • 1 formal observation (Tk20)  
  Conductor between weeks 8-12  
  • Professional Dispositions Assessment Due Week 14 | • COE Differentiated NMTEACH Lesson Plan (Tk20) *Due Week 10*  
  • Professional Dispositions Self-Assessment (Tk20) *Due Week 12*  
  • Final 200-300 Word Reflection on her/his Accomplishments in Teaching this Semester (Tk20) *Due End of Semester*

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  Conduct between weeks 8-12 OBS #1 | • 2 formal observations (Tk20)  
  Conduct between weeks:  
  6-12 OBS #1  
  9-14 OBS #2  
  • Professional Dispositions Assessment (Tk20) *Due Week 14* | • COE Differentiated NMTEACH Lesson Plan (Tk20) *Due Week 10*  
  • Professional Dispositions Self-Assessment (Tk20) *Due Week 12*  
  • Final 200-300 Word Reflection on her/his Accomplishments in Teaching this Semester (Tk20) *Due End of Semester*

### Semester 3 Student Teaching

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  Conduct between weeks 4-7 OBS #1  
  9-14 OBS #2 | • 3 formal observations (Tk20)  
  Conduct during weeks:  
  4 OBS #1  
  8 OBS #2  
  12 OBS #3  
  • Professional Dispositions Assessment (Tk20) *Due Week 14*  
  • Sign Off for Teaching Candidate on being Prepared to Teach (Tk20) *Due Week 15* | • Professional Dispositions Self-Assessment (Tk20) *Due Week 12*  
  • Professional Development Plan Due (Tk20) *Due Week 14*  
  • Final 200-300 Word Reflection on her/his Accomplishments in Teaching this Semester (Tk20) *Due End of Semester*
**FIELD REMINDERS AND CLARIFICATIONS**

**Time Requirements for Observation Submission:**

UNM supervisors submit results of formal observations in Tk20 within **72 hours**.

**Cancellation/Rescheduling of Observations:**

Teacher candidates may cancel/reschedule an observation **no more than once** during the semester and only as agreed upon by the supervisor. Requests to cancel and reschedule twice or more are subject to non-completion.

**Lesson Plans for Observations:**

Teacher Candidates are required to submit a written lesson plan **at least 48 hours prior** to a formal observation to whomever will be observing. The lesson plan can then be attached to the Post-Observation Reflection. Failure to submit a lesson plan prior to 48 hours of the scheduled observation may be subject to cancelation without an opportunity for rescheduling at the discretion of the observer.

**CT Expressions of Concern:**

First, have a direct and frank conversation with your Teacher Candidate about the issue. State your expectations and state that you expect a change to occur. If a change does not occur within a reasonable amount of time, or if the behavior continues, please contact the UNM Elementary Education Coordinator (**eled@unm.edu**), who may recommend using the Informal Review forms in the TEACHER CANDIDATE CONTINUATION POLICY [https://coehs.unm.edu/uploads/docs/coe-main/2019-20-unm-coe-epp-continuation-policy.pdf](https://coehs.unm.edu/uploads/docs/coe-main/2019-20-unm-coe-epp-continuation-policy.pdf)

**Communication:**

Teacher candidates (TCs) carry the primary responsibility of facilitating fluid communication between their Cooperating Teachers (CTs) and the University. **TC’s need to make sure the CT receives an electronic copy of the most recent version of the handbook.**
TEACHER CANDIDATE PLACEMENT

Teaching involves a search for meaning in the world. Teaching is a life project, a calling, a vocation that is an organizing center of all other activities. Teaching is past and future as well as surface. Teaching is pain and humor, joy and anger, dreariness and epiphany. Teaching is world building, it is architecture and design, it is purpose and moral enterprise. Teaching is a way of being in the world that breaks through the boundaries of the traditional job and in the process redefines all life and teaching itself. —William Ayers

The UNM Elementary Education Program faculty is continually involved in the process of inquiry. As scholars and teachers, we participate in ongoing research projects seeking the best practices and strategies for preparing the next generation of teachers who will be equipped to face the linguistically, socio-economically, and ethnically diverse challenges of today’s classrooms. To that end, we have formed targeted partnerships with area schools. Teacher Candidates do not choose their own placements. **We prioritize placement in schools where teacher candidates will be mentored and supported by university faculty, UNM supervisors, cooperating teachers and the larger school community.** Additionally, general considerations are made based upon distance from home, means of transportation, and selected endorsements. Program faculty work collaboratively with Field Services, our district partners, and school site administrators to create the best possible opportunities for our students. Students seeking Bilingual and/or TESOL endorsements will be placed within schools with bilingual (50/50) and English Language Learner (ELL) programs. We currently have the following teacher candidate placement models:

**Co-Teaching Collaborative Schools (CTCS)**
The Elementary Education Program and Albuquerque Public Schools (APS) have partnered for a number of years in creating and maintaining Co-Teaching Collaborative Schools. This approach to clinical preparation evidences consistent positive outcomes for teacher candidates, cooperating teachers, school site administrators, and has resulted in increased K-5 student achievement. A faculty member is embedded in each school and is present at the school a minimum of ¾ to 1 full day per week, working with the teacher candidates. In student teaching, co-teaching is an arrangement in which two or more professionals deliver substantive instruction to a diverse or blended group of students in a single classroom. Teacher candidates and cooperating teachers work together with groups of students; sharing the planning, organization, delivery and assessment of instruction, as well as the physical space. Although most of the lessons are co-taught, teacher candidates have numerous opportunities to be fully responsible for planning and instruction.

**Teacher Education Collaborative in Language Diversity and Arts Integration (TECLA)**
The TECLA Partnership with La Mesa Elementary School focuses on Bilingual/TESOL education and integrating arts across all content areas. Teacher candidates utilize the arts to engage children in meaningful educational experiences. This approach to teacher preparation attempts to improve student experience in school by accessing and encouraging language development and participation using creativity. This partnership is funded by research grants and the generosity of area donors. An embedded faculty member is present at the school a minimum of two full days per week, working
with teacher candidates, observing their teaching, offering professional development to Cooperating Teachers, teaching seminar courses on site and sometimes teaching methods courses. Teacher candidates in this program get additional experience sharing their work at an international conference and also in leading school-wide creative initiatives.

**Open Placement Cohorts**
UNM also has school placement sites that suit the needs of students outside of central New Mexico. Up to five teacher candidates might be placed in any one school site. We seek to place all teacher candidates in public school sites reflective of New Mexico's unique demographics, and whenever possible, place all student teachers in partnership schools. When possible, teacher candidates will participate in cohort models or web enhanced coursework and field seminars. In all cases, a UNM Supervisor is assigned to each teacher candidate.

**Fieldwork Requirement**
To graduate with a BS in Elementary Education (K-8), you must have successfully completed a total of 12 credit hours of fieldwork (Practicum and Student Teaching) and seminar instruction by the end of your Semester 3 Field Experience:

**Semester 1: Co-Requisites (must be taken together)**
- EDUC 401L (seminar) - 1 credit
- EDUC 411L (field experience) – 1 credit

**Semester 2 Co-Requisites (must be taken together)**
- EDUC 402L (seminar) - 1 credit
- EDUC 412L (field experience) – 2 credits

**Semester 3: Co-Requisites (must be taken together)**
- EDUC 403L (seminar) - 1 credit
- EDUC 413L (field experience) – 6 credits

In addition, teacher candidates must pass required NES or Praxis exams prior to fulltime student teaching.
SEMESTER I PRACTICUM OVERVIEW

Courses

In Semester 1, teacher candidates take 3 methods courses, a diversity strand course, student teaching seminar and a field practicum two days a week.

Below are brief descriptions of the required methods courses teacher candidates take during their first semester of practicum. Completion of coursework assignments may require the teacher candidate to interact with one or more students in the classroom. Cooperating teachers are asked to be as flexible and accommodating as possible to allow for the completion of these assignments.

SEMESTER 1: DESCRIPTION OF METHODS COURSES TAKEN TOGETHER

EDUC 333L: Teaching Language Arts K-8 (3 credit hours)
Catalog Description: Study of oral and written forms of language. Background theory in language development and use in teacher-child interactions is presented and followed by carefully designed experiences with children.

EDUC 361L: Teaching Mathematics K-8 (3 credit hours)
Catalog Description: Strategies and materials appropriate for traditional and innovative instructional programs in elementary school mathematics. Supervised work with children allows for in-depth analysis of both content and process.
Prerequisite or Corequisite: MATH 1118 and (MATH 1220 or MATH 2118).

EDUC 353L: Teaching Science K-8 (3 credit hours)
Catalog Description: Methods, processes, content and management of children’s science observation, exploration, discovery and invention; attitudes of inquiry and wonderment. Science integrated with math and other areas of life.

SEMESTER 1: DIVERSITY STRAND COURSE #2 (DETERMINED BY STUDENT)

NOTE 1: Students seeking an Endorsement in Bilingual Education, take courses in Bilingual Education for their Diversity Strand. NOTE 2: Students seeking an Endorsement in TESOL, take courses in TESOL for their Diversity Strand.

SEMESTER 1: PRACTICUM COURSES TAKEN TOGETHER WITH METHODS & DIVERSITY COURSES LISTED ABOVE

EDUC 401L “Creating Effective K-8 Learning Environments 1” (1 credit hour Seminar)

EDUC 411L “K-8 Field Experience 1” (1 credit hour Field Component)
1) Teacher Candidates (TCs) are placed in classrooms for two (2) full days each week (typically between Wednesday through Friday for 15 weeks (30 days). TCs follow the CT required Duty Day.

2) TCs are allowed up to two excused absences from their field experience provided that the TC arranges to make up the time during that same semester. All absences must be reported to the cooperating teacher, the university supervisor, and the seminar instructor. Two or more late arrivals and early departures may be counted as an absence. If absences exceed two, the program coordinator (eled@unm.edu) should be notified and the student may be asked to take their Semester 1 Practicum (EDUC 401L & 411L) the following semester.

3) All TCs are required to attend seminar meetings. These seminars cover topics on observation, classroom management, evaluation, and other topics. **Seminars are mandatory. Dates and times are arranged by the instructor, and so differ from semester to semester.** However, teacher candidates can expect them to either be on the same day as their coursework (typically Monday or Tuesday afternoon) or during their field assignment (typically Wednesday through Friday). TCs are expected to be in Seminar EDUC 401L on-time for every class session since that is where they will learn about the required assessments that get posted in Tk20. Any and all absences must be reported ahead of time and make-up work must be completed for each absence.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SEMESTER 1 PRACTICUM**

**Holiday/Seasonal Breaks**
In Semester 1 & 2 Practicum, when UNM and district holidays/seasonal breaks do not coincide, TCs are encouraged to discuss their wishes for observance with their cooperating teachers. Arrangements can be made on a case-by-case basis as long as TCs meet the required number of hours in the field.

**Field Service Portal**
Cooperating Teachers must register at the Field Services Portal (https://fsp.unm.edu/) and are encouraged to contact their teacher candidate’s UNM Supervisor and/or the Elementary Education Program Coordinator with questions or concerns about cooperating teacher policies and procedures.

