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University of Nebraska - Lincoln  
Traditional Program  
2009-10

### Print Report Card

### Program Information

**Name of Institution:** University of Nebraska - Lincoln

**Institution/Program Type:** Traditional

**Academic Year:** 2009-10

**State:** Nebraska

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**Is your institution a member of a Teacher Quality Enhancement (TQE) partnership grant: No**

**TQE partnership name or grant number, if applicable:**

### Section I.a Program Admission

**For each element listed below, check if it is required for admission into any of your initial teacher certification program(s) at either the undergraduate or postgraduate level.**

Element	Undergraduate	Postgraduate
Application	Yes	Yes
Fee/Payment	No	No

Transcript	Yes	Yes
Fingerprint check	No	No
Background check	Yes	Yes
Experience in a classroom or working with children	Yes	No
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	Yes	No
Minimum high school GPA	Yes	Yes
Minimum undergraduate GPA	Yes	Yes
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	Yes	Yes
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	Yes	Yes
Minimum ACT score	Yes	No
Minimum SAT score	No	No
Minimum GRE score	No	No
Minimum basic skills test score	Yes	Yes
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	No	No
Minimum Miller Analogies test score	No	No
Recommendation(s)	Yes	Yes
Essay or personal statement	Yes	Yes
Interview	Yes	Yes
Resume	No	No
Beachelor's degree or higher	No	Yes
Job offer from school/district	No	No
Personality test (e.g.,Myers-Briggs Assessment)	No	No
Other (specify: learning outcomes )	Yes	Yes

**Provide a link to your website where additional information about admissions requirements can be found:**

<http://cehs.unl.edu>

**Indicate when students are formally admitted into your initial teacher certification program:**

Sophomore year for elementary; Junior year for secondary programs

**Does your initial teacher certification program conditionally admit students?** No

**Please provide any additional about or exceptions to the admissions information provided above:**

Interviews in selected programs.

### Section I.b Program Enrollment

**Provide the number of students in the teacher preparation program in the following categories. Note that you must report on the number of students by ethnicity and race separately. Individuals who are non-Hispanic/Latino will be reported in one of the race**

categories. Also note that individuals can belong to one or more racial groups, so the sum of the members of each racial category may not necessarily add up to the total number of students enrolled.

Total number of students enrolled in 2009-10:	1430
Unduplicated number of males enrolled in 2009-10:	417
Unduplicated number of females enrolled in 2009-10:	1013

2009-10	Number enrolled
<i>Ethnicity</i>	
Hispanic/Latino of any race:	39
<i>Race</i>	
American Indian or Alaska Native:	10
Asian:	25
Black or African American:	19
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander:	0
White:	1336
Two or more races:	1

### Section I.c Supervised Experience

**Provide the following information about supervised clinical experience in 2009-10.**

Average number of clock hours required prior to student teaching	140
Average number of clock hours required for student teaching	640
Number of full-time equivalent faculty in supervised clinical experience during this academic year	3.233
Number of full-time equivalent adjunct faculty in supervised clinical experience during this academic year (IHE and PreK-12 staff)	13.68
Number of students in supervised clinical experience during this academic year	1530

**Please provide any additional information about or descriptions of the supervised clinical experiences:**

### Section I.d Teachers Prepared

**Provide the number of teachers prepared, by academic major and subject area prepared to teach in 2009-10. (§205(b)(1)(H))**

Academic major	Number prepared
Agriculture	10
Art	13
Basic Business	1
Behavior Disordered	1

Biology	1
Business & Cooperative Ed	13
Dual Elementary & Mild/Moderate Disabilities	15
Early Childhood Unified	25
Elementary	106
Elementary & Early Childhood Ed	8
English	22
Family & Consumer Sciences	8
Industrial Technology	7
Language Arts	2
Mathematics	25
Middle Grades	28
Mild/Moderate Disabilities	18
Music	27
Natural Science	13
Physical Science	1
Political Science & History	1
Preschool Disabilities	1
Social Science	21
Theatre & English	3
World Language - German	3
World Language - Latin	1
World language - Spanish	18
TOTAL	392

<b>Subject area</b>	<b>Number prepared</b>
Agriculture	10
Art	13
Behavior Disorders	1
Biology	1
Business Ed	14
Coaching	22
Cooperative Ed	14
Early Childhood	8
Early Childhood Unified	25
Elementary Ed	129
English	25

English as a 2nd Language	28
Family & Consumer Science	8
History	1
Industrial Technology	7
Language Arts	2
Mathematics	25
Middle Level-Art	2
Middle Level-Family & Consumer Science	3
Middle Level-Industrial Technology	1
Middle Level-Language Arts	10
Middle Level-Mathematics	14
Middle Level-Natural Science	10
Middle Level-Social Science	14
Mild/Moderate Disabilities	33
Music	27
Natural Science	13
Physical Science	1
Political Science	1
Social Science	21
Theatre	3
World Language - German	3
World Language - Latin	1
World Language - Spanish	18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>508</b>

