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### Institution Information

**Name of Institution:** Marian University  
**Institution/Program Type:** Traditional  
**Academic Year:** 2015-16  
**State:** Indiana

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Is your institution a member of an HEA Title II Teacher Quality Partnership (TQP) grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Education?  
(<http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oii/tqp/index.html>)

No

If yes, provide the following:

**Award year:**

**Grantee name:**

**Project name:**

**Grant number:**

**List partner districts/LEAs:**

**List other partners:**

**Project Type:**

### Section I.a Program Information

List each teacher preparation program included in your traditional route. Indicate if your program or programs participate in a Teacher Quality Partnership Grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Education as described at <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oii/tqp/index.html>.

Teacher Preparation Programs	Teacher Quality Partnership Grant Member?
Elementary Education	No
English Language Learners (ELL)	No
Fine Arts: Instrumental and General Music	No
Fine Arts: Visual Arts	No
Fine Arts: Vocal and General Music	No
Generalist: Early and Middle Childhood	No
Language Arts	No
Mathematics	No
Middle School/High School Education	No
Physical Education	No

Science: Chemistry	No
Science: Life Sciences	No
Social Studies: Economics	No
Social Studies: Government and Citizenship	No
Social Studies: Historical Perspectives	No
Social Studies: Psychology	No
Social Studies: Sociology	No
Special Education (SPED): Mild Intervention	No
World Language: French	No
World Language: Spanish	No
<b>Total number of teacher preparation programs: 20</b>	

## Section I.b Admissions

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

Sophomore year

Does your initial teacher certification program conditionally admit students?

Yes

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

<http://marian.edu/Academics/school-of-education-and-exercise-science/areas-of-study>

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

The portfolio components consist of: documenting work with children, philosophy of teaching, and letters of recommendation; interview by two faculty members to determine commitment and passion for teaching; and documentation of dispositions from education and general education faculty.

## Section I.b Undergraduate Requirements

Please provide the following information about your teacher preparation program's entry and exit requirements. (§205(a)(1)(C)(i))

Are there initial teacher certification programs at the undergraduate level?

Yes

If yes, for each element listed below, indicate if it is required for admission into or exit from any of your teacher preparation program(s) at the Undergraduate level.

Element	Required for Entry	Required for Exit
Transcript	Yes	Yes
Fingerprint check	No	No
Background check	Yes	Yes
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	Yes	Yes
Minimum GPA	Yes	Yes
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	Yes	Yes
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	Yes	Yes
Minimum ACT score	No	No
Minimum SAT score	No	No
Minimum basic skills test score	Yes	No
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	No	Yes
Recommendation(s)	Yes	No
Essay or personal statement	Yes	No
Interview	Yes	No
OtherPortfolio	Yes	Yes

What is the minimum GPA required for admission into the program?

2.5

What was the median GPA of individuals accepted into the program in academic year 2015-16

3.5

What is the minimum GPA required for completing the program?

2.5

What was the median GPA of individuals completing the program in academic year 2015-16

3.7

Please provide any additional comments about the information provided above:

## Section I.b Postgraduate Requirements

Please provide the following information about your teacher preparation program's entry and exit requirements. (**\$205(a)(1)(C)(i)**)

Are there initial teacher certification programs at the postgraduate level?

No

If yes, for each element listed below, indicate if it is required for admission into or exit from any of your teacher preparation program(s) at the Postgraduate level.

Element	Required for Entry	Required for Exit
Transcript	Data not reported	Data not reported
Fingerprint check	Data not reported	Data not reported
Background check	Data not reported	Data not reported
Minimum number of courses/credits/semester hours completed	Data not reported	Data not reported
Minimum GPA	Data not reported	Data not reported
Minimum GPA in content area coursework	Data not reported	Data not reported
Minimum GPA in professional education coursework	Data not reported	Data not reported
Minimum ACT score	Data not reported	Data not reported
Minimum SAT score	Data not reported	Data not reported
Minimum basic skills test score	Data not reported	Data not reported
Subject area/academic content test or other subject matter verification	Data not reported	Data not reported
Recommendation(s)	Data not reported	Data not reported
Essay or personal statement	Data not reported	Data not reported
Interview	Data not reported	Data not reported
Other	Data not reported	Data not reported

What is the minimum GPA required for admission into the program?