**Change of Placement**
Change of Placement requests are only honored in extenuating circumstances such as the cooperating teacher changing schools, retiring, or when a serious conflict occurs. Any teacher candidate seeking a Change of Placement for Semester 2 or 3 Practicum must submit a Change of Placement request by the October 31/March 31 deadlines.

**Middle School Placements**
All students are typically placed at the elementary school level during their Semester 1 Practicum. Any student wishing to switch to a middle school level should submit their requests by October 31/March 31 of their Semester 1 Practicum.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

SEMESTER I PRACTICUM COOPERATING TEACHERS

1. When does my Semester 1 Practicum Teacher Candidate report to my school?
   Reporting dates vary from semester to semester. Unless there is a delay with your Teacher
   Candidate’s paperwork, your TC will report to your school no later than the second week of the
   UNM academic semester.

2. What hours are my Semester 1 Practicum Teacher Candidate required to be at school?
   Semester 1 Practicum teacher candidates are required to be at your school two full school days
   per week for 16 weeks for a total of 30 days during the semester. Typically, students take classes
   Mondays and Tuesdays and are in the field Thursdays and Fridays. As the cooperating teacher,
   you will work with your teacher candidate to determine the weekly schedule. Semester 1
   Practicum teacher candidates are required to spend the full “teacher day” at the school (and
   arrive 5-10 minutes early/stay 5-10 after dismissal). Semester 1 Practicum I students should not
   have an early release day as one of their field days. If your school has an early release day on one
   of the designated field days, please notify the TC’s UNM Supervisor so alternative arrangements
   can be made.

3. May my Teacher Candidate assist me/attend meetings/participate in school events outside of
   the regularly scheduled days?
   Teacher candidates may volunteer on days/times beyond the required. However, they may not
   use those hours toward their student teaching hours. For liability purposes, please make sure
   your TC has submitted a volunteer application (or followed other volunteer procedures as
   required by your district).

4. Does my Teacher Candidate assist me during my planning? See “Pacing Guide for Teaching
   Responsibilities” in this Handbook, p. 62) Cooperating teachers are strongly encouraged to set
   aside time to plan alongside their teacher candidates. We hope that Teacher Candidates are
   considered co-teachers in the classroom as opposed to visiting guests.

5. What evaluations do I complete for my Teacher Candidate and when are they due?
   During Semester 1 Practicum, cooperating teachers are currently asked to have student teachers
   begin teaching small groups, then whole group, and after mid-semester, conduct 1 formal
   observation of their teacher candidates and submit their evaluation to Tk20. The rubric follows
   NMTEACH.

6. Will there be a University Supervisor who will visit and observe my Teacher Candidate?
   Yes, there will be a University Supervisor who will visit and observe your Teacher Candidate 1
   time during Semester 1, they may also visit once for an informal visit and once to conduct a
   formal observation. In addition, you may request or be asked to participate in an end of
   semester conference involving both the teacher candidate and University Supervisor.
7. What are my Teacher Candidate’s responsibilities with regard to “duties” (i.e., lunch, recess, etc.)? During the first semester of student teaching, your Teacher Candidate should attend all duties assigned to you along with you. He or she should learn what is expected on such duties and “shadow” you as you attend to your duty position. TC should attend Parent Teacher Conferences, faculty meetings, IEP meetings as appropriate. Semester 1 Teacher Candidates should NOT serve duties alone.

8. Is it appropriate to ask my Teacher Candidate to perform preparation tasks such as copying/cutting etc.? It is certainly appropriate to ask your TC to help with preparation and planning tasks. However, Semester 1 Practicum TCs will benefit from observing you teach as much as possible. If preparation tasks keep them out of the classroom for long periods of time, they will not benefit from observing your expertise, so please try to keep this in mind when assigning such tasks.

9. How much teaching can or should my Teacher Candidate do? (See “Pacing Guide for Teaching Responsibilities” p. 62)

If you are a Cooperating Teacher at a Targeted Partnership school site with an on-site UNM faculty member, the embedded faculty member at your site will be available for guidance on how to scaffold the teaching experience for your Teacher Candidate (TC).

For all other “traditional” models of student teaching, your Teacher Candidate can do as much teaching as you both feel comfortable allowing. Allowing TCs to begin working as soon as possible with individual students is strongly encouraged. Once you and your TC are comfortable, the TC should progress soon after to working with small groups, and then with the entire class. All Semester 1 Teacher Candidates will be taking methods coursework, and field experience assignments will be required of them. Please provide ample opportunities for your Teacher Candidate to complete these assignments.

The decision regarding when your TC is ready to begin teaching the entire class should be an agreement between the two of you, noting that this is a case-by-case decision. No two Teacher Candidates are ready to take over the whole class at the same time, but with adequate experience and preparation with individual students and small groups, the TC will be ready to conduct whole class lessons by mid-semester or sooner.

Helping TCs reflect upon their teaching is a critical role that you and the UNM supervisor have. Begin any feedback discussion by asking what he or she feels is going well in the classroom and asking why he or she feels that way. Then ask your TC what he or she might do differently and, again, ask him or her to explain why. After the Teacher Candidate has had an opportunity to reflect upon his or her teaching, share what you felt went well in the lesson and why, and then, if appropriate, select one aspect of the lesson to offer suggestions for improvement on. Whenever possible, provide your TC with written feedback or a written summary of your discussion so that he or she can return to these notes in the future to see progress across time.

10. What do I do if I have a concern about my Teacher Candidate’s progress?
Sooner is MUCH better than later if you have a concern. We want you to feel free to contact the Program Coordinator with any and all concerns you may have with your Teacher Candidate. You may also communicate your concerns to your TC’s UNM Supervisor. These concerns may involve professionalism, organizational skills, appropriate language and conduct, appropriate dress, confidence, punctuality, or any other issue of which you may have a concern.

A Mid-Term Conference Form is available in the Forms Handbook on the Field Services Website (fsp.unm.edu or fsp@unm.edu) for formal documentation of concerns. Complete this form, discuss your concerns with your Teacher Candidate as well as their UNM Supervisor, and contact the UNM Elementary Education Program Coordinator. The sooner we address issues of concern, the sooner the TC can begin to work to improve the challenge area and continue on the path to a successful teaching career. The Elementary Education Program will also follow the TEACHER CANDIDATE CONTINUATION POLICY when student issues arise.

11. What do I do if my Teacher Candidate has trouble arriving on time/remaining for full day? First, have a direct and frank conversation with your Teacher Candidate about late arrival/early departure. State your expectations, refer to the contract signed at the beginning of the semester, and state that you expect a change to occur. If a change does not occur the very next day, or if the behavior continues, please contact the UNM Elementary Education Coordinator, who may recommend using the Informal Review forms in the TEACHER CANDIDATE CONTINUATION POLICY. Teacher Candidates should be required to sign in at the school office each day. In addition, they must sign in on their TIME LOG on Tk20 to document their daily arrival/departure times. We request that the CT Log on Tk20 once per week to verify the TC’s attendance. (See APPENDIX in this document for directions to log on to Tk20 TIME LOG) Regardless of the format, evidence should be readily available to discuss any arrival/early dismissal issues as they arise.

12. Will this Teacher Candidate be able to stay in my class next semester? Yes, your Teacher Candidate will remain in your school, if not your classroom, not only for the 2nd semester of the practicum experience, but hopefully to complete the 3rd semester of fulltime student teaching also. That being said, we strongly encourage you to provide your Teacher Candidate with opportunities to observe multiple grade levels and diverse classroom environments within your school (or even at a neighboring school). Only extenuating circumstances would necessitate a change in placement for subsequent semesters. If you and your TC decide a Change of Placement is necessary, and your TC makes a formal request with Field Services, there is very little chance that the TC will be able to return to your classroom if he or she has a change of heart down the road. Please keep this in mind when discussing this possibility. While this is not uniform across all schools, it is likely you will stay with your teacher candidate.

13. Can my Teacher Candidate substitute teach for me or another teacher in my building? Teacher Candidates who hold valid Substitute Teaching Licenses may only substitute for you or another teacher in your building on the days not designated as required field experience days.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Semester 1 Practicum Teacher Candidates

1. What if I need to drop a course?
If you feel you need to withdraw from a course please contact the Program Coordinator so we can figure out a plan for you to re-take the course(s). All methods coursework should be completed prior to the start of your final field experience.

2. What if I need to keep 15 credit hours for scholarship?
You should add any remaining Core/Teaching Field/Endorsement courses. You may also take any remaining EDPY required coursework.

3. When do I report to my school?
Reporting dates vary from semester to semester. You will report to your school on the date the UNM Class Schedule states you should report. You must first have completed your background check, have obtained your liability insurance, and be registered for your seminar before you will be permitted to be in the field. Please make every attempt to take care of these things before the start of the semester. If all requirements are complete, you may begin your field experience the first week of UNM’s academic semester.

4. May I assist my CT/attend meetings/participate in school events prior to the start of the semester or outside of my regularly scheduled days?
You may volunteer on days/times beyond the required. However, you may not use those hours toward your student teaching hours. For liability purposes, please make sure you have submitted a volunteer application (or followed other volunteer procedures as required by your district).

5. What hours am I required to be at school?
Semester 1 Teacher Candidates are required to be at your school two full school days per week for 16 weeks. (minimum) during the semester. Typically, you will take classes Mondays and Tuesdays (some courses may meet on Wednesdays) and will be in the field Thursdays and Fridays. First Semester Teacher Candidates are required to work the “teacher day.” In addition, out of professional courtesy for your Cooperating Teacher, you are expected to arrive at least 5-10 minutes early and follow your CT’s required duty day.

6. Am I expected to assist my Cooperating Teacher during his or her planning? See “Pacing Guide for Teaching Requirements” in this Handbook, p. 62)
Cooperating teachers are strongly encouraged to set aside time to plan alongside their Teacher Candidate. We hope that Teacher Candidates are considered co-teachers in the classroom as opposed to visiting guests.

7. Am I required to sign in at my school?
Yes, you will sign in at the office every day you are at school. You will either sign in on a special form created by your school specifically for Teacher Candidates, or you will sign in using the pre-existing school visitor sign-in sheet.

You will also sign in on your TIME LOG in Tk20 and your CT will validate your noted times. See APPENDIX for directions.

8. Will a University Supervisor visit and observe my teaching? Yes, a University Supervisor will visit you at least two times during Semester 1 Practicum. Once for an informal visit and once for formal observation(s). In addition, you will also sit in on an end of semester conference with both your Cooperating Teacher and your Supervisor. Please reach out to your Supervisor throughout the semester with questions or concerns you may have regarding your field experience.

9. Will my Cooperating Teacher be required to observe me? Yes, your CT should conduct at least one formal observation throughout the semester and upload his or her feedback in Tk20.

10. What happens if I score low on my observation evaluations? The scores you receive on your formal evaluations are mainly intended to provide you with feedback. They also provide your University Supervisor (US) and Cooperating Teacher (CT) with insight into improving your teaching. Note: If you perform poorly on one of your lesson observations, the US will ask you to teach another lesson and provide you with one more opportunity to be observed.

