

Undergraduate Teacher Education Programs

GATEWAYS

Effective Fall 2024

“Gateways” are transition points that are part of state and national accreditation requirements for teacher preparation programs. At Ashland University, the College of Education has a series of five gateways that are designed to ensure that all students are adequately prepared to enter the teaching profession upon completion of their programs. Gateways also allow the College of Education to monitor and support students in all aspects of their programs. ¹

First Field Gateway

- Complete/Submit Application
 - Students must have achieved a current 2.5 GPA for the Institutional and Major GPAs for all programs including both concentrations for Middle Grades programs. (Students must obtain a C- or better in all education courses per catalog.)
- [**Note:** Transfer students must meet this requirement using course grades from their previous institution.]
- Attendance at one Teacher Education Workshop/Seminar (with Director of Accreditation and Educator Preparation, Mrs. Lisa Weller lweller@ashland.edu)
 - Valid Ohio Preservice Teacher Permit (Application available July 1, 2024 through the State Board of Education <https://ohid.ohio.gov>)
 - Current Liability Insurance (Sign up through Ohio Education Association <https://www.mynea360.org/s/join-now?state=OH>)
 - Updated Background Clearance (BCI/FBI)

Professional Program/Teacher Education Candidacy Gateway – (3rd year coursework)

- Complete/Submit Application
 - Students must have achieved a current 2.5 GPA for the Institutional and Major GPAs for all programs including both concentrations for Middle Grades programs. (Students must obtain a C- or better in all education courses per catalog.)
- [**Note:** Transfer students must meet this requirement using course grades from their previous institution.]

- Successful completion of **Praxis Core**

Assessment	Reading	Writing	Math
Praxis Core	160	162	154
Students may be exempt from Praxis Core with the following ACT, SAT, or Accuplacer scores			
ACT	21	20	20
SAT	530	530	540
Accuplacer*	263	263	263

*Accuplacer is a low/no cost alternative to Praxis Core – required tests: Next Generation Reading; Writing; and Math: Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS).

- Satisfactorily complete the Sophomore Field Experience course with a B- or higher
- Valid Ohio Preservice Teacher Permit (Application available July 1, 2024 through the State Board of Education <https://ohid.ohio.gov>)
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¹ This does not apply to students who have already met previous gateway/pathway requirements (prior to Fall 2024). If a student under previous gateway/pathway requirements requests to use these new gateway requirements to enter the sophomore field, he/she/they must continue under these new requirements for the remainder of his/her/their program.

Internship Gateway (prior to Internship)

- Complete/Submit Application
 - Students must have achieved a current 2.5 GPA for the Institutional and Major GPAs for all programs including both concentrations for Middle Grades programs. (Students must obtain a C- or better in all education courses per catalog.)
- [**Note**; Transfer students must meet this requirement using course grades from their previous institution.]
- **Successful completion of Computer Science (CS) and Computational Thinking (CT) Modules²**
 - Successful completion of OAE (score of 220 or higher): Assessment of Professional Knowledge
 - 057 – P-5 Dual
 - 002 – Middle Grades
 - 003 – AYA/Integrated
 - 004 – Music, Visual Arts, IS
 - Successful completion of OAE (score of 220 or higher): 190 Foundations of Reading (P-5/IS, IS, Middle Grades ONLY)
 - Successful completion of all required coursework
 - Valid Ohio Preservice Teacher Permit (Application available July 1, 2024 through the State Board of Education <https://ohid.ohio.gov>)
 - Current Liability Insurance (Sign up through Ohio Education Association <https://www.mynea360.org/s/join-now?state=OH>)
 - Updated Background Clearance (BCI/FBI)

Program Completion Gateway (prior to graduation)

- Students must have achieved a current 2.5 GPA for the Institutional and Major GPAs for all programs including both concentrations for Middle Grades programs. (Students must obtain a C- or better in all education courses per catalog.)
- [**Note**; Transfer students must meet this requirement using course grades from their previous institution.]
- Successful completion of Internship with grade of B- or better

Licensure (upon program completion/graduation)

- Successful completion of all program OAEs (required licensure tests)
- Application for Licensure through State

For more information, contact your advisor.

² Upon successful candidacy (application to Professional Program), access to the Computer Science (CS) and Computational Thinking (CT) Modules (as required by Ohio HB110) will be granted.