

TITLE: State Approval of the University of Hawai'i-West Oah'u Educator Preparation Unit and Elementary Program

The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board grants full state approval to the University of Hawai'i-West O'ahu Educator Preparation Program unit and elementary program effective October 18, 2013 – December 31, 2015.

By July 1, 2015, the unit must submit evidence to HTSB that all areas for improvement listed on the NCATE Accreditation Decision have been met.

The unit must submit an annual report to the HTSB and obtain continuing national accreditation from an accrediting body recognized by the US Department of Education prior to December 31, 2019. The annual report must contain information on the progress being made on the identified Areas for Improvement (AFIs). The program may recommend candidates for licensure in:

Elementary Education (K-6)

The approval is based on the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) on site review team and the Unit Accreditation Board's (UAB) recommendation:

NCATE Accreditation Decision:

Accreditation is continued at the initial teacher preparation level. The next onsite visit will take place in Fall 2019.

Standards Met:

1. Candidate Knowledge, Skills, and Dispositions
2. Assessment System and Unit Evaluation
3. Field Experiences and Clinical Practice
4. Diversity
5. Faculty Qualifications, Performance, and Development
6. Unit Governance and Resources

Areas for Improvement

Standard 1 – Candidate Knowledge, Skills and Professional Dispositions

1. The unit does not ensure candidates effectively measure student learning.

Standard 2 - Assessment System and Unit Evaluation

1. The unit does not regularly and systematically involve the professional community in the development and evaluation of its assessment system.
2. The unit does not assess unit operations.
3. The unit does not systematically analyze and evaluate data for program and unit improvement.

Standard 6 - Unit Governance and Resources

1. The unit does not have in place a process to systematically and regularly engage the professional community in the design, implementation and evaluation of the unit and its program

A letter shall be sent to the University of Hawai'i-West O`ahu on behalf of the Board to communicate this decision.

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Referred to: Teacher Education Committee