11. What forms will I need to complete?
   - Semester 1 Practicum Teacher Candidates will complete the following forms:
     - Attendance TIMELOG in Tk20 confirming hours present at school (please have your CT sign this log weekly. You will submit your hours to TK20.
     - Formal lesson plans. Please submit formal lesson plans to your University Supervisor/Cooperating Teacher at least 48 hours prior to your scheduled observation.
     - Final Reflective Statement on Your Accomplishments in Teaching in the Field (200-300 Words).
     - Other forms and assignments as indicated in Methods Classes and Seminar.

You and your cooperating teacher will determine when and what you will teach. We recommend that cooperating teachers provide teacher candidates with opportunities to begin working with students as soon as possible. Once you are comfortable, you should progress soon after to working with small groups, and then with the entire class.
The decision regarding when you are ready to begin teaching the entire class should be an agreement between the two of you, noting that this is a case-by-case decision. No two teacher candidates are ready to take over the whole class at the same time, but with adequate experience and preparation with individual students and small groups, you should be ready to conduct whole class instruction by mid-semester or sooner.

13. Will I be expected to perform classroom preparation tasks such as copying/cutting etc. and/or grading? Classroom preparation/grading are a large part of teaching. You should expect to help with classroom preparation/grading tasks such as copying, cutting manipulatives, sorting, etc. as well as grading. You and your Cooperating Teacher should determine together how much time will be spent on such tasks.

14. What are my responsibilities with regard to “duties” (i.e., lunch, recess, etc.)? During Practicum I, you should attend all duties assigned to your Cooperating Teacher. You should learn what is expected on such duties and “shadow” your Cooperating Teacher while he or she attends to the duty position. Teacher Candidates should not serve duties alone. If you have any concerns about the duties you are asked to perform, please discuss these concerns with your University Supervisor.

15. Will I be able to stay in my class next semester? While this may not be uniform at all school sites, you will likely remain. Yes, the program is designed so you will remain in your classroom not only for the Semester 1 & 2 Practicums, but hopefully to complete Semester 3 Student Teaching as well. That being said, we strongly encourage you to self-advocate for opportunities to observe other classrooms/grade levels during this first semester. You and your cooperating teacher should come up with a plan to give you a wide perspective on teaching children of multiple ages and abilities.

Change of Placement requests are only honored in extenuating circumstances such as your Cooperating Teacher changing schools/retiring or when a serious conflict occurs. If you decide to change your placement for the upcoming semester, the deadlines are October 31 and March 31 for Spring and Fall semesters, respectively. Once you give up a placement, there is no guarantee a new placement will be located for you without interruption of your field experience requirements. Once a Change of Placement Request is made in the Field Services Portal, your existing placement becomes available for reassignment. Once this happens, even if your previous CT is willing to have you return to the classroom, it may not be possible to reassign you to the same classroom because another teacher candidate may already be in the process of being assigned. Please keep this in mind when making the decision to request a change of placement.

16. Can I substitute for my Cooperating Teacher or another teacher in my building? Teacher Candidates who hold valid Substitute Teaching Licenses may only substitute for their CTs or another teacher on the days not designated as their required field experience days. The COE and school districts often encourage TCs to seek a Substitute Teacher License within their school district due to shortages of substitutes in schools.
SEMESTER II PRACTICUM OVERVIEW
Courses and Practicum II

In the second semester of the Elementary Education Teacher Education program teacher candidates take methods course and work a field practicum two days a week.

Below are brief descriptions of the methods courses teacher candidates take during their first semester of practicum. Completion of coursework assignments may require the teacher candidate to interact with one or more students in the classroom. Cooperating teachers are asked to be as flexible and accommodating as possible to allow for the completion of these assignments.

SEMESTER 2: DESCRIPTION OF METHODS COURSES TAKEN TOGETHER

EDUC 321L: Teaching Social Studies K-8 (3 credit hours)
Catalog Description: Development of conceptual framework for study of community-based curriculum with emphasis on the diverse cultures of the southwest and value clarification. Supervised work with children allows for in-depth analysis of both content and process.

EDUC 331L: Teaching of Reading to Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students II (3 credit hours)
Catalog Description: Establishing a theoretical framework for exploring various approaches to reading/language development, instruction and evaluation in multicultural classroom settings.

SPCD 489: Teaching Exceptional Students in General Education (3 credit hours)
This course is specifically designed for general education majors with no minor in special education. It provides information about student characteristics, legal issues, resources, parent partnerships, and appropriate modifications in curriculum, instruction, and behavioral supports.

DIVERSITY STRAND COURSE #3 (DETERMINED BY STUDENT)
NOTE 1: Students seeking an Endorsement in Bilingual Education, take courses in Bilingual Education for their Diversity Strand. NOTE 2: Students seeking an Endorsement in TESOL, take courses in TESOL for their Diversity Strand.

SEMESTER 2: PRACTICUM COURSES TAKEN TOGETHER WITH METHODS & DIVERSITY COURSES LISTED ABOVE
EDUC 402L “Creating Effective K-8 Learning Environments II” (1 credit hour Seminar)
EDUC 412L “K-8 Field Experience 2” (2 credit hours Field Component)
1) Ideally, Teacher Candidates (TCs) begin their second semester with the same school and teacher. They continue to work in the classroom two (2) full days each week (typically Wednesdays and Thursdays) for 16 weeks. TCs are required to arrive early and stay later than the regular school day. In semester 2, teacher candidates will adhere to the duty day of the teacher. This enables TCs and their Cooperating Teachers (CTs) to discuss/prepare the day’s activities. Because many schools have early release days on Wednesdays, **TCs are expected to remain at the school and participate in professional development/planning with their CTs.** If this poses a conflict, please contact the Elementary Education Program Coordinator to discuss alternative options.

2) TCs are allowed up to two excused absences from their field experience provided the TC arranges to make up the time. All absences must be reported to the cooperating teacher, the university supervisor, and the seminar instructor. Two or more late arrivals and early departures may be counted as an absence. If absences exceed two, the Program Coordinator should be notified.

3) All TCs are required to attend seminar meetings. These seminars cover observation, classroom management, evaluation, and other topics. **Seminars are mandatory. Dates and times are arranged by the instructor, and differ from semester to semester.** All absences require make-up work.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SEMESTER 2 PRACTICUM:**

**Holiday/Seasonal Breaks**
In Semester 2 Practicum, when UNM and district **holidays/seasonal breaks** do not coincide, TCs are encouraged to discuss their wishes for observance with their cooperating teachers. Arrangements can be made on a case-by-case basis as long as TCs meet the required number of hours in the field.

**Field Service Portal**
Cooperating Teachers must register at the Field Services Portal ([https://fsp.unm.edu](https://fsp.unm.edu)) and are encouraged to contact their teacher candidate’s UNM Supervisor and/or the Elementary Education Program Coordinator with questions or concerns about cooperating teacher policies and procedures.

**Change of Placement**
Change of Placement requests are only honored in extenuating circumstances such as the cooperating teacher changing schools, retiring, or when a serious conflict occurs. Any Semester 2 Practicum teacher candidate seeking a Change of Placement for Semester 3 Student Teaching must submit a Change of Placement request by the **October 31/March 31** deadlines to change placements.

**Middle School Placements**
Any student wishing to switch to a middle school level should submit their requests by **October 31/March 31** of their Semester 2 Practicum.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) for SEMESTER 2 PRACTICUM COOPERATING TEACHERS

1. When does my Semester 2 Practicum Teacher Candidate report to my school?
Reporting dates vary from semester to semester. Unless there is a delay with your TC’s paperwork, your TC will report to your school no later than the second week of the UNM academic semester.

2. What hours is my Semester 2 Practicum Teacher Candidate required to be at school?
Semester 2 Practicum Teacher Candidates are required to be at your school two (2) full school days per week for 16 weeks. Typically, students attend classes on the university campus Mondays and Tuesdays and are in the field Wednesdays & Thursdays or Thursdays & Fridays. Semester 2 Practicum TCs are required to work the “teacher day” and arrive fifteen minutes before first period and stay fifteen minutes after the last period. This additional time is meant to give you and your TC time to prepare/debrief the day’s activities. If your school observes an early release on one of these days, please arrange for your TC to attend any required planning meetings/professional development that might occur on these afternoons. TC are expected to adhere to the CT’s Duty Day. If for some reason, this poses a conflict for you or your school, please contact the Elementary Ed Program Coordinator so alternative arrangements can be made.

3. May my Teacher Candidate assist me/attend meetings/participate in school events outside of their regularly scheduled days?
Students may volunteer on days/times beyond the required. However, they may not use those hours toward their student teaching hours. For liability purposes, please make sure they have submitted a volunteer application (or followed other volunteer procedures as required by your district). See “Pacing Guide for Teaching Responsibilities” in this Handbook, p. 62)

4. Does my Teacher Candidate assist me during my planning?
Cooperating teachers are strongly encouraged to set aside time to plan alongside their Teacher Candidate. We hope that Teacher Candidates are considered co-teachers in the classroom as opposed to visiting guests.

5. What evaluations do I complete for my Teacher Candidate and when are they due?
You are responsible for submitting one formal evaluation in Tk20. We strongly encourage you to provide ongoing informal feedback to your teacher candidate.

6. Will a University Supervisor visit and observe my Teacher Candidate?
Yes, there will be a University Supervisor who will visit with and observe your Teacher Candidate two times during Semester 2, once for an informal visit and once to conduct 1 formal observation. In addition, you may also be asked to participate in an end of semester conference involving both the teacher candidate as well as his or her supervisor.
7. When can my Teacher Candidate begin teaching? (See “Pacing Guide for Teaching Responsibilities” in this Handbook, p. 62)

Teacher Candidates should begin the semester immediately working with individual students/small groups of students. The TC should begin conducting whole class activities and lessons within the first month of the semester. Please note, teacher candidates are still taking methods coursework at this time and will have field experience assignments they will be asked to complete in the classroom.

Helping TCs reflect upon their teaching is a critical role that you and the UNM supervisor have. Begin any feedback discussion by asking what he or she feels is going well in the classroom and asking why he or she feels that way. Then ask your TC what he or she might do differently and, again, ask him or her to explain why. After the Teacher Candidate has had an opportunity to reflect upon his or her teaching, share what you felt went well in the lesson and why, and then, if appropriate, select one aspect of the lesson to offer suggestions for improvement on. Whenever possible, provide your TC with written feedback or a written summary of your discussion so that he or she can return to these notes in the future to see progress across time.

8. What are my Teacher Candidate’s responsibilities with regard to “duties” (i.e., lunch, recess, etc)?

During the second semester of Student Teaching, your Teacher Candidate should still attend all duties assigned to you along with you. He or she should learn what is expected on such duties and “shadow” you as you attend to your duty position. Semester 2 Practicum Teacher Candidates should NOT serve duties alone.

9. Is it appropriate to ask my Teacher Candidate to perform preparation tasks such as copying/cutting etc.? It is certainly appropriate to ask your TC to help with preparation tasks. However, Semester 2 TCs will benefit most from both observing you teach and from they themselves teaching as much as possible. If preparation tasks keep them out of the classroom for long periods of time, they may lose out on those valuable opportunities, so please try to keep this in mind when assigning such tasks.

