Admission Requirements for On-Campus Teacher Education Programs

Students must be accepted to BSU prior to applying for admission to Teacher Education.

Students applying to On-Campus Teacher Education programs must meet the following admission criteria:

1. **Cumulative GPA 2.5**
   Students must earn a C- or above in all major coursework. Additionally, students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA to remain in the program.

2. **Complete 30 Semester Credits** (AA degree for DLiTE students)
   The department of Teacher Education recommends completion of all/most Liberal Education courses prior to starting Teacher Education coursework.

3. **Recommendation Form for Teacher Education (Campus Version)**
   - The completed Recommendation Form may be uploaded with your application packet, **<u>or</u>** the recommender may send it directly to the Office of Teacher Education: **Teacher.Education@bemidjistate.edu**

4. **Completion of a college-level composition course with a grade of B- or higher – <u>OR</u> – Address the following four writing prompts.**
   - All responses should: be organized and clearly respond to the provided prompt.
   - Candidates are encouraged to write approximately one page, double-spaced, per prompt. Candidates are also encouraged to meet with BSU's Writing Resource Center for writing assistance.
   - Responses will be reviewed and evaluated using the Teacher Education Admission Rubric (Campus Version)
   - **Writing Prompts:**
     - **Teamwork** – Describe a time when you needed to work as part of a team. What was your role on the team and what actions did you take to contribute to the team's goals? How did this experience influence your desire to be a teacher?
     - **Time Management** – Describe a time when you had to work on multiple projects at once. How did you manage your time? How do you feel this experience will influence your teaching?
     - **Leadership** – Describe a leadership opportunity you had. What did you learn about yourself from that experience? How do you see this relating to being a teacher?
     - **Conflict Resolution** – Describe a time when you were faced with a difficult interpersonal situation. How did you resolve the conflict? How did this experience influence your desire to be a teacher?

5. **Complete the online Application for Admission to Teacher Education.** Applications may be submitted at any time. However, priority will be given to students who submit applications by the following dates:
   - Fall Admission – February 15th
   - Spring Admission – October 1st

   To apply, visit www.bemidjistate.edu/offices/teacher-education/admission/

   Applications are reviewed after the "Priority Deadlines" listed above and then approximately every 2 weeks after. Students will be notified by email of their acceptance status.

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