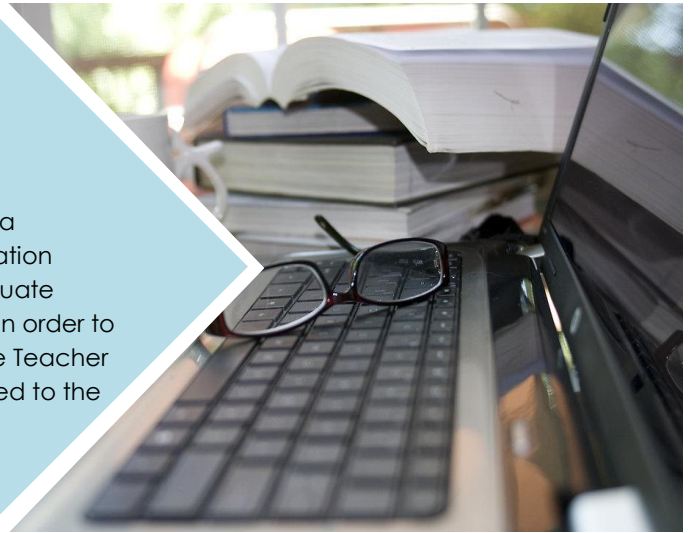


Admission to Teacher Education

To become a Tennessee Teacher, students must be admitted to a Tennessee State Board of Education approved Educator Preparation Program and complete licensure requirements. Every undergraduate student in the College of Education begins as a pre-candidate. In order to become a teacher candidate, students must be admitted to the Teacher Education Program. Students who fail to apply or are not admitted to the program will not be permitted to enroll in Upper Division courses. Information below details both prerequisites and steps to apply.



Criteria to be admitted to the Teacher Education Program

- 2.750 Inclusive GPA**
- 45 Earned Credit Hours**
- Grade of B or higher in EESE 2010 (or transfer equivalent)**
- Grade of B or higher in EESE 2011 (or transfer equivalent)**
- Satisfactory Test Scores**
ACT (21 or higher), SAT (1080 or higher), or Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests (Reading – 156, Writing – 162, Math – 150)
*For appeal criteria and process, visit www.mtsu.edu/education/admission.php. The appeal form and criteria can be found at the bottom of the website.

Documents to Complete

All documents can be found at the bottom of www.mtsu.edu/education/admission.php

- Noncriminal Justice Applicant's Privacy Rights Form**
- VECHS Waiver**
- Recommendation Form – College of Education Faculty** (Instructor from courses designated ECE, EESE, ELED, MLED, SPED, and YOED).
- Recommendation Form – Non-Education Faculty** (Instructor teaching academic courses in any department of the university other than those listed above).
- Recommendation Form – Teacher Practitioner (PreK-12)** (A teacher or administrator in a public school system)

Application Steps

All attachments must be clear quality PDF documents. Visit Walker Library if you need help with scanning.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Schedule and complete fingerprinting and background check (<i>keep receipt for records</i>)
Instructions to schedule fingerprinting and background check can be found at the bottom of www.mtsu.edu/education/admission.php |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Access application by visiting www.mtsu.edu/education/admission.php |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Complete application, including brief essay/personal statement. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Attach PDF of signed VECHS Waiver form to application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Attach PDF of signed Noncriminal Justice Applicant's Privacy Rights form to application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Attach PDFs of all signed recommendation forms to application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Submit application. |

Admission to Teacher Education Timeline for Guaranteed Enrollment in Next Semester Classes

Once you meet all criteria, you can submit your application for admission to the Teacher Education Program **at any point during the semester**. If you are pending completion of the criteria (e.g., enrolled in EESE), you *must* wait until the end of the semester to apply.

However, **in order to guarantee your enrollment in courses that require admission to the Teacher Education Program**, the completed Admission to Teacher Education application should be submitted by the Guaranteed Enrollment Deadline.

START EARLY. This process takes some time. Some parts of the admission to Teacher Education application may take you several weeks to complete. Please allow at least 4 weeks to successfully complete and submit your application.

Submit everything by the deadline. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Meeting the guaranteed enrollment deadline is highly recommended.

To be admitted for SPRING SEMESTER:

Guarantee enrollment **deadline of October 15.**

To be admitted for SUMMER TERMS:

Guaranteed enrollment **deadline of March 15.**

To be admitted for FALL SEMESTER:

Guaranteed enrollment **deadline of March 15.**

Students *may* be admitted after the guaranteed enrollment deadline, but will not be guaranteed a space in their chosen classes.