

Georgia Southern University, College of Education
M.A.T. & Non-degree Graduate Alternative Certification Programs
Teacher Education Program (TEP) Admission and Retention Requirements

Admission Requirements Must be Met <u>Prior</u> to Registration into Step Two Courses	When?
You must have a transcript evaluation completed by Ms. Chris Thompson to identify any content prerequisites that you must take before entering the M.A.T. or Non-degree certification program. Submit this form along with a \$25 fee to Ms. Thompson and allow up to 2 weeks: http://coe.georgiasouthern.edu/pdfs/traneval.pdf	First thing - Before applying!
You must have a minimum CUMULATIVE grade point average of 2.50 on all attempted course work (undergraduate and graduate), have a total adjusted GPA of 2.75 or higher on all teaching field course work, and have completed English composition and college algebra courses (or equivalents) with a minimum grade of "C".	Before applying for MAT or Non-degree graduate admission
You must successfully complete the GACE Basic Skills Assessment (or exempt this requirement with: GRE V & Q =1030, SAT V & M= 1000 or ACT E & M = 43) and have the scores sent to Georgia Southern University. The GACE Basic Skills Assessment is composed of three tests (reading, math, and writing.) You cannot exempt part of the assessment and you must pass all three tests in the assessment. A score of 220 represents the passing score. You should take the GACE Basic Skills Assessment <u>prior</u> to the semester you expect to begin the M.A.T. program since passing scores are required for admission. See http://www.gace.nesinc.com/index.asp for registration information and State requirements. See http://www.gace.nesinc.com/GA_preparationmaterials.asp for preparation materials for all GACE tests.	Before applying for MAT or Non-degree graduate admission
You must successfully complete the appropriate GACE Content Assessment test/s for the desired teaching field and have the scores sent to Georgia Southern University. The GACE Content Assessment requirement can not be exempted for any reason. See http://www.gace.nesinc.com/GA_preparationmaterials.asp for preparation materials for all GACE Content Assessment tests. See http://www.gace.nesinc.com/index.asp for registration information and State requirements.	Before applying for MAT or Non-degree graduate admission
Apply on-line for M.A.T. degree or Non-degree TSL admission with Graduate Admissions: http://cogs.georgiasouthern.edu/ and submit all required documents (statement of purpose, health form, transcripts, GACE scores, GRE/MAT test scores)	After all of the above are done
You must successfully complete all Step One courses and satisfy requirements for the folio review process - see Program of Study.	At end of Step One
Students must have professional liability insurance while in the program. This is most easily done by maintaining your membership in either SPAGE or SGAE although some homeowner's policies provide this coverage.	During the first semester
You are required to check your GSU e-mail on a weekly basis!	

Once you are accepted into the Teacher Education Program, you must meet the retention requirements:

- ▶ maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.50 on all attempted hours
- ▶ maintain a minimum adjusted grade point average of **2.75** on all professional education and all teaching field course work.
- ▶ earn a minimum of a "C" in all courses. [You must complete each semester's classes with a "C" or better to progress to the next semester. A 3.0 GPA is required for continuation in a graduate program.]
- ▶ successfully complete all field experiences attempted.
- ▶ continue to make satisfactory progress toward meeting program objectives.
- ▶ not be found in violation of the GSU student code.
- ▶ not violate the Georgia Professional Practices Commission's Code of Ethics for Professional Educators. You were provided a copy of this upon admission and will sign a statement agreeing to abide by this Code of Ethics when you were admitted into the program.
- ▶ have liability insurance. Maintain your yearly membership in SGAE or SPAGE.
- ▶ Note: You will be discontinued in the program if any of the retention requirements are not fulfilled.

In addition:

- ▶ You must apply for internship or student teaching the semester prior to the expected term. Internships are arranged with the Department of Teaching and Learning chair and the Director of Field Placements and Partnerships. Student teaching applications are submitted on-line.

I understand my responsibilities for both admission and retention in the Teacher Education Program.

Student signature: _____ **Date:** _____
Student's SSN: _____ - _____ - _____ **Eagle ID Number:** _____