What was the median GPA of individuals accepted into the program in academic year 2015-16

What is the minimum GPA required for completing the program?

What was the median GPA of individuals completing the program in academic year 2015-16

Please provide any additional comments about the information provided above:

## Section I.c 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.

For the purpose of Title II reporting, an enrolled student is defined as a student who has been admitted to a teacher preparation program, but who has not completed the program during the academic year being reported. An individual who completed the program during the academic year being reported is counted as a program completer and *not* an enrolled student.

[Additional guidance on reporting race and ethnicity data.](#)

Total number of students enrolled in 2015-16:	
Unduplicated number of males enrolled in 2015-16:	
Unduplicated number of females enrolled in 2015-16:	

2015-16	Number enrolled
<i>Ethnicity</i>	
Hispanic/Latino of any race:	
<i>Race</i>	
American Indian or Alaska Native:	
Asian:	
Black or African American:	

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander:	
White:	
Two or more races:	

## Section I.d Supervised Clinical Experience

Provide the following information about supervised clinical experience in 2015-16.

Average number of clock hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to student teaching	263
Average number of clock hours required for student teaching	640
Average number of clock hours required for mentoring/induction support	0
Number of full-time equivalent faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year	
Number of adjunct faculty supervising clinical experience during this academic year (IHE and PreK-12 staff)	
Number of students in supervised clinical experience during this academic year	

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

## Section I.e Teachers Prepared by Subject Area

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by subject area for academic year 2015-16. For the purposes of this section, number prepared means the number of program completers. "Subject area" refers to the subject area(s) an individual has been prepared to teach. An individual can be counted in more than one subject area; if no individuals were prepared in a particular subject area, please leave that cell blank. (§205(b)(1)(H))

Subject Area	Number Prepared
Education - General	
Teacher Education - Special Education	
Teacher Education - Early Childhood Education	
Teacher Education - Elementary Education	
Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	
Teacher Education - Secondary Education	
Teacher Education - Multiple Levels	
Teacher Education - Agriculture	
Teacher Education - Art	
Teacher Education - Business	
Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	
Teacher Education - Foreign Language	
Teacher Education - Health	
Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	
Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	
Teacher Education - Mathematics	
Teacher Education - Music	
Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	
Teacher Education - Reading	
Teacher Education - Science Teacher Education/General Science	
Teacher Education - Social Science	
Teacher Education - Social Studies	
Teacher Education - Technical Education	
Teacher Education - Computer Science	
Teacher Education - Biology	
Teacher Education - Chemistry	
Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	
Teacher Education - French	
Teacher Education - German	
Teacher Education - History	
Teacher Education - Physics	
Teacher Education - Spanish	
Teacher Education - Speech	

Teacher Education - Geography	
Teacher Education - Latin	
Teacher Education - Psychology	
Teacher Education - Earth Science	
Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	
Teacher Education - Bilingual, Multilingual, and Multicultural Education	
Education - Other Specify:	

### Section I.e Teachers Prepared by Academic Major

Please provide the number of teachers prepared by academic major for academic year 2015-16. For the purposes of this section, number prepared means the number of program completers. "Academic major" refers to the actual major(s) declared by the program completer. An individual can be counted in more than one academic major. If no individuals were prepared in a particular academic major, please leave that cell blank. (§205(b)(1)(H))