10. What do I do if I have a concern about my Teacher Candidate’s progress?

Sooner is MUCH better than later if you have a concern. We want you to feel free to contact the Program Coordinator with any and all concerns you may have with your Teacher Candidate. You may also communicate your concerns to your TC’s UNM Supervisor. These concerns may involve professionalism, organizational skills, appropriate language and conduct, appropriate dress, confidence, punctuality, or any other issue of which you may have a concern.

A Mid-Term Conference Form is available for download from the Field Services Portal (http://fsp.unm.edu) for formal documentation of concerns. Complete this form, discuss your concerns with your TC as well as his or her UNM Supervisor, and contact the UNM Elementary Education Coordinator. The sooner we address issues of concern, the sooner the TC can begin to work to overcome the challenge and continue on the path to a successful teaching career. The Elementary Education Program will also follow the TEACHER CANDIDATE CONTINUATION POLICY when student issues arise. https://coehs.unm.edu/uploads/docs/coe-main/2019-20-unm-coe-epp-continuation-policy.pdf
NOTE: The Program Coordinator should be alerted to the issue sooner than later at eled@unm.edu, and University Supervisors and Cooperating Teachers can submit Informal Review forms to the Program Coordinator as found in the TEACHER CANDIDATE CONTINUATION POLICY https://coehs.unm.edu/uploads/docs/coe-main/2019-20-unm-coe-epp-continuation-policy.pdf. This form allows us to begin a process of close monitoring of the Teacher Candidates actions to further assist them on their journey to becoming a teacher.

11. Can I have a Mid-Term Conference even if my Teacher Candidate is doing well?
Yes, absolutely. Sitting down for an in-depth conversation about your Teacher Candidate’s progress can be extremely helpful both for you and for your Teacher Candidate.

12. Will this Teacher Candidate be able to stay in my class next semester?
Your Teacher Candidate will most likely remain in your classroom for Semester 3 Student Teaching. Extenuating circumstances may arise that necessitate a change in placement for the next semester. If for some reason you and your TC decide a Change of Placement is necessary, and your TC makes a formal request with Field Services, there is very little chance that the TC will be able to return to your classroom if he or she has a change of heart down the road. Please keep this in mind when discussing this possibility.

13. Can my Teacher Candidate sub for me or another teacher in my building? Teacher Candidates who hold valid Substitute Teaching Licenses may only sub for you or another teacher in your building on the days not designated as their required field experience days.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) for SEMESTER 2 PRACTICUM TEACHER CANDIDATES

1. What if I need to drop a course?
If for any reason, you feel you need to withdraw from a course, please contact the Program Coordinator at eled@unm.edu so we can figure out a plan for you to re-take the course. All methods coursework should be completed prior to the start of Semester 3 Student Teaching.

2. What if I need to keep 15 hours for scholarship?
- Take any remaining Core/Teaching Field/Endorsement courses
- Take EDPY 310
- Contact the Program Coordinator at eled@unm.edu.

3. What if I requested a change of placement, but I still do not have a new placement? Please contact Field Services fsp@unm.edu and the Program Coordinator at eled@unm.edu.

4. When do I report to my school?
Reporting dates vary from semester to semester. Unless there is a delay with your paperwork/registration, you will report to your school on the date the UNM Class Schedule states you should begin.

5. May I assist my CT/attend meetings/participate in school events prior to the start of the semester or outside of my regularly scheduled days?
You may volunteer on days/times beyond the required, but, you may not use those hours toward your student teaching hours. For liability purposes, please make sure you have submitted a volunteer application (or followed other volunteer procedures as required by your district).

6. Should I assist my Cooperating Teacher during planning? Cooperating teachers are strongly encouraged to set aside time to plan alongside their Teacher Candidate. We hope that Teacher Candidates are considered co-teachers in the classroom as opposed to visiting guests.

7. What hours am I required to be at school?
Semester 2 Practicum Teacher Candidates are still required to be at your school two (2) full school days per week for 16 weeks. Typically, you will attend classes on campus Mondays and Tuesdays and will be in the field Wednesdays, Thursdays or Fridays. Semester 2 Practicum TCs are required to work the “teacher day” as well as an additional 30 mins spread out before and after the school day. This means, please arrive fifteen minutes before first period and stay fifteen minutes after the last period. This additional time is meant to give you and your CT time to prepare/debrief the day’s activities. If your school observes an early release on one of these days, please plan to attend any planning meetings/professional development alongside your CT on these afternoons. TCs are still expected to adhere to the CT’s duty day. If for some reason, this poses a conflict for your CT or your school, please contact the University Supervisor or Elementary Ed Program Coordinator so alternative arrangements can be made.
8. What forms do I complete?
Semester 2 Practicum Teacher Candidates are required to complete these forms:

- Daily TIME LOG attendance posted in TK20 and Tk20 binder sent to supervisor.
- 2 Formal lesson plans following the UNM NMTeach lesson plan template. Please submit one formal lesson plan to your CT 48 hours prior to your scheduled observation and one formal lesson plan to your University Supervisor at least 48 hours prior to your scheduled observation.
- Self-Assessment of Dispositions Form in Tk20.
- Other forms and assignments as required in Methods Courses and Seminar.
- Final Reflective Statement on Your Accomplishments in Teaching this Semester in the Field (200-300 words) at the end of Semester II Practicum and posted in Tk20.

With your CT’s direction, you should begin the semester immediately working with individual students and small groups of students. You should begin conducting whole class activities and lessons within the first month of the semester. If you feel as though you are not receiving enough opportunities to teach, please approach your CT and have an honest conversation about your concerns. If by mid-semester, you still feel as though your opportunities are too limited within the classroom, please discuss these concerns with your supervisor.

10. Will I be able to stay in my class next semester?
Yes, you will remain in your classroom for Semester 3 Student Teaching.

Change of Placement requests are only honored in extenuating circumstances such as your Cooperating Teacher changing schools/retiring or when a serious conflict occurs. If you decide to change your placement for the upcoming semester, the deadlines are October 31 and March 31 for Spring and Fall semesters, respectively. We strongly encourage all TCs to establish a strong rapport with their CT prior to going into their final semester of student teaching. Change of placements between second and third semester are not recommended.

Once you give up a placement, there is no guarantee a new placement will be located for you without interruption of your student teaching requirements. Once a Change of Placement Request is made in the Field Services Portal, your existing placement becomes available for reassignment. Once this happens, even if your previous CT is willing to have you return to his or her classroom, it may not be possible to reassign you to the same classroom because another Teacher Candidate may already be in the process of being assigned. Please keep this in mind when making the decision to request a change of placement.

11. Can I sub for my Cooperating Teacher or another teacher in the building? Teacher Candidates who hold valid Substitute Teaching Licenses may only sub for their Cooperating Teachers or other teachers in their buildings on the days in which they are not required to be in the field.

12. When should I take additional state licensure exams? Teacher candidates should begin taking their state licensure exams during/after completing the Semester 2 Practicum and in the early part of Semester 3 Student Teaching of the program (See page 37 of this Handbook).
SEMESTER 3 STUDENT TEACHING OVERVIEW
Student Teaching and Seminar

The majority of students in their final semester of the program will be finished with coursework and all required state licensure exams. Some may still be working on finishing up their teaching field and/or endorsement coursework. However, **all students must have successfully passed all methods coursework** and previous seminar work before entering fulltime student teaching.

SEMESTER 3 STUDENT TEACHING: COURSES TAKEN TOGETHER
EDUC 403L “Using Assessment: Creating Effective K-8 Learning Environments 3” (1 credit hour Seminar)
EDUC 413L “K-8 Field Experience III - Student Teaching” (6 credit hours Field Component)

1) Teacher Candidates begin their Semester 3 Student Teaching typically with the same school and teacher. They work in the classroom every day each week for 16 weeks. Teacher Candidates in their final semester are required to follow the Cooperating Teacher’s duty day. This enables TCs and their Cooperating Teachers (CTs) to discuss/prepare the day’s activities.

2) TCs are allowed up to two excused absences from their field experience provided the TC makes up the time. **All absences must be reported to the Cooperating Teacher, the University Supervisor, and the Seminar Instructor and made up after the semester is over.** Two or more late arrivals and early departures may be counted as an absence. If absences exceed two, the Program Coordinator should be notified.

3) All TCs are required to attend seminar meetings. **Seminars are mandatory. Dates and times are arranged by the instructor, and so differ from semester to semester.** However, TCs can expect them to be on a week day in the early afternoon or evening or online.

4) In Semester 3 Student Teaching, students should follow their school site’s schedule.

Co-Requisites EDUC 403L/413L must be taken together: Semester 3 Student Teaching
Teacher Candidates are responsible for completing the following:

- **Letter of Introduction to Parents:** Students will write a letter to parents introducing themselves and explaining their role in the classroom during the semester. If the Teacher Candidate is continuing in the same classroom with the same group of students, this letter can explain the expanded role he or she will have in the classroom this semester.

- **Attendance Log:** Students will be required to **attend the classroom 5 days per week.** Students will complete their **TIMELOG hours in Tk20** that requires weekly signatures of the Cooperating Teacher.

- **Lesson Plans:** Students will write a detailed lesson plan for 3 formal observations using the UNM NMTeach Lesson Plan Template. Each lesson plan must receive a “Pass” or will be resubmitted until mastery has been achieved.

- **Professional Development Plan:** Students will complete a professional development plan choosing one indicator from each NM Teach domain to focus on.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

SEMESTER 3 COOPERATING TEACHERS

1. When does my Semester 3 Teacher Candidate report to my school?
Your Teacher Candidate will report to school as indicated in the UNM Class Schedule.

2. What hours is my Semester 3 Teacher Candidate required to be at school?
Semester 3 Teacher Candidates are required to be at your school every day for 16 weeks for the entire duty day. As the Cooperating Teacher, you will work with your Teacher Candidate to determine the weekly schedule and how the extra hour per day will be scheduled.
NOTE: TCs and CTs will log in and approve the TCs reported times in Tk20 TIMELOG.

3. What evaluations do I complete for my Teacher Candidate and when are they due?
Please submit 3 formal evaluations in Tk20.

4. Does my Teacher Candidate assist me during my planning?
Cooperating teachers are strongly encouraged to set aside time to plan alongside their Teacher Candidate. We hope that Teacher Candidates are considered co-teachers in the classroom as opposed to visiting guests. In addition, during this final semester, Teacher Candidates should be responsible for fully planning at least some of the daily lessons.

5. When can my Teacher Candidate begin teaching? (See “Pacing Guide for Teaching Responsibilities” in this Handbook, p. 62)
You and your Teacher Candidate should determine his or her teaching schedule. If you are a Cooperating Teacher at one of our partnership schools, this process may look slightly different. However, all TCs should begin to take over a subject area or class period by the second week of the semester, if not sooner. This assumption should gradually increase to the required minimum of (three) 3 consecutive weeks of Full Assumption of the teacher’s entire teaching schedule including lesson plans (again, CTs in partnership sites should consult with the on-site faculty member to determine appropriate scaffolding of teaching assumption).