### Section I.e Program Completers

**Provide the total number of initial teacher certification preparation program completers in each of the following academic years:**

2009-10: 390

2008-09: 413

2007-08: 394

### Section II. Annual Goals

**Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative routes to state certification or licensure program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing**

**the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the state educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students. IHEs that do not have a teacher preparation program in one or more of the areas listed below can enter NA for the area(s) in which the IHE does not have that program.**

Teacher shortage area	Goal for increasing prospective teachers trained
Mathematics	<p><b>Academic year:</b> 2009-10</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> 27</p> <p><b>Goal met?</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Description of strategies used to achieve goal:</b></p> <p>Increase size of post baccalaureate population.</p> <p><b>Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal:</b></p> <p>Obtained grant money and recruited a post baccalaureate population of students.</p>
Science	<p><b>Academic year:</b> 2009-10</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> 25</p> <p><b>Goal met?</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Description of strategies used to achieve goal:</b></p> <p>Increase size of post baccalaureate population</p> <p><b>Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal:</b></p> <p>Obtained grant money and recruited a post baccalaureate population of students.</p>
Special education	<p><b>Academic year:</b> 2009-10</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> 35</p> <p><b>Goal met?</b> No</p> <p><b>Description of strategies used to achieve goal:</b></p> <p>Linked Mild/Moderate Program with Elementary Education.</p> <p><b>Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal:</b></p> <p>Work with advisers to encourage students to consider special education as a major.</p>
Instruction of limited English proficient students	<p><b>Academic year:</b> 2009-10</p>

	<p><b>Goal: 26</b></p> <p><b>Goal met?</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Description of strategies used to achieve goal:</b></p> <p>Required all elementary education majors to take one ELL course.</p> <p><b>Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal:</b></p> <p>Made ELL a minor in our College of Education and Human Sciences.</p>
<p>Modern Languages</p>	<p><b>Academic year:</b> 2009-10</p> <p><b>Goal: 28</b></p> <p><b>Goal met?</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Description of strategies used to achieve goal:</b></p> <p>Encouraged post baccalaureate students to consider modern languages.</p> <p><b>Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal:</b></p> <p>Improve advising of undergraduate students. Our numbers of students in foreign language are increasing.</p>

**Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:**

## Section II. Assurances

**Please indicate whether your institution is in compliance with the following assurances.**

**Training provided to prospective teachers responds to the identified needs of the local educational agencies or States where the institution's graduates are likely to teach, based on past hiring and recruitment trends.**

Yes

**Training provided to prospective teachers is closely linked with the needs of schools and the instructional decisions new teachers face in the classroom.**

Yes

**Prospective special education teachers receive coursework in core academic subjects and receive training in providing instruction in core academic subjects.**

Yes

**General education teachers receive training in providing instruction to children with disabilities.**

Yes

**General education teachers receive training in providing instruction to limited English proficient students.**

Yes

**General education teachers receive training in providing instruction to children from low-**

**income families.**

No

**Prospective teachers receive training on how to effectively teach in urban and rural schools, as applicable.**

Yes

**Describe your institution's most successful strategies in meeting the assurances listed above:**

Required courses; dialogue with school district plus meeting state guidelines and standards

## Section III. Assessment Rates

Assessment code - Assessment name Test Company Group	Number taking tests	Avg. scaled score	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)	State Average pass rate (%)	State Average scaled score
ETS0730 -PRAXIS I MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all nonclinical courses	11	182	11	100	99	180
ETS0730 -PRAXIS I MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	623	181	617	99	99	180
ETS0730 -PRAXIS I MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2009-10	302	182	297	98	99	181
ETS0730 -PRAXIS I MATHEMATICS Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2008-09	241	181	240	100	100	181
ETS0710 -PRAXIS I READING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all nonclinical courses	11	181	11	100	99	178
ETS0710 -PRAXIS I READING Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	624	179	616	99	99	179
ETS0710 -PRAXIS I READING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2009-10	300	180	300	100	99	179
ETS0710 -PRAXIS I READING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2008-09	241	180	241	100	100	179
ETS0720 -PRAXIS I WRITING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All enrolled students who have completed all nonclinical courses	11	177	11	100	98	176

ETS0720 -PRAXIS I WRITING Educational Testing Service (ETS) Other enrolled students	623	177	600	96	98	177
ETS0720 -PRAXIS I WRITING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2009-10	302	178	298	99	99	177
ETS0720 -PRAXIS I WRITING Educational Testing Service (ETS) All program completers, 2008-09	241	177	237	98	99	177

### Section III. Summary Rates

Group	Number taking tests	Number passing tests	Pass rate (%)	State Average pass rate (%)
All program completers, 2009-10	303	294	97	97
All program completers, 2008-09	243	238	98	99

### Section IV. Low-Performing

**Provide the following information about the approval or accreditation of your teacher preparation program.**

**Is your teacher preparation program currently approved or accredited?**

Yes

**If yes, please specify the organization(s) that approved or accredited your program:**

State

TEAC

**Is your teacher preparation program currently under a designation as "low-performing" by the state (as per section 207(a) of the HEA of 2008)?**

