

Permissions and Understandings Form

Southwest Minnesota State University
School of Education

Please read the following statements carefully, placing a check mark in the box for each statement to indicate that you have read and understand that statement; then sign and date, and turn this in with your application materials for the Teacher Education Program.

I understand that having a criminal record could lead to denial of a Minnesota teaching license.

(Automatic disqualifiers for a teaching license under Minnesota law are felony convictions for criminal sexual conduct and crimes related to child pornography. All other arrests and/or convictions are reviewed on a case by case basis by the Minnesota Board of Teaching.)

With the exception of University sponsored events, I understand I am strongly advised to avoid vacations or other non-teaching activities during spring break as well as the entire semester while taking ED 304/304L or SPED 304/304L or TESL 304/304L or ECSE 304/304L. I must be dedicated to my field experiences and classroom work and will be held responsible for my actions.

I understand that my professional dispositions for teaching will be assessed as part of my progress in the Teacher Education Program.

I understand that I must demonstrate my ability to perform the duties required by the state of Minnesota for my licensure area(s).

I understand that I may be removed from the SMSU Teacher Education Program:

- If I do not maintain minimum requirements for academic work in my major;
- If I do not demonstrate professional dispositions required of all teachers and teaching candidates;
- If I do not have successful performance evaluations in all field experiences;
- Upon the recommendation of SMSU's teacher education faculty after a review of my progress in my licensure program.

Printed Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Mustang ID _____