During remote teaching a Co-Teaching Model can be used for Full-Assumption as long as there is evidence of ample planning. For examples of adequate planning see the following website: https://education.wm.edu/centers/ttac/documents/packets/coteaching.pdf

Implementing Co-Teaching Strategies/Models
I. One Teach/One Observe
II. One Teach, One Assist/Prompt
III. Parallel Teaching
IV. Alternative or Differentiated Teaching
V. Station Teaching
VI. Team Teaching/Co-Teaching
Helping TCs reflect upon their teaching is a critical role that you and the UNM supervisor have. Begin any post-observation discussion with your TC by asking what he or she felt went well in the lesson and why he or she feels that way. Then ask your TC what he or she would do differently and, again, ask him or her to explain why. After the Teacher Candidate has had an opportunity to reflect upon his or her teaching, share what you felt went well in the lesson and why, and then, if appropriate, select one aspect of the lesson to offer suggestions for improvement on. Whenever possible, provide your TC with written feedback or a written summary of your post-conference discussion so that he or she can return to these notes in the future to see progress across time.

6. What do I do if I have a concern about my Teacher Candidate’s progress?
Contacting the Seminar Instructor or Supervisor Sooner is MUCH better than later if you have a concern. We want you to feel free to contact the Program Coordinator with any and all concerns you may have with your Teacher Candidate (see College of Education & Human Sciences faculty & staff contacts on our website http://coehs.unm.edu or ask your TC’s supervisor for contact info). You may also communicate your concerns to your TC’s UNM Supervisor. These concerns may involve professionalism, organizational skills, appropriate language and conduct, appropriate dress, confidence, punctuality, or any other issue of which you may have a concern.

A Mid-Term Conference Form is available for download from the Field Services Portal https://fieldservice.unm.edu for formal documentation of concerns. Complete this form, discuss your concerns with your Teacher Candidate as well as their UNM Supervisor, and contact the UNM Elementary Education Coordinator. The sooner we address issues of concern, the sooner the TC can begin to work to correct the problem and continue on the path to a successful teaching career. **You do not have to wait until mid-term if you feel the concern is serious.** The TEACHER CANDIDATE CONTINUATION POLICY will also be used to address student issues https://coehs.unm.edu/uploads/docs/coe-main/2019-20-unm-coe-epp-contiinuation-policy.pdf.

7. Can I have a Mid-Term Conference even if my Teacher Candidate is doing well?
Yes, absolutely. Sitting down for an in-depth conversation about your Teacher Candidate’s progress can be extremely helpful both for you and for your Teacher Candidate.

8. Can my Teacher Candidate sub for me? Teacher Candidates who hold valid Substitute Teaching Licenses and are in their third and final semester of student teaching may sub for their CTs for up to ten days.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

SEMESTER 3 TEACHER CANDIDATES

1. Why is Semester 3 Student Teaching (EDUC 403L & EDUC 413L combined) 7 credit hours?
   Only 15 credit hours total over all three semesters can be counted toward graduation. This is a university policy. On the other hand, the state requires a minimum of 9 credit hours of in-the-field training. We have attempted to meet both university and state requirements in determining the amount of field/seminar credit hours.

2. What if I need 15 credit hours to keep my scholarship?
   We strongly encourage you to consider pursuing additional hours toward a bilingual/TESOL/special education endorsement, as these areas of expertise are highly sought after for teachers. In addition, you might consider pursuing additional hours toward a math and science teaching field, as these too are high needs areas for local districts.

3. When do I report to my school?
   You will report to your school in the third semester the day that is indicated in the UNM Class Schedule for EDUC 403L & EDUC 413L. Be sure to communicate with your CT so you know the expectations for the start of the semester. If you are not with the same CT as you were the previous semester, please contact Field Services (https://fieldservice.unm.edu) to help you determine your reporting date.

4. Should I assist my Cooperating Teacher during planning?
   Cooperating teachers are strongly encouraged to set aside time to plan alongside their Teacher Candidate. We hope that Teacher Candidates are considered co-teachers in the classroom as opposed to visiting guests. In addition, during this final semester, Teacher Candidates should be responsible for fully planning at least some of the daily lessons. See “Pacing Guide for Teaching Responsibilities” in this Handbook, p. 62)

5. When am I required to be at school?
   You are required to be at your school every day of the week for 16 weeks for the entire duty day. You will work with your Cooperating Teacher to determine the weekly schedule and how the extra hour per day will be scheduled.

6. What forms do I complete?
   For Semester 3 Student Teaching, you are required to complete these forms:
   - Attendance TIME LOG online in Tk20 confirming hours present at school, your CT must confirm your attendance online in Tk20 as well (on weekly basis).
   - Three formal lesson plans. Please submit a formal lesson plan to your University Supervisor or Cooperating at lease 48 hours prior to your scheduled observation following the UNM Differentiated NMTEACH Lesson Plan Template.
   - Self-Evaluation of Dispositions online in the Tk20 system
   - Final 200-300 word Reflective Statement on your Accomplishments in Teaching.
- Professional Development Plan uploaded to Tk20
- Other forms and assignments as required in Methods Courses and Seminar.


You and your Cooperating Teacher should determine your teaching schedule using the Student Teaching Planning Guide for assumption of teaching in the Forms Handbook. You should begin to take over a subject area or class period by the second week of the semester, if not sooner. This assumption should gradually increase to the required minimum (three) 3 consecutive weeks of Full Assumption or “SOLO Teach” of the entire teaching schedule. If you are at one of our partnership schools with an embedded faculty member on-site, the expectations for full assumption may look slightly different. Please follow the guidance of your CT and on-site faculty to determine appropriate amounts of teaching time.

Remember that your Cooperating Teacher will provide feedback that is essential to your success and development as a professional in this field. Following each interaction with children, take the time to reflect with your Cooperating Teacher on your thoughts and do not hesitate to ask any questions that may arise from your experience.

8. What are my responsibilities with regard to “duties”?

You should attend all duties assigned to your Cooperating Teacher. You should learn what is expected on such duties and “shadow” your Cooperating Teacher while he or she attends to the duty position. During your full assumption period, you may be asked to attend duties without the presence of your CT. Please discuss your comfort level with these expectations with your CT ahead of time.

9. Am I still required to sign in at my school?

Yes, you will sign in at the office every day you are at school. You will either sign in on a special form created by your school specifically for UNM Teacher Candidates, or you will sign in using the pre-existing school visitor sign in sheet. This procedure is for liability purposes and meant to protect both you as well as the school should a difficult situation arise.

10. If I am not at a partnership school with an embedded faculty member on-site, how long will I need to assume full-responsibility for teaching in my placement?

You are required to assume a minimum of 15 consecutive days of full-responsibility for teaching toward the end of the semester. You and your Cooperating Teacher will discuss the best time period for this full assumption or “SOLO Teach” period. We recommend that you complete your 15 consecutive days at least one week prior to the end of your time in the Cooperating Teacher’s classroom so that there is a transition period in which the teaching responsibilities are transferred from you as the Teacher Candidate back to your Cooperating Teacher.

11. May I sub for my Cooperating Teacher? Teacher Candidates who hold valid Substitute Teaching Licenses and are in their third and final semester of student teaching may sub for their C Ts for up to ten days. However, you MAY NOT sub for other teachers.
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We address critical issues; test new ideas and approaches to teaching and learning; educate professionals who can facilitate human growth and development in schools, homes, communities, and workplaces; and prepare students for participation in a complex and challenging society.

In carrying out our mission we value:

EXCELLENCE in all that we do,
DIVERSITY of people and perspectives,
RELATIONSHIPS of service, accountability, collaboration, and advocacy. The discovery, discussion, and dissemination of IDEAS and INNOVATION in teaching, technology, and leadership.
UNM College of Education & Human Sciences Conceptual Framework

The College of Education & Human Sciences at the University of New Mexico believes that professional education should seek to help individuals develop professional understandings, practices, and identities. These understandings, practices, and identities frame the lifelong learning of professional educators and reflect the values articulated in our Mission Statement and in state and national standards and competencies.

I. UNDERSTANDINGS frame the identity and practice of educational professionals. We seek to help our teacher candidates better understand:

❖ Human Growth and Development
  o Patterns in how individuals develop physically, emotionally, and intellectually. How to provide conditions that promote the growth and learning of individuals from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, including those with special learning needs.

❖ Culture and Language
  o The nature of home, school, community, workplace, state, national, and global contexts for learning. How social groups develop and function and the dynamics of power within and among them. How language and other forms of expression reflect cultural assumptions yet can be used to evoke social change. How one’s own background and development shape understanding and interaction.

❖ Content of the Disciplines
  o The substance of the disciplines educators teach—the central organizing concepts and factual information—and the ways in which new knowledge is created, including the forms of creative investigation that characterize the work of scholars and artists.

❖ Pedagogy
  o Theory and research on effective educational practices. How to create contexts for learning in and across the disciplines. How to assess student learning and design, plan, and implement instruction to meet the needs of learners. How to evaluate educational practice.

❖ Technology
  o Effects of media and technology on knowledge, communication, and society. How to critically analyze and raise awareness of the impact of media and technology. How to use current technology.

❖ Professional Issues
o The social and political influences on education, both historically and currently. 
Local, state, and national policies, including requirements and standards. How to critically analyze and participate in the formation of educational policy. Strategies for leadership, collaboration, and research.

❖ Nature of Knowledge
o How knowledge is constructed within social contexts, including the academic disciplines. The differences and connections among the knowledge constructed in different social contexts. How to conduct inquiry into the nature of knowledge within and across the disciplines.

Rationale for Understandings:
What do we want all of our students—undergraduates and graduates—to know and understand? In our pre-professional courses, our teacher education sequence, and our graduate courses, we have made decisions about what teachers need to know. Our course instructors carry the responsibility for teaching for deep understanding within broad areas of concern and must assess students in ways that provide evidence of Understanding.

II. The above listed Understandings enable pre-service teachers, as professionals, to value and engage in PRACTICES that embody the following qualities:

❖ Learner-Centered
 o Students’ past experiences, cultural backgrounds, interests, capabilities, and understandings are accommodated in learning experiences. Routines promote learner risk-taking and allow learners to take increasing control of their own learning and functioning.

❖ Contextual
 o Experiences engage learners in ways of thinking, doing, talking, writing, reading, etc., that are indicative of the discipline(s) and/or authentic social contexts. Ideas and practices are presented with the richness of their contextual cues and information. Learners are provided with models and opportunities to reflect on their experiences and to relate their learning to other social contexts.

❖ Coherent
 o Learning experiences are organized around the development of concepts and strategies that learners need in order to participate in other similar situations. Learners are assessed on what they had the opportunity to learn.

❖ Culturally Responsive
 o Diversity is valued, and learners are helped to become aware of the impact of culture on how they and others perceive the world.

❖ Technologically Responsive
 o Available technology facilitates learning. Learners are helped to understand the effect of media on their perceptions and communication.
[The Elementary Education Program has added Classroom Management and Professionalism as two additional Practices as expectations for our students.]

Rationale for Practices:

What do we want all of our students to be able to do? This part of our program revolves around classroom teaching Practices—the field experience. Practices should be observable. These [seven] Practices we have listed should be things we can see during the course of the field experience. The skilled, critical observer ought to be able to provide specific descriptions revealing these practices or their absence.

