Phase 1: Enrollment in ________________ Education

- Admission to Mississippi State University
- ________________ Education declared as major with ________________ as concentration

Phase 2: Admission to Teacher Education (See advisor to apply for admission. See forms at [http://www.educ.msstate.edu/resources/](http://www.educ.msstate.edu/resources/))

- Minimum 2.75 GPA on 44 hours including the MSU general education core and cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Grades of C or higher in English Composition I and II and College Algebra
- Background check: go to www.certifiedbackground.com and enter code MI43
- Two recommendations from educators
- Verification of 40 hours of work experience with children or youth
- Completion of dispositions instrument
- Proof of liability insurance
- Test scores: ACT 21 composite, no subscore below 18, or SAT 990 or Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators 156 reading, 162 writing, 150 mathematics
- Completion of the online orientation module

Phase 3: Teaching Internship Requirements

- Completion of all professional education courses with a C or higher in each course
- Minimum overall 2.5 GPA
- Submit application and Advisor Agreement to OCFBI (Allen 318)
- Take the Praxis subject assessments (content assessment and PLT)
- Take the Foundations of Reading Assessment (elementary only)

Phase 4: Graduation Requirements

- Completion of at least 123 hours with the last 25% of hours earned at MSU
- No more than 61 community college hours applied to degree
- Grades of C or higher in all professional education and content courses

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