

PDS Coordinator Meeting April 12, 2021

AGENDA

Welcome - Barbara Owens, *Director, PDS Partnership/Clinical Experiences*

- M.Ed. Multi-Cat non-licensure track- Areej Ahmed
 - The M.Ed. in Multi-categorical Special Education with Autism includes two tracks: 1) a non-licensure track for candidates holding a valid Professional Teaching License but not seeking licensure and 2) a licensure track for non-licensed candidates seeking a Professional Teaching Licensure. The purpose of this proposal is to revise the current M.Ed. in Multi-categorical Special Education with Autism track for candidates holding a Professional Teaching License. The track for non-licensed candidates will remain the same.
- The State of WV recently passed a new option for alternative certification that may lead to fewer applicants seeking licensure and additional applicants holding a teaching license. The proposed program revisions will make the non-licensure track more competitive with other non-licensure education programs and will provide elective course options to help teachers support students who have experienced trauma. The proposed changes would remove 6 hours from the current track for licensed candidates, reducing it from 36 to 30 hours. SPED 6390 – Special Education Practicum would be removed
- Year Long Residency Program Information/Updates- Toni Poling, Keisha Kibler
- Placement Requests for Fall
 - Will be sent out next week from Danielle
 - Will include: Traditional student teaching for fall students
 - Traditional 75 hours
 - Traditional 30 hours
 - Special Ed. except for student teaching-jobs/TIR's
 - Residency 1 & 2- about 10 people. Please be sure that host teachers understand the commitment. We will also be planning on some co-teaching training sessions.
 - All of these different request options will be noted on the request from D.

State Requirements:

Cooperating teacher requirements for both student teaching and residency are the same :§126-114-5.12.a Effective July 1, 2018, cooperating teachers for clinical experience should, at a minimum:

1) hold a valid West Virginia five-year teaching credential in the content area of the candidate placed in their classrooms **with a minimum of three years of teaching experience**;

2) hold “Accomplished” or higher as a summative performance rating on the West Virginia Educator Evaluation during the last two years of employment; and

3) have successfully completed a WVBE-approved cooperating teacher course, at no cost to the teacher,

or hold or be eligible for the Mentor or Master Mentor Advanced Credential

or hold certification through the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS).

- **End of Semester Responsibilities** - Danielle sent those out today along with the Coord. Engagement form (must be completed before stipend is processed)
- **Survey link- Assessments due April 20** - Danielle will be sending those out to host teachers tomorrow. Please be sure to check with them and verify that it was received.
- **State Partnership Updates- funding, direction** - The state is centering more on Placement sites (Hubs) than Professional Development Schools. They are focusing on the Year Long Residency. The grant information has not been distributed yet. I will receive that information in May.
- **Non-degree summer courses.** FSU will not be having these. We will be concentrating on rolling out Resident Program. The state indicated that they will recognize the Non-degree course that Keisha and Toni have conducted. We will probably be hosting that in the fall. Information will be forthcoming. Cost is minimal and it will be helpful to those hosting a Resident student (but not required)
- **Ed. Leadership M.ED/Certificate update-** All online and taught by practitioners. There are 4 different options available: M.Ed. (30 hours), principalship,(18 hours) Principal and Superintendent (24 hours) and Superintendent only (6 hours). Only institution in state offering all 4 options. will send new flyer to share

Announcements:

- Sharon Smith - Retiring
- Search for Elementary Professor Underway
- Keisha Kibler - Coordinator-Secondary Programs - work with faculty in other schools on campus as we begin to put together YLR for Secondary.
- Danielle - expecting in September, Mountain East Conference Coach of the year, and team won Conference Championship

Important Dates:

Virtual Mock Interviews- April 21/4-6

Final paper work submitted to the FSU Clinical Office- April 22