

SECTION 10: MASTER OF EDUCATION CERTIFICATION OPTIONS

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

"Effective 1 July 2005, the standards for alternative certification for superintendents and principals in Oklahoma public schools require candidates to have an earned master's degree, two years of relevant work experience in a supervisory or administrative capacity, a passing score on the subject area competency examination, and a declaration of the intention to earn standard certification through completion of an approved alternative administrative preparation program in not more than three years. Candidates shall have on file with the Director of Teacher Education a plan for meeting standard certification requirements within three years. The initial alternative certificate shall not exceed three years and shall not be renewable. Upon successful completion of the alternative administrative program, the Director of Teacher Education shall make a recommendation for standard certification to the State Board of Education." -- Oklahoma State Department of Education

Students should consult with an NWOSU certification officer or
the Oklahoma State Department of Education regarding
possible prerequisites needed for specific endorsements and/or certification.

NWOSU offers coursework leading to the Certificate for School Principal. The following criteria must be met in order for NWOSU to recommend certification:

1. The candidate shall hold a master's degree from an accredited university.
2. The candidate shall hold and maintain a valid Oklahoma teaching certificate.
3. The candidate shall pass the Oklahoma certification exams for Elementary or Secondary Principal.
4. The candidate shall complete EDUC 5010/Graduate Study Seminar and submit an action research project for review.
5. Upon completion of all requirements, candidates are to notify the Division of Education's Assistant Certification Officer for instructions for the online certification application for the Oklahoma State Department of Education.
6. The approved program coursework:

Course Number	Course Title	Hours
EDUC 5010	Graduate Study Seminar	0
EDUC 5103	Curriculum in Schools	3
EDUC 5093	Curriculum and Instruction for Special Learners	3
EDUC 5703	School Personnel and Administration	3
EDUC 5782	Supervision of Teaching	2
EDUC 5753	Principles of Public School Administration	3
EDUC 5763	Public School Finance	3
EDUC 5772	School and Public Relations	2
EDUC 5783	Implementing State and Federal Requirements	3
EDUC 5500	Internship (last semester)	2

Note: Certification-only students may take only one other course with practicum/internship. Also, certification-only students may take only one course after completion of the practicum/internship. Any exceptions to these policies must be approved by each student's graduate advisory committee chair.

Note: Instead of having a three-member graduate advisory committee, certificate-only students will have only one faculty member serve: the chair.

READING SPECIALIST

Students should consult with an NWOSU certification officer or the Oklahoma State Department of Education regarding possible prerequisites needed for specific endorsements and/or certification.

NWOSU offers coursework leading to the Certificate for the Reading Specialist for grades PK-12. The following criteria are to be met for university certification recommendation:

1. The candidate shall hold a master's degree from an accredited university.
2. The candidate shall hold and maintain a valid Oklahoma teaching certificate.
3. The candidate shall pass the Oklahoma certification exam for Reading Specialist.
4. The candidate shall complete EDUC 5010/Graduate Study Seminar and submit an action research project for review.
5. Upon completion of all requirements, candidates are to notify the Division of Education's Assistant Certification Officer for instructions for the online certification application for the Oklahoma State Department of Education
6. The approved program coursework, including a prerequisite of six hours of coursework, is required in the areas of reading methods and language arts methods or literature (children or adolescent):

Course Number	Course Title	Hours
EDUC 5010	Graduate Study Seminar	0
EDUC 5283	Foundations of Literacy Assessment	3
EDUC 5403	Advanced Course in Developmental Literacy - Primary Grades	3
EDUC 5413	Advanced Course in Developmental Literacy - Intermediate/Secondary Grades	3
EDUC 5433	Literacy Assessment and Intervention	3
EDUC 5453	Diversity, Equity, and Research as a Literacy Educator	3
EDUC 5532	Practicum in Literacy Intervention I	2
EDUC 5542	Practicum in Literacy Intervention II	2
EDUC 5503	Curricular and Supervisory Problems in Reading	3
EDUC 5500	Reading Specialist Practicum	2

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SCHOOL COUNSELING

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NWOSU offers coursework leading to the Certificate for School Counseling PK-12. The following criteria are to be met for university certification recommendation:

1. The candidate shall hold a master's degree from an accredited university.
2. The candidate shall hold and maintain a valid Oklahoma teaching certificate.
3. The candidate shall pass the Oklahoma certification exam for School Counselor.
4. The candidate shall complete EDUC 5010/Graduate Study Seminar and submit an action research project for review.
5. Upon completion of all requirements, candidates are to notify the Division of Education's Assistant Certification Officer for instructions for the online certification application for the Oklahoma State Department of Education.
6. The approved program coursework: _____

Course Number	Course Title	Hours
EDUC 5010	Graduate Study Seminar	0
EDUC 5812	Introduction to Guidance and Counseling	2
PSYC 5832	Career Education	2
PSYC 5872	Individual Counseling	2
PSYC 5812	Group Counseling	2
PSYC 5133	Assessment I: Achievement, Personality, and Cognitive Assessment	3
EDUC 5852	Developmental Guidance for School Counselors (Pre: EDUC 5812)	2
PSYC 5253	Intervention Strategies for Counselors	3
PSYC 5803	Counseling Strategies and Techniques	3
PSYC 5183	Human Growth and Development	3
EDUC 5500	Practicum Counseling	2

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