 **TEACHER EDUCATION UNIT**

**LIBERAL ARTS and EDUCATION DEPT**.

**Admission to UMC degree programs is based on our institutional admission criteria. When current undergraduate students and transfer students desire admission into MN State Approved Teacher Preparation Programs (by Institution), a series of additional required assessment activities begin. These assessments continuously evaluate the knowledge, skills, and dispositions of Teacher Candidates. The following admission and retention requirements are effective Fall 2017.**

**Monitoring and Assessing Teacher Education Candidates**

**Level #1: ADMISSION to Teacher Education Requirements**

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| **ASSESSMENTS** | **CRITERIA** |
| **Eligibility for TE Application** | Students submit the TE Application AFTER successful completion of 45 credits and BEFORE the completion of 60 credits. Students transferring from other institutions may exceed 60 credits (non-UMC) and must consult with academic advisor regarding timing of submission of TE Application. |
| **Cumulative GPA** | **2.5 GPA *(minimum)*** |
| **Minnesota Teacher Licensure Exam Requirements – Basic Skills Requirements** | **Exam Options for Meeting the Minnesota Basic Skills Requirement** *MN Statute 122A.09 Subd.4 (b)*  **Minnesota NES Essential Academic Skills (EAS)**  **Three (3) subtests are required: Reading, Writing, and Mathematics; to be completed prior to admission to a MN Teacher Preparation Program.**   * **Basic Skills Tests must all be passed prior to graduation and application for a teacher license.** * **All Minnesota NES Essential Academic Skills subtests require a**   **Passing score of 520 *(on a scale of 400–600).***   * **Test format is multiple choice, constructed response, or both.** * **The Reading and Mathematics tests are 75 minutes in length and the Writing test is 90 minutes.** * **The price for each test is $50 *(Spring 2017)*; fee set by BOT.**   **ACT Plus Writing**  Combined Score: 22  Combined English/Writing or ELA: 21  **1600 SAT**  Reading + Writing: 550  Math: 570 |
| **TE Application Submission** | Submit **TE Application** to Department Head of Liberal Arts and Education NO LATER than **Friday, the 1st week of classes,** Fall or Spring semesters.   * The **Self-Reflection as a Prospective Education Professional** is required to be submitted with the TE Application form. * The Self-Reflection involves answering two (2) questions. |

**Level #2: RETENTION in Teacher Education Requirements**

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| **ASSESSMENTS** | **CRITERIA** |
| **Cumulative GPA** | Maintain a **minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA** |
| **Dispositions for Educators** | Successful progress demonstrating attainment of specific dispositions. Assessment of attainment of **TE Dispositions** *(Respect, Responsibility, Emotional Maturity, Values Learning, and Integrity)* occurs during enrollment in education courses. |
| **Liability Insurance** | Evidence of **liability insurance** purchased annually through membership in Education Minnesota (EdMN/NEA) or Minnesota Association of Agriculture Educators (MAAE/NAAE). |
| **Grades Achieved in TE Licensure Required Courses** | Achievement of a **C- or higher course grade**. (*AgEd, AgEc, GnAg, Soil, ECE, ED prefix required courses; and AnSci 1004, ASM 1034, NatR 3374, PubH 3005.* |