How do we become skilled critical observers of these Practices? According to Elliot Eisner, the “educational critic” must have the ability to reveal the qualities of the act of teaching. This uncovering of qualities is accomplished only by the observer who is skilled at noticing, describing, interpreting, and evaluating a piece of work (in this case, a “piece” of teaching). For Eisner, the most important elements are noticing and describing. Inadequate attention and poor description lead to false or misleading interpretation. The challenge is to educate ourselves—and anyone else we are going to ask to assess the Practices of our pre-service teachers—in the art of classroom observation.

III. Developing a PROFESSIONAL IDENTITY is central to lifelong growth as a professional educator. The University of New Mexico College of Education will help teacher candidates develop the following attributes of a professional:

- Caring
  - Attentive to learners, willingness to listen and withhold judgment, and ability to empathize while maintaining high expectations for learner success.

- Advocacy
  - Committed to ensuring equitable treatment and nurturing environments for all learners.

- Inquisitiveness
  - Habitually inquisitive of the many, ever-changing ways in which knowledge is constructed, how people learn, and how educators can support learning.

- Reflection-in-Action
  - Competent in analyzing, assessing, and revising practice in light of student learning, research and theory, and collegial feedback.

- Communication
  - Skilled in speaking, writing, and using other modes of expression.

- Collaboration
  - Skilled collaborators with students, parents, community members, and colleagues.

- Ethical Behavior
  - Aware of and competent in working within the ethical codes of the profession.
Rationale for Dispositions & Habits of Mind:
The Dispositions & Habits of Mind that are listed and described in our Conceptual Framework reflect our values, attitudes, and beliefs about the profession of teaching. It is not an accident that we have placed “caring” at the top of our list of those qualities “central to the growth of a life-long educator.” It reminds us to look for this quality in our students; it should also remind us of our responsibility for modeling this disposition in our relationships with our students and with one another. Listen to our langue: “Caring: Attentive to learners, willingness to listen and withhold judgment, and ability to empathize while maintaining high expectations for learner success.” We have listed these Dispositions separately from Understandings and Practices, although clearly they overlap. “Caring,” for example, is conceptual; how we understand it influences how we enact (Practice) it.

The evidence for the qualities we hope to engender and sustain in our pre-service teachers—qualities of mind and heart—may be largely anecdotal, but we must create the means to tell these stories—and reflect on these stories—or we risk losing sight of who we work with and for.
InTASC Standards

Standard 1: Learner Development—The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard 2: Learning Differences—The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard 3: Learning Environments—The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge—The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Standard 5: Application of Content—The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment—The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction—The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies—The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice—The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice,
particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

*Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration*—The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
NEW MEXICO TEACHER LICENSURE EXAMS


For Testing Support from the UNM College of Education & Human Sciences
https://coeohs.unm.edu/administration/center-for-student-success/nm-teaching-licensure-testing/index.html

PRAXIS: www.ets.org/praxis/nm/requirements/

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**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

Questions to Assess Teacher Candidate Progress

1) **Planning and Instruction**

Is there evidence that the Teacher Candidate is . . .

- Building depth of knowledge in the content domains;
- Preparing to teach thoughtfully by *rehearsing* the day;
- Varying instructional strategies to reach diverse learners;
- Differentiating instruction;
- Developing self-reflective language to describe what is happening in the classroom; and
- Effectively *managing* the classroom, from daily routines to discipline?

2) **Student Learning and Assessment:**

Is there evidence that the Teacher Candidate is able to . . .

- Tell *stories* about what individual students know and can do;
- Provide evidence for those narrative claims about student thinking, understanding, and misunderstanding;
- Employ multiple means of assessing student thinking, understanding, and skill; and
- Use assessment evidence to inform instructional decisions?

3) **Professional Development:**

Is there evidence that the Teacher Candidate is . . .

- Learning from his or her practice;
- Initiating conversations with peers and mentors to consider his or her practice;
- Using evidence of student thinking, understanding, and skill to inform conversations about practice; and
- Changing practice in light of collegial conversations
University of New Mexico, Department of Teacher Education, Elementary Education

FIELD EXPERIENCE INTERVENTION FLOW CHART

Note: Please keep detailed records of all observations, evaluations and conferences with your TC. This is particularly important should a problem arise. You may also refer to the UNM Continuation Policy to address student issues.

Teacher Candidate is Observed and Assessed by CT and US according to UNM’s Assessment Framework

- In the course of informal or formal observations/evaluations, CT and/or US have concerns about the TC’s performance and/or progress.
- CT and/or US have no significant concerns. TC is meeting all aspects of observation and evaluation rubrics and is making adequate progress towards greater competence and independence.

Step 1: CT and/or US conferences with TC to share concerns and outline specific changes TC must make to their practice.

- CT and/or US determine adequate progress has NOT been made.
- CT and/or US determine adequate progress has been made.

Step 2: CT and/or US contacts the Program Coordinator. A meeting is scheduled at the school site between the TC, CT and/or US, and Program Coordinator to discuss options, brainstorm specific solutions and establish a timeline for demonstrating improvement. A Growth Plan and Contract of Understandings is written by the Program Coordinator. The TC, US, and Program Coordinator signs the contract.

- CT, US, and Program Coordinator determine adequate progress has NOT been made.
- CT, US, and Program Coordinator determine adequate progress has been made.

Step 3: A meeting is arranged between TC and Program Coordinator to decide on appropriate course of action.

CTs: Remember, we trust your professional judgment. If you have serious concerns about a teacher candidate’s competency and all of the procedures outlined in this intervention flow chart have been followed, it is possible to remove a teacher candidate from your classroom. This should be a rare occurrence but our foremost concern is the learning and well-being of the students in your classroom.
Tk20: Cooperating Teacher Guide

No need to log-in

Keep a look out for an email from Tk20 (noreply@tk20.com), with the link that is used to complete assessments associated with your placement:

Action Items + Get more add-ins

Dear XYZ,

You have been assigned to supervise and evaluate [Name of the student] at CENTRAL ELEMENTARY. Please click the link below or copy and paste the URL into your browser to complete and submit assessments associated with this placement.

Warning: In order to prevent data inconsistencies, please make sure that you only assess one student at a time and do not open assessments or navigate the system in multiple browser windows or tabs.

Make sure to save this email. You will be able to access the associated assessments from the link provided.

If you have any questions, please contact the Tk20 Unit Administrator at:
NAME OF THE QA
E-mail address
Contact Number
Tutorials and quick guides are available at the Tk20 Help Desk.
Thank you!

Once you receive this email it means that Tk20 has been configured for the semester and it is open to start completing assessments. Please Note: This link is only good for the semester it is sent out, be sure to keep this email in a safe place. If you misplace the email, please send an email to coetk20@unm.edu and they will send you another copy.

How to Access and Conduct Assessments

1. Click on the link provided in the email:

   <This portion will have the link/URI that cooperating teacher will see to access the assessment.>

Warning: In order to prevent data inconsistencies, please make sure that you only assess one student and do not open assessments or navigate the system in multiple browser windows or tabs.
3. Your screen will split. On the left side is the student’s work, and on the right side are the Field Experience Forms, which you will need to fill out. You will notice a red flag—this means that these forms still need to be completed. Click on the Assessment form.

4. Fill out each radio button with the appropriate rating. You will notice that the numerical score will auto-populate in the score column. You can add any comments that you wish.

   You can ignore this, “Grade” (i.e., “Pass,” “A,” “90,” etc) field.

   GRADE
   
   Total Score:  
   0
   
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   Grade: 
   
5. After you have completed the form, choose one of the following actions:
   a. **Save**: save work and return at a later time
   b. **Complete**: mark the assessment as complete and return to the previous screen

   You will be taken back to the page with the Assessments listed. You will notice that the red flag has disappeared from the assessment you just completed. **Be sure to click Save on this page after completing each form to ensure your work is saved correctly.** You can now click on the next assessment and repeat steps 3-5.

6. After you have completed ALL (usually at the end of the semester) assessments, click on Submit. **(Note: Once you have submitted the assessments you won’t be able to make changes. If you haven’t completed all assessments but want to come back at a later time, click Save. If you haven’t made any changes and don’t need to save, click Close.)**
NOTE: Tk20 has an automatic time-out feature integrated into the system that causes an account to log off after three hours. For this reason, it is highly recommended that you frequently click Save as you are working on your forms in Tk20, especially if it is a particularly long form or you are planning on working on a form intermittently over an extended period of time. Neglecting to click Save (as outlined in the steps above) will result in lost work.

In addition, it is important to note that cooperating teachers and student teachers have their own individual, separate Tk20 accounts. Cooperating teachers and student teachers do not share a single Tk20 account. Cooperating teachers must complete observation/evaluation forms according to the instructions outlined above, while student teachers must complete self-observation/evaluation forms according to the instructions outlined in the Tk20 Student Teacher Guide.

Technical Issues?
Contact: Tk20 Support Staff, coek20@unm.edu
Support Desk: coecss.zendesk.com
Tk20: Student Teacher Guide

How to Log into Tk20

1. Using the latest version of Firefox, go to the following URL: coe.unm.edu/tk20

2. Click on the “Students” link

3. Enter your username and password. It will be your UNM NetID and password (the same one you use to log into MyUNM)

How to Access and Upload Assignments

1. From the Tk20 homepage, you will notice that in the middle of the page there is a section entitled, “Pending Tasks”—these are tasks that need to be completed. Click on the Field Experience task.

2. You will be taken to a summary page. At the top of the page are tabs, the first tab is the summary, after that are tabs in which you are required to complete assignments. Click on the tab where you would like to complete an assignment.
3. You will see the list of Attachments that need to be completed. Click on “Select” next to the assignment you would like to complete.

4. A pop-up window will open, with the form you are required to complete. Complete the Form/Artifact. Be sure to scroll all the way down and answer any necessary questions and fill out any required textboxes. (Note: You can make the window bigger by going to the bottom right hand corner, until the cursor changes to a two-headed arrow, and dragging.)

5. Click on Add, at the bottom of the window, after you have completed the form.
6. You will be directed back to the page with the Assessments listed. If you have more than one assessment, you can now click on the next assessment and repeat steps 3-6. **Be sure to click “Save” on this page after completing each form to ensure your work is saved correctly (see Step 8)**

7. To submit your assignment to your faculty member, click Submit. **Note: You will only click on Submit once in the semester, after you have completed all required forms across all tabs. If you click Submit, the assignment will no longer be available to you—unless you contact your faculty member to send it back to you to make changes**

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Tk20: Student Teacher Guide: Time Logs

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To Create a Time Log Entry

1. Navigate to Time Logs, under the Home tab on the side menu

Here, you will see two tabs across the top of the page: Entries and Dashboard.

