

Gates and Status Levels Matrix

INITIAL CERTIFICATION (UG)					Gate Parameters	ADVANCED CERTIFICATION (G)				
Ship Status	Foundational Status	Candidacy Status	Clinical Status	Alumni/Cert Status	GATES	Ship Status	Foundational Status	Candidacy Status	Clinical Status	Alumni/Cert Status
Admission to the department	Foundational status	Candidacy status	Clinical status	Application approved in TIMS by SU certification officer	Status Level Approval	Admission to the Program	N/A	N/A	Clinical Status	Application approved in TIMS by SU certification officer
0-29 credits earned	30-59 credits earned	60-89 credits earned	90+ credits Earned	Program completion 120+ credits earned	Credits	Completion of bachelor's degree	At least 3 credits	Ongoing credits toward program completion	Ongoing credits toward program completion	Program completion (degree or post baccalaureate)
At least a 2.8 GPA	At least a 2.8 GPA with trending toward 3.0	At least a 3.0 GPA or exceptions with interventions	At least a 3.0 GPA	At least a 3.0 GPA	GPA	Undergraduate GPA at least a 3.0	At least a 3.0 GPA	At least a 3.0 GPA	At least a 3.0 GPA	At least a 3.0 GPA
Basic skills test prep with first try for RWM	Completion of all basic skills requirements	Completed	Completed	Completed	Required Testing (Basic Skills)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	PECT/Praxis II first try	PECT/Praxis II exams ongoing	PECT/Praxis completed	Required (Certification) Testing	N/A	N/A	N/A	Certification exams prep	If applicable, certification exams completed
N/A	Clearances on file with OPPEO*	Clearances on file with OPPEO*	Clearances on file with OPPEO*	N/A	Clearances	N/A	N/A	N/A	Clearances on file with OPPEO*	N/A
No required field hours	Completion of Stage 1 & 2 field hours	Completion of Stage 3 field hours	Completion of Stage 4 field hours	N/A	Required Field Experiences	N/A	N/A	N/A	Completion of clinical experience	N/A
N/A	Foundational status key assessments	Candidacy status key assessments	Clinical status key assessments during student teaching	N/A	Key Assessments	N/A	N/A	N/A	Clinical status key assessments during practicum	N/A
N/A	Submit status application for candidacy status	N/A	N/A	Apply for PDE certification approval in TIMS	Transition to Next Status Level	N/A	N/A	N/A	Submit status application for alumni/certification status	Apply for PDE certification approval in TIMS

When you complete the Status Application, you will be notified that you have met the requirements to move through the Gate to the next Status Level in the next column.
 If you are not approved to move through the gate to the next Status Level, you will work with your advisor to respond to the Red Flag Candidate letter with an Individualized Action Plan sent to the coehs@ship.edu.
 *OPPEO – Office of Partnerships, Professional Experiences and Outreach

Use of the Matrix

The College of Education and Human Services Dean’s office partnered with your Teacher Preparation Program (TPP) Departments will use this matrix as a resource to help guide and track students through their TPP to ensure students are on track to be certified educators. The matrix is aligned with the Pennsylvania Department of Education’s policies. Please notice that each Status Level is credit driven and the gate parameters are labeled in the middle red column. The Initial Certification pathway is defined to the left side and the Advanced Certification pathway is defined to the right side. All undergrad TPP student should be following the Initial Certification pathway guidelines. Questions or concerns about the Gates & Status Levels Matrix should be directed to the College of Education and Human Services Dean’s office at COEHS@ship.edu.