Academic Major	Number Prepared
Education - General	
Teacher Education - Special Education	
Teacher Education - Early Childhood Education	
Teacher Education - Elementary Education	
Teacher Education - Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education	
Teacher Education - Secondary Education	
Teacher Education - Agriculture	
Teacher Education - Art	
Teacher Education - Business	
Teacher Education - English/Language Arts	
Teacher Education - Foreign Language	
Teacher Education - Health	
Teacher Education - Family and Consumer Sciences/Home Economics	
Teacher Education - Technology Teacher Education/Industrial Arts	
Teacher Education - Mathematics	
Teacher Education - Music	
Teacher Education - Physical Education and Coaching	
Teacher Education - Reading	
Teacher Education - Science	
Teacher Education - Social Science	
Teacher Education - Social Studies	
Teacher Education - Technical Education	
Teacher Education - Computer Science	
Teacher Education - Biology	
Teacher Education - Chemistry	
Teacher Education - Drama and Dance	
Teacher Education - French	
Teacher Education - German	
Teacher Education - History	
Teacher Education - Physics	
Teacher Education - Spanish	
Teacher Education - Speech	
Teacher Education - Geography	
Teacher Education - Latin	
Teacher Education - Psychology	
Teacher Education - Earth Science	
Teacher Education - English as a Second Language	
Teacher Education - Bilingual, Multilingual, and Multicultural Education	
Education - Curriculum and Instruction	

Education - Curriculum and Instruction	
Education - Social and Philosophical Foundations of Education	
Liberal Arts/Humanities	
Psychology	
Social Sciences	
Anthropology	
Economics	
Geography and Cartography	
Political Science and Government	
Sociology	
Visual and Performing Arts	
History	
Foreign Languages	
Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences	
English Language/Literature	
Philosophy and Religious Studies	
Agriculture	
Communication or Journalism	
Engineering	
Biology	
Mathematics and Statistics	
Physical Sciences	
Astronomy and Astrophysics	
Atmospheric Sciences and Meteorology	
Chemistry	
Geological and Earth Sciences/Geosciences	
Physics	
Business/Business Administration/Accounting	
Computer and Information Sciences	
Other Specify:	

## Section I.f Program Completers

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

2015-16:

2014-15: 23

2013-14: 21

## Section II Annual Goals - Mathematics

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route to state credential 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. (**S205(a)(1)(A)(ii)**, **S206(a)**)

Information about teacher shortage areas can be found at <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/tsa.html>.

Please provide the information below about your program's goals to increase the number of prospective teachers in mathematics in each of three academic years.

**Academic year 2015-16**

**Did your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2015-16?**

Yes

**How many prospective teachers did your program plan to add in mathematics in 2015-16?**

1

**Did your program meet the goal for prospective teachers set in mathematics in 2015-16?**

Data not reported

Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

Academic year 2016-17

Is your program preparing teachers in mathematics in 2016-17?

Yes

How many prospective teachers did your program plan to add in mathematics in 2016-17?

1

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

Academic year 2017-18

Will your program prepare teachers in mathematics in 2017-18?

How many prospective teachers does your program plan to add in mathematics in 2017-18?

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Section II Annual Goals - Science

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route to state credential 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. (**S205(a)(1)(A)(ii)**, **S206(a)**)

Information about teacher shortage areas can be found at <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/tsa.html>.

Please provide the information below about your program's goals to increase the number of prospective teachers in science in each of three academic years.

Academic year 2015-16

Did your program prepare teachers in science in 2015-16?

Yes

How many prospective teachers did your program plan to add in science in 2015-16?

1

Did your program meet the goal for prospective teachers set in science in 2015-16?

Data not reported

Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

Academic year 2016-17

Is your program preparing teachers in science in 2016-17?

Yes

How many prospective teachers did your program plan to add in science in 2016-17?

1

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

Academic year 2017-18

Will your program prepare teachers in science in 2017-18?

How many prospective teachers does your program plan to add in science in 2017-18?

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Section II Annual Goals - Special Education

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route to state credential 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. (**§205(a)(1)(A)(ii), §206(a)**)

Information about teacher shortage areas can be found at <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/tsa.html>.

Please provide the information below about your program's goals to increase the number of prospective teachers in special education in each of three academic years.

**Academic year 2015-16**

Did your program prepare teachers in special education in 2015-16?

Yes

How many prospective teachers did your program plan to add in special education in 2015-16?

3

Did your program meet the goal for prospective teachers set in special education in 2015-16?

Data not reported

Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

**Academic year 2016-17**

Is your program preparing teachers in special education in 2016-17?

Yes

How many prospective teachers did your program plan to add in special education in 2016-17?

3

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

**Academic year 2017-18**

Will your program prepare teachers in special education in 2017-18?