- The Entries tab shows you each individual time log entry that you have created. This page will show you the following information:
  - The date for which you logged a particular entry
  - The clock hours during which you were onsite for a particular entry
  - The duration, or total number of hours, for which you were onsite for a particular entry
  - The approval status of a particular entry:
    - Not submitted: you have not yet submitted the entry to your reviewer for approval
• Pending approval: you have submitted the entry to your reviewer for approval, but the reviewer has not yet provided his/her approval/rejection
• Approved: the reviewer provided approval of your time submission
• Rejected: the reviewer rejected your time submission
  o The activity that was performed during a particular entry
  o The email of the reviewer
  o The title of the time log for which an entry has been created

- The Dashboard tab provides two representations of the status of your entries:
  o A chart that shows the total number of hours in each status category per activity
  o An interactive graph that can show hours based on approval status or activity

2. In the Entries tab, click the green “Create New Activity” button.
3. Fill in the following activities details (each corresponds with the number in the graphic below):
a. Time Log: If multiple time logs are available to you, use the drop down menu to select the relevant time log for which you want to create the entry. If only one time log is available to you, the selection will automatically be made for you.
b. Activity: from this drop down menu, select the activity relevant to this particular entry.
c. Reviewer Email: Type in the email address of the person who will be reviewing and approving/rejecting your entry. You will enter in your Mentor/Cooperating Teacher’s email address.
d. Date: Select the date for which you are entering this time.
e. Time Range: Select the clock hours for which you are submitting this entry.
f. Description (optional): You may include a description of your experience during this entry.
g. Questions (separate tab): Here you will complete specific details for this time period.

4. When you have completed the activity details and questions tabs, click the green “Create” button at the bottom of the page.

To Create a Time Log Entry

1. In the Entries tab of the Time Logs page, indicate the entries you want to submit for approval by selecting the checkbox next to each of them.

2. Click “Submit for Approval” at the top of the list.
3. Review your selected entries and, if no changes need to be made, click “Submit”

*For solutions to common Tk20 technical issues, visit the Tk20 Forum on the CSS Support Desk: coecss.zendesk.com
Tk20: Student Teacher Guide: How to attach Time Logs to Field Experience Binder

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4. Open up your field experience binder by clicking on it from your Pending Tasks:

5. Click on the “Time Logs” tab

6. Click on the “Select” button under “Attachment(s)” next to “Timelog:”
7. Click on the radio button next to the timelog you would like to add (please note: if you have not completed any timelogs yet, none will show up here):

8. To attach additional timelogs, you will have to click on the “Select” next to “Additional Attachment:”

9. Click on “Select Existing”

10. Here you will see all Artifacts that you have ever created in Tk20, you can filter for just timelogs under the search bar and select “View Type” and select “TimeLog”.

Press the radio button of the timelog you would like to attach, then click on “Add”

11. Follow steps 8 – 10 to attach all your timelogs to your binder

12. Be sure to click on “Save” before you exit:

*Please email the COE Tk20 Helpdesk with any questions: coetk20@unm.edu
OFFICIAL FIELD PLACEMENT POLICIES

➢ UNM Field Placement Policies for All Licensure Programs

➢ Sexual Harassment in the Workplace

➢ Information for Reporting Child Abuse & Neglect

➢ Substitute Teaching Policy
UNM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SCIENCES
FIELD PLACEMENT POLICY FOR ALL LICENSURE PROGRAMS

- All candidates enrolled in a teacher licensure program at the University of New Mexico are required to meet regulations for New Mexico state licensure and CAEP, the College of Education & Human Sciences’ accreditation agency. These regulations affect practica, student teaching, and educational agency placements.

- All students in a professional licensure program, in order to develop their professional Understandings, Practices and Professional Identities must participate in a set of planned experiences in a school or other educational agency setting.

- In order to enter these school or educational agency sites, each student must clear a background check and must purchase liability insurance.

- The Field Experience Office in the College of Education & Human Sciences facilitates the placement in these educational settings for all students. Decisions about placements are determined in collaboration with school districts or educational agencies and UNM program faculty.

- Please note that education students may not practice in sites where family members work or study, nor are they allowed to influence or arrange their own placements by contacting education administrators and/or education personnel.

- To become eligible to work in schools or other educational agency sites, every student must complete the following steps:

  1. Admission to a licensure program in the College of Education & Human Sciences.
  2. The purchase of liability insurance and completion of fingerprint and background checks. If the student’s fingerprinting and background check do not clear, the student is not eligible to work within the school district or educational agency. This may require canceling registration or dropping from the program until such issues are resolved.
  3. Receiving written approvals by district or agency to participate in any activities at the educational site.
  4. Enrollment in an EDUC 401L/411L, EDUC 402L/412L, EDUC 403L/413L

It is very important that Practicum/Teacher Candidates comply with policies and procedures of the school district or educational agency, as well as, meet the expectations of the education professionals to which they are assigned: including attendance, work hours, dress, and personal conduct. The duty day schedule is followed and extra time is likely required to meet and plan with the educational professional teacher on a regular basis.

Attendance and punctuality are mandatory for all University and school or education agency site activities, seminars, meetings, etc.
SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN THE WORKPLACE

Each school district in New Mexico has guidelines regarding issues of discrimination and harassment. As a Teacher Candidate you are guaranteed the same rights as an employee of the district in which you student teach and are entitled to a copy of the guidelines, which will be presented to you upon request. However, the law in this area is constantly changing and each person’s experience is unique. Any district’s policy is not meant to create enforceable rights that are not embodied in the law. If you have any questions regarding your particular experience, you should contact the Equal Opportunity Services Office of your district and/or the New Mexico State Office of Equal Opportunity.

Definition

Sexual harassment is a form of gender discrimination as defined in Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in Section 703. Sexual harassment is a violation of federal law, the NM State Board of Education, district and school policies, Discrimination and Harassment. Sexual harassment is UNWELCOME sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and written or verbal conduct of a sexual nature.

If behavior toward another employee(s) makes him/her feel intimidated, uncomfortable, or if the employee feels threatened, it may be considered sexual harassment even if the harasser did not intend for his/her actions to be offensive.

What is Sexual Harassment?

Sexual harassment is not based upon your “INTENT”. Sexual harassment is based upon the "perception" of the “target” and whether the target feels uncomfortable, intimidated, or believe he or she is in a hostile environment. There are three types of sexual harassment:

- Physical
- Verbal
- Non-Verbal

Sexual Harassment in Schools

Your Responsibility: Whether you are a teacher, support staff member, or an administrator, your responsibility is to the law; know the district’s sexual harassment policy, know the procedures for reporting harassment, and stop it when you see it. Remember, most teachers and students have more information about sexual harassment than parents. You have the responsibility to establish a safe, non-threatening, and non-intimidating educational environment. Most harassment occurs in the classroom and the hallway. Other frequent places for harassment includes bathrooms, gyms, parking lots, and buses. Sexual harassment is not fun it is illegal.

Taken from Albuquerque Public Schools Sexual Harassment in the Workplace Booklet
INFORMATION FOR REPORTING  
CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

New Mexico Children, Youth & Families Department

Report all suspected child abuse to Children, Youth & Families Department (CYFD) by calling the Statewide Central Intake (SCI) Hotline at:

1-855-333-SAFE (7233) or from a cell phone, call #SAFE

It’s the Law!
If you call the Hotline, you can remain ANONYMOUS.

Mandated Reporters

According to New Mexico law, ANYONE who suspects or has knowledge of abuse or neglect must report. Failure to report is subject to a misdemeanor in a court of law. ANYONE who reports in good faith will be immune from civil or criminal liability.

32A-4-3. New Mexico Children's Code states the following:

Every person, including but not limited to a licensed physician, a (medical) resident or an intern examining, attending or treating a child, a law enforcement officer, a judge presiding during any proceeding, a registered nurse, a visiting nurse, a schoolteacher or a school official or social worker acting in an official capacity who knows or has a reasonable suspicion that a child is an abused or a neglected child shall report the matter immediately to:
(1) a local law enforcement agency;
(2) the department office in the county where the child resides; or
(3) tribal law enforcement or social services agencies for any Indian child residing in Indian country.

NOTE: Please communicate your concerns immediately to the cooperating teacher.

To learn about online reporting for professionals go to website:
https://cyfd.org/child-abuse-neglect/reporting-abuse-or-neglect
**Undergraduate Elementary Education Field Experience Substitute Policy**

1. Elementary Education Teacher Candidates are allowed to substitute teach for up to a total of ten (10) days during their final full-time (5 days per week) student teaching semester for their Cooperating Teachers ONLY (in other words, they are NOT permitted to sub for other teachers in the building).

   In order to qualify as a paid substitute, the Teacher Candidate must go through the official registration process through the appropriate school district. Elementary Education Teacher Candidates are not permitted to sub without being paid.

2. Teacher Candidates in their first or second semester are NOT permitted to substitute on the days of their required field experience. Examples:
   a. In Semester 1, Teacher Candidates are typically in the schools two full days per week (typically Thursdays and Fridays). They may have one or even two days free in their schedules where they might be able to substitute, but NOT on the two required field experience days. If a Cooperating Teacher is going to be out on leave during their Teacher Candidate’s required field experience days, the Teacher Candidate will work alongside a district hired substitute. This is to ensure the safety and protection of both the school site as well as the Teacher Candidate.
   b. If a Cooperating Teacher is going to be out on leave during his or her Teacher Candidate’s required field experience days, the Teacher Candidate will work alongside a district hired substitute.
   c. UNM semester dates and school district dates do not always coincide. Days before the start of UNM’s semester, at the conclusion of the semester, or during spring and fall breaks may also offer opportunities for subbing.

3. No student in a field experience setting is allowed to serve as an UNPAID substitute teacher.
SAMPLE ASSIGNMENTS & ASSESSMENTS

➢ Professional Dispositions Assessment
➢ Required Key Assessments
➢ UNM COEHS Differentiated LESSON PLAN Template & Instructions
➢ Pacing Guide for Teaching Responsibilities
➢ Professional Development Plan (PDP):
  Student/Assessor Instructions
➢ Professional Development Plan (PDP) Form
**PROFESSIONAL DISPOSITIONS ASSESSMENT** (To be completed online in Tk20)

Instructions for Applicant

The applicant/teacher candidate will assess themselves at application, midpoint (prior to final student teaching semester), and at completion of student teaching on the 21 dispositions using the 21-item Disposition Self-Assessment tool provided. At the beginning of your program you may not have experience with all of the dispositions in an educational context. This is not an exam, we are interested in knowing what your experiences have been up until now, so please answer honestly.

