

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, **or** the recommender may send it directly to the Office of Teacher Education:
Teacher.Education@bemidjistate.edu

4. Address Four Writing Prompts

- **All responses should:** be organized, clearly respond to the provided prompt, and **demonstrate a strong desire to be an effective teacher.**
- 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:**
 - Communication (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? Be sure to demonstrate a strong desire to be an effective teacher.
 - Critical Thinking (Time Management) – Describe a time when you had to work on multiple projects at once. How did you manage your time? Be sure to demonstrate a strong desire to be an effective teacher.
 - Leadership – Describe a leadership opportunity you had. What did you learn about yourself from that experience? Be sure to demonstrate a strong desire to be an effective teacher.
 - Human Interaction (Conflict Resolution) – Describe a time when you were faced with a difficult interpersonal situation. How did you resolve the conflict? Be sure to demonstrate a strong desire to be an effective 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

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.