How many prospective teachers does your program plan to add in special education in 2017-18?

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Section II Annual Goals - Instruction of Limited English Proficient Students

Each institution of higher education (IHE) that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative route to state credential 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. (**§205(a)(1)(A)(ii), §206(a)**)

Information about teacher shortage areas can be found at <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/tsa.html>.

Please provide the information below about your program's goals to increase the number of prospective teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in each of three academic years.

**Academic year 2015-16**

Did your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2015-16?

Yes

How many prospective teachers did your program plan to add in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2015-16?

1

Did your program meet the goal for prospective teachers set in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2015-16?

Data not reported

Description of strategies used to achieve goal, if applicable:

Description of steps to improve performance in meeting goal or lessons learned in meeting goal, if applicable:

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

**Academic year 2016-17**

Is your program preparing teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2016-17?

Yes



How many prospective teachers did your program plan to add in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2016-17?

1

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

Academic year 2017-18

Will your program prepare teachers in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2017-18?

How many prospective teachers does your program plan to add in instruction of limited English proficient students in 2017-18?

Provide any additional comments, exceptions and explanations below:

## Section II Assurances

Please certify that your institution is in compliance with the following assurances. (§205(a)(1)(A)(iii), §206(b)) Note: Be prepared to provide documentation and evidence for your responses, when requested, to support the following assurances.

Preparation responds to the identified needs of the local educational agencies or States where the program completers are likely to teach, based on past hiring and recruitment trends.

Yes

Preparation is closely linked with the needs of schools and the instructional decisions new teachers face in the classroom.

Yes

Prospective special education teachers are prepared in core academic subjects and to instruct in core academic subjects.

Yes

Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to students with disabilities.

Yes

Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to limited English proficient students.

Yes

Prospective general education teachers are prepared to provide instruction to students from low-income families.

Yes

Prospective teachers are prepared to effectively teach in urban and rural schools, as applicable.

Yes

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

Marian University is able to successfully meet the assurances above by incorporating proficiency-driven activities that span all types of diversity including Special Needs, Differentiation, Age Developmental, Race, Culture, Class, Sexual Orientation, Religion, Language, Equity, Equality, Gender and Personal Attributes. Marian University teacher candidates are required to exhibit proficiency in developing curriculum, instructional strategies and assessment protocol relevant to teaching in diverse classrooms and promoting multicultural and transcultural education. Candidates are required to examine textbooks and other relevant written and digital materials for diversity infusion and curriculum transformation in preparation for teaching competence in diverse settings. Candidates are required to establish a classroom climate and develop lesson plans that incorporate diversity and promote social action.

## Section III Assessment Pass Rates

No assessment pass rates have been reported.

\*\*Please note that pass rates will be provided to Westat by the state or the testing company or companies (or entities). You do not need to upload or submit any files for this section.

You will be notified via email once pass rates have been uploaded. Please be sure to review the pass rates for accuracy once they are uploaded. Westat expects to receive and upload pass rate files for most programs by mid-April.\*\*

## Section III Summary Pass Rates

No summary pass rates have been reported.

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## 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  
NCATE

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 Use of Technology

Provide the following information about the use of technology in your teacher preparation program. Please note that choosing 'yes' indicates that your teacher preparation program would be able to provide evidence upon request.

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 the evidence that your program uses to show that it 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 the evidence your program uses to show that it 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.

In order to prepare teachers to teach 21st century students with 21st century technologies, the Marian University School of Education and Exercise Science provides robust and well rounded approach to preparing teachers. Not only is emphasis placed on teaching pre-service teachers how to utilize software applications for publishing, presenting, collaborating and communicating, research-based approaches are modeled and taught on how to best utilize technology to differentiate instruction for students with diverse learning needs.

Productivity tools such as social bookmarking and digital curation platforms are demonstrated and taught so that pre-service teachers remain current with regard to selecting and using digital tools best suited for the subject and grade level they will teach. Additionally, interactive white boards, iPads and mobile devices provide opportunities for teachers to further engage students in the classroom.