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<td>Actions at this point are contrary to expectations for the disposition.</td>
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<td>I <strong>value</strong> the input and contributions of families, colleagues, and other professionals.</td>
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<td>I <strong>realize</strong> that content knowledge is not a fixed body of facts but is complex, culturally situated, and ever evolving.</td>
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<td>I <strong>take responsibility</strong> for student learning and I use ongoing analysis and reflection to improve planning and practice.</td>
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### REQUIRED METHODS COURSES
(Taken together with Seminar & Field Experiences Courses listed below in Yellow)

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- EDUC 330L: “Teaching of Reading to Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students I”
- LLSS 443: “Children’s Literature (Literatura Infantil)”
- MSET 365: “Technology Integration for Effective Instruction”
- EDPY 472: “Classroom Assessment”
- Diversity Strand - Course 1 of 3

#### Professional COURSE Sequence I
SEMESTER 1: 2 days/week in schools
- EDUC 333L: “Teaching Language Arts K-8”
- EDUC 353L: “Teaching Science K-8”
- EDUC 361L: “Teaching Mathematics K-8”
- Diversity Strand - Course 2 of 3

#### Professional COURSE Sequence II
SEMESTER 2: 2 days/week in schools
- EDUC 331L: “Teaching of Reading to Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students II”
- EDUC 321L: “Teaching Social Studies K-8”
- EDUC 333L: “Teaching Language Arts K-8”
- SPCD 489: “Teaching Exceptional Students in General Education”
- Diversity Strand Course - 3 of 3

- Professional Dispositions Assessment: Instructor 12
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# UNM COEHS Differentiated LESSON PLAN Template & Instructions
(Aligned with NMTEACH Domain 1 - 5/21/2019)

## 1. General Lesson Information
- Teacher Candidate Name:
- Date & Time Frame of Lesson:
- Title:
- Grade Level:
- Subject Area:

## 2. Standards & Bench Marks
Provide the number and written standard for:
- Standard(s) appropriate to the lesson:
- Standard(s) fully cited:
- Rationale for selecting standard:
  [Standards should come from one of the following: 1) Common Core State Standards (for Math or English Language Arts); 2) New Mexico State Standards (Science, Social Studies), 3) New Mexico Expanded Grade Band Expectations/Performance Standards (for students with significant disabilities), 4) NM CCC for ECE, and/or 5) approved by instructors]

## 3. Specific Learning Goals & Objectives of the Lesson
What do you want the student to learn during this lesson?
- Goals and objectives appropriate to lesson/activity that are measurable and observable
- Goals & objectives clearly link to standards
- Goals & objectives are directly linked to and measured by the lesson’s assessment(s)
- Specific IEP Goals & objectives for students with disabilities
- Specific goals for second language learners

## 4. Preparation
**Materials and resources**
List specific materials and resources you will need, including adapted materials and assistive tools, etc.

**The Environment**
Explain any special considerations you might need when setting up the classroom environment (i.e., how will students be grouped? Special arrangements?)

**Diversity**
- Address diversity considerations including language, second language, culture, community assets,
- Describe classroom demographics and present levels of performance (academic, behavior, language)

**Differentiation**
How have you specifically differentiated for CONTENT, PROCESS, and PRODUCT as a way of maximizing student engagement in, participation in, and access to what is being taught and learned throughout the lesson?

**Technology**
Describe and explain use of technology that is needed for teaching, learning, and assessment.

**Collaboration**
Provide evidence of collaboration between general ed, special ed, bilingual ed, art ed, and/or others

5. **Instructional Procedures (Flexible depending on preferred content model of teaching)**

   **Introduction (Time Allotted)**
   - What information will you be introducing AND what will be your essential question for this activity?
   - Provide a “hook” for the students to raise their interest and draw them into the lesson.
   - How will you connect with students’ prior knowledge and backgrounds?
   - How will you address the language demands of the content?
   - How will you differentiate for CONTENT?

   **Instruction (Time Allotted)**
   - How specifically – step by step – will you present the information and carry out this lesson?
   - What specifically will you do to make sure students understand, engage in and apply what they are learning?
   - How will you differentiate for CONTENT and PROCESS?

   **Guided/Independent Practice (Time Allotted)**
   - What activities will allow the students to independently use/apply the information they have learned (i.e., learning centers, additional projects/activities, worksheets, homework, etc.)?
   - How will you differentiate for PROCESS and PRODUCT?

   **Closure**
   - How will you summarize or close the lesson?
   - What questions will you ask for clarity of comprehension?

6. **Assessment**

   - How will you use formative assessment to inform your teaching and check for understanding throughout the lesson?
   - Assessment tools have been clearly identified/created. This tool accurately measures and records student performance aligned to NM State Standards, IEP Goals, and language proficiency levels (rubric, checklist, student work sample/portfolio, self-assessment, etc.). **Be sure to clearly describe the assessment being used and include actual assessment tools with your lesson.**
   - Assessment links directly back and is appropriate to stated goals and objectives of the lesson.
   - Assessment establishes a clear and measurable “criteria for success” (80% accuracy, 5/10 trials, etc.).

7. **Accommodations/Modifications**

   - What accommodations/modifications will be needed for students with IEPs and English learners?
   - Be sure to consider what accommodations/modifications might be needed **at every stage of the lesson plan.**

8. **Reflection**

   - If you actually taught this lesson, reflect on your experience and the students’ experiences.
   - What new knowledge will students gain from this lesson?
   - What, if anything, would you change about this lesson? Why?

   ❖ Differentiation should be considered for CONTENT, PROCESS and PRODUCT of student learning. Differentiation should be considered at every stage of your lesson plan’s development and implementation.
## Pacing Guide for Teaching Responsibilities

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<td><strong>Day 1</strong> – TCs learn about norms, routines and procedures. Learn students’ names. Introduce self to class.</td>
<td><strong>Week 1 – 4</strong> – TCs will conduct all transitions and be engaged with individual and small groups. TCs assume responsibilities for transitions in the classroom and activities such as reading aloud, morning meeting or end of day closure.</td>
<td><strong>Weeks 1 –</strong> TC will continue to assume responsibility for transitions.</td>
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<td><strong>During weeks 1-2</strong> - TCs engages with students to build respectful relationships.</td>
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<td><strong>During weeks 1-3</strong> - TCs assume responsibilities for transitions in the classroom and activities such as reading aloud, morning meeting or end of day closure.</td>
<td><strong>TCs pick up where they left off from last semester</strong></td>
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<td><strong>During weeks 1-4</strong> - TCs will engage with individual and small groups using the CT’s plans.</td>
<td><strong>TC will continue in classroom where they left off last semester.</strong></td>
<td><strong>If the CTs and TCs are committed to a Co-Teaching Model, they must develop a written teaching plan together and turn in to Supervisor by end of Week 2.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>During weeks 1-4</strong> - TCs will engage with individual and small groups using the CT’s plans.</td>
<td><strong>TCs must be actively engaged throughout the day during in classroom instruction &amp; all forms of student learning.</strong></td>
<td><strong>Week 2 - 3</strong> - TCs are responsible for one content area each day.</td>
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<td><strong>During weeks 4-9</strong> - TCs will plan, prepare and teach 1 lesson a week in math and/or literacy under the CT’s guidance.</td>
<td><strong>Week 4-16</strong> – TCs will plan, prepare and teach 2 lessons a week (from CTs and/or TC plans) in math, literacy or another subject area.</td>
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<td><strong>During weeks 4-9</strong> - TCs will plan, prepare and teach 1 lesson a week in math and/or literacy under the CT’s guidance.</td>
<td><strong>Attend all meetings before &amp; after school.</strong></td>
<td><strong>Weeks 6 - 7</strong> - TCs are responsible for three content areas each day.</td>
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<td><strong>Throughout the semester...</strong> TC will continue to assume responsibility for transitions.</td>
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<td><strong>Week 8 – 15</strong> - TCs do full assumption, full time student teaching or co-teaching with CT depending on testing schedules and individual classroom situations.</td>
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<td><strong>Weeks 2 - 3</strong> - TCs are responsible for one content area each day.</td>
<td><strong>Throughout the semester...</strong> TC will attend professional development, parent-teacher conferences, home communications, faculty meetings, grade-level meetings, IEPs, engage with families – as appropriate and on the days they are in school.</td>
<td><strong>TCs gradually release teaching responsibilities back to CT.</strong> TCs gradually takes back responsibility for teaching over the last weeks of the semester.</td>
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**All practicum and student teaching objectives in the Pacing Guide are recommendations and flexible. It is highly recommended that TCs be engaged with classroom routines, planning, preparation, and teaching as soon as possible.**
**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (PDP): STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS**

In Semester 3-Student Teaching, you will complete a Professional Development Plan; it has multiple steps for completion.

Complete instructions in **RED** at the beginning of the semester.
Complete instructions in **BLUE** throughout the rest of the semester.
Complete instructions in **GREEN** at the end of the semester.

1. **At the beginning of the semester:**
   - Along with your experiences and feedback up to this point, use the feedback from your first teaching observation of the semester to identify one NMTEACH Domain Element as an area for growth in each of the four NMTEACH Domains.
   - The NMTEACH Domains and Elements can be found here: [https://www.nctq.org/dmsView/NMTEACH_Rubric_(1)_(1)](https://www.nctq.org/dmsView/NMTEACH_Rubric_(1)_(1))
   - For each domain, complete the first five sections of the PDP template with your plan for how you will develop in that area. – Goal, Rationale, Action Plan, Dates, Resources

2. **Throughout the semester:**
   - Use your plan to guide your activities throughout the semester, taking notes and collecting evidence along the way.

3. **At the end of the semester:**
   - Use your final teaching observation and additional evidence to evaluate the outcomes and results of your PDP, then complete the remaining two sections of the PDP.
     - Outcomes and Results, Reflection
   - Use the Summative Reflection to reflect on your experience with the PDP as a whole.
GOAL SETTING: Using the grid below, indicate the NMTEACH DOMAIN STRANDS and ONE related ELEMENT that will guide your PDP.

GOALS: By the end of my full-time teaching experience (Semester 3), I will improve on...

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Rationale: Why am I focusing on this element?

Action Plan: Possible Activities

What am I planning to do and how?

Anticipated Dates for Activities: When am I going to do it?

Resources: What/who will I use?

Outcomes and Results: What happened?

Reflection: What did I learn? What will I do differently? What will I do next?

Fill out at beginning of Semester | Fill out throughout Semester | Fill out at end of Semester
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**Action Plan:**
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*What am I planning to do and how?*

**Anticipated Dates for Activities:**
*When am I going to do it?*

**Resources:**
*What/who will I use?*

**Outcomes and Results:**
*What happened?*

**Reflection:**
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**Summative Reflection:** Reflect on your experience with the PDP as a whole.

- Fill out at beginning of Semester
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Professional Development Plan (PDP): Assessor Instructions

Teacher candidates in their final semester of student teaching will complete a Professional Development Plan (PDP). The PDP has multiple steps for completion:

1. At the beginning of the semester:
   - Along with their experiences and feedback up to this point, teacher candidates will use the feedback from their first teaching observation of the semester to identify one NMTEACH element as an area for growth in each of the four NMTEACH Domains.
   - The NMTEACH Domains and Elements can be found here: [https://www.nctq.org/dmsView/NMTEACH_Rubric_(1)_(1)](https://www.nctq.org/dmsView/NMTEACH_Rubric_(1)_(1)).
   - For each domain, teacher candidates will complete the first five sections of the PDP template with a plan for how they will develop in that area.
   - Goal, Rationale, Action Plan, Dates, Resources

2. Throughout the semester:
   - Teacher candidates will use their plan to guide their activities throughout the semester, taking notes and collecting evidence along the way.

3. At the end of the semester:
   - Teacher candidates will use their final teaching observation and additional evidence to evaluate the outcomes and results of their PDP, then complete the remaining two sections of the PDP.
   - Outcomes and Results, Reflection
   - The Summative Reflection should be used to reflect on their experience with the PDP as a whole.