No

### Section V. Technology

**Does your program prepare teachers to:**

- **integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction**

Yes

- **use technology effectively to collect data to improve teaching and learning**

Yes

- **use technology effectively to manage data to improve teaching and learning**

Yes

- **use technology effectively to analyze data to improve teaching and learning**

Yes

**Provide a description of how your program prepares teachers to integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction, and to use technology effectively to collect, manage, and analyze data in order to improve teaching and learning for the purpose of increasing student academic achievement. Include a description of how your program prepares teachers to use the principles of universal design for learning, as applicable. Include planning activities and a timeline if any of the four elements listed above are not currently in place.**

The State of Nebraska requires that all teacher education candidates meet the following standards in the area of instructional technology. We address these four, State of Nebraska teacher education standards in our technology curriculum. These are:

1. Teachers demonstrate a sound understanding of technology operations and concepts.
2. Teachers plan and design effective learning environments and experiences supported by technology.
3. Teacher implement curriculum plans that include methods and strategies for applying technology to maximize student learning.
4. Teachers apply technology to facilitate a variety of effective assessment and evaluation strategies.

Students in undergraduate programs complete TEAC 259, Technology in the Classroom. Graduate students enroll in TEAC 880A, Survey of Instructional Technology. Both courses address the standards listed above.

## Section VI. Teacher Training

**Does your program prepare general education teachers to:**

- **teach students with disabilities effectively**  
Yes
- **participate as a member of individualized education program teams**  
Yes
- **teach students who are limited English proficient effectively**  
Yes

**Provide a description of how your program prepares general education teachers to teach students with disabilities effectively, including training related to participation as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*, and to effectively teach students who are limited English proficient. Include planning activities and a timeline if any of the three elements listed above are not currently in place.**

The State of Nebraska requires that all teacher education candidates must meet a set of standards related to teaching special populations. We address five State of Nebraska teacher education standards in our programs. These are:

1. Knowledge of the exceptional education needs of the disabilities defined by section 79-1118.01R.R.S.
2. Knowledge of the major characteristics of each disability in order to recognize its existence in children.
3. Knowledge of various alternative for providing the least restrictive environment for children with disabilities.
4. Knowledge of methods of teaching children with disabilities in the regular classroom.
5. Knowledge of pre-referral alternatives, referral systems, multidisciplinary team responsibilities, the

individualized education plan process and the placement process.

All students are required to pass SPED 401A/801A, Accommodating Exceptional Learners in the Classroom (Elementary) or SPED 401B/801B, Accommodating Exceptional Learners in the Secondary Classroom.

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**Does your program prepare special education teachers to:**

- **teach students with disabilities effectively**

Yes

- **participate as a member of individualized education program teams**

Yes

- **teach students who are limited English proficient effectively**

Yes

**Provide a description of how your program prepares special education teachers to teach students with disabilities effectively, including training related to participation as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*, and to effectively teach students who are limited English proficient. Include planning activities and a timeline if any of the three elements listed above are not currently in place.**

The Special Education programs at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln has Specialized Program Approval through 2010 from both the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) and Nebraska Department of Education. This indicates the programs meet national professional organization standards as well as state standards.

Teacher education programs at UNL are accredited by TEAC. In turn the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) has taken the 10 INTASC standards and applied them to the field of Special Education. CEC now requires that all accredited special education teacher education programs track each college student from admission to graduation to determine whether they have attained each standard and to what degree or level of proficiency. Students and faculty use a website to monitor students' progress in achieving competencies in the following areas reflecting desired teacher competency: (1) Foundations, (2) Development & Characteristics of Learners, (3) Learning Differences, (4) Instructional Strategies, (5) Learning Environments and Social Interactions, (6) Language, (7) Instructional Planning, (8) Assessment, (9) Professional & Ethical Practice, and (10) Collaboration. Ratings for each of the 10 standards may reflect competence in foundation courses or classes that are specifically required for an area of certification (e.g. undergraduate K-6 mild-moderate disabilities major or undergraduate mild/moderate disabilities 7-12; graduate level behavior disorders, early childhood special education, deaf/hard of hearing, mild/moderate, specific learning disabilities, severe disabilities, visual impairment, transition). Instructors assign one or two ratings for each course and practicum students complete as they progress through the program

These ratings are aggregated (merged together) to help us study our teacher preparation programs in special education to see if there are areas where our students are generally strong or weak and then make adjustments to the curriculum. Individual ratings help students track development of knowledge, skills, and dispositions important to special education teachers. If students have challenges meeting proficiency on assessments and scoring rubrics in one or more standards, the advisor will direct them to the appropriate faculty member who can work with them to try to bring a rating to the proficient level when possible. Assignments that are used for rating competencies are found on a tracking sheet and should be identified on class syllabi.

## Section VII. Contextual Information

**Please use this space to provide any additional information that describes your teacher preparation program(s). You may also attach information to this report card. The U.S. Department of Education is especially interested in any evaluation plans or interim or final reports that may be available.**

### Supporting Files

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