This year flipped instruction and digital badges in two courses have been piloted not only for the purpose of improving our teacher candidates' learning, but also to model best practice using technology in the classroom. The results have been impressive!

Just prior to Clinical Internship, teaching candidates must demonstrate their ability to plan for instruction and assessment using digital tools and applications. A technology enhanced lesson (including assessing student learning with technology) is required in order for students to demonstrate competencies in leveraging educational technology to improve student learning outcomes.

Integral to our approach in choosing and using educational technology with Marian teaching candidates is that software and digital tools are not the focus of their learning, but rather a means to expedite, enhance and engender the learning and assessment experience in their future classrooms. As blended learning and flipping the classroom gain momentum and optimize the learning experience in both face to face and online learning environments, a concerted effort has been made to integrate these tools more fully, and leverage their benefits throughout the campus.

Capturing data and making data-informed decisions enable instructors and teaching candidates at Marian University a means to organize, report and understand it from both a micro and macro view. CAMS (our student information system), Canvas (our LMS), Tk20 (our data management system) and various other cloud based applications facilitate the collection, analysis and reporting of data that help measure and communicate progress on student learning outcomes. Together these data collecting technology tools provide a means whereby students can quickly and more efficiently have access to grades and feedback via formative and summative assessments. Finally online surveys provide "just in time data" so that course design decisions can be made quickly for the next day, next week, or following semeste

## Section VI Teacher Training

Provide the following information about your teacher preparation program. Please note that choosing 'yes' indicates that your teacher preparation program would be able to provide evidence upon request.

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 the evidence your program uses to show that it 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.

Marian University offers programs of study to prepare the general education teacher in teaching students with exceptional needs and students who are limited English proficient. For example, in EDU230 (Neurodiversity in the Classroom), teaching candidates learn about the variety of exceptional conditions found in children. Definitions, identification, prevalence, characteristics, and educational needs of the various types of exceptional children are presented as well as brain based strategies that augment student learning. The course also focuses on the roles of the local school agency, the state, and the federal government as they pertain to the

education of exceptional children. Our general education teaching candidates are also required to do case studies of teaching situations that require responding to students with limited English proficiency and their presence in the general education classroom. We now offer a minor in English as a Second Language.

**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 the evidence your program uses to show that it 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.**

Marian University effectively prepares special education teachers to teach students with disabilities, including training related to participation as a member of individualized education program teams. In the course, Introduction to Special Needs, different types of disabilities and their legal definitions are learned, as described in Indiana Article 7. In this class historical foundations of special education are reviewed as well as current laws and regulations.

Within an assessment class candidates assess, score, and report information from norm referenced assessments, informal assessments, and Curriculum Based Assessments(CBAs). Appropriate use of tests, including analysis of possible test bias are taught in this course.

In the course, Curriculum and Methods, candidates learn specific research based strategies in the areas of reading, math and written expression. Response to Intervention (RtI), with heavy focus on tier two and three strategies. We review ISTAR process writing IEPs in Indiana. In this process present levels of performance, collecting data, evaluation reports and their influence on creating a personal IEP are discussed and learned. Teaching candidates learn how to write measurable goals in IEPs and how to pursue those goals through progress monitoring and statistical analysis. We discuss the ISTEP (Indiana's Standardized Exam) manual and the specific allowed accommodations. Within this Curriculum and Methods course, candidates then write IEPs and develop lesson plans which include specific relevant strategies, based on the assessment results (from the assessment course.) In addition, characteristics, teaching strategies, eligibility and accommodations for the inclusion classroom are reviewed.

In regards to participation in the IEP program team, teaching candidates receive instruction in the following: how to read an evaluation report, goal writing, determining Present Level of Performance (PLOP), procedural safeguards, monitoring progress, benchmarking, behavior plans, behavior assessments, how to facilitate a case conference, how to collect data for a case conference, and collaboration with parents and teachers. This content occurs within several courses including two practicums (which also include field experiences in which candidates observe, collect data, and teach lessons), and the Consultation and Collaboration courses. Candidates in the second practicum also learn to complete the components of a Functional Behavior Assessment and Behavior Intervention Plan.

## 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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