

From: [Jennifer G. Beasley](#)
To: [Alice R. Griffin](#)
Cc: [Ketevan Mamiseishvili](#); [Lisa Kulczak](#)
Subject: Re: Admission Criteria and the state
Date: Wednesday, April 28, 2021 11:45:17 AM

Hi Alice,

Due to the fact that this particular admission criteria (taking a Basic Skills standardized test) is not needed for programs in education (i.e. DESE), then they do not have to have DESE on the workflow (as a consequence, UTEB is left out as well). DESE said that moving forward, every program that makes admission criteria changes will need to remember to include it in their program paperwork moving forward. In other words, if they make changes for DESE, they need to have the wording in their paperwork about their new admission criteria.

I think DESE is allowing this “easier” way for this change because it was a change that the national accrediting body made - and our state doesn’t need that information (basic skill data).

I will let the programs know that they will need to attach the letter and putting in a Minor Change to an Existing Degree.

I have a meeting with all programs tomorrow afternoon and this will come up, so I am glad to have your guidance.

Thank you,
Jennifer

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On Apr 28, 2021, at 11:26 AM, Alice R. Griffin <agriffin@uark.edu> wrote:

Good morning Jennifer,

Attaching a copy of the letter is a very good way to keep the documentation on file within the institution. By the way, changing the admission requirements will require campus approval. Before the programs submit the changes, will they need DESE approval? Or does DESE simply want notified?

The concern I have is that normally the change would be considered a minor change that would only include campus committee approval, such as UCPC and Faculty Senate. The licensure options within the modification menu reflect making minor changes which includes section C or deleting a licensure program including section D. This circumstance does not fit either of these options. If the programs selected “Making Minor Changes to an Existing Degree” it would leave out UTEB, as well as DESE from the approval workflow.

Should UTEB and DESE be included in the approval workflow? If so, I will need to visit with Lisa to explore options for the workflow. If not, I would simply recommend to the teacher education programs to submit the request and selecting Making Minor Changes to an Existing Degree. Thanks for the clarification.

Best,
Alice

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Hi Alice,

Many of our teacher education programs (i.e Agricultural Education, Physical Education) are changing their admission criteria by removing the requirement of “basic skills testing.” Our Department of Secondary and Elementary Education asked for them to simply send in a letter to them letting them know that they are changing this. In addition, our faculty are making changes in Courseleaf so that the catalog copy will also represent this new admission criteria. **Do you want them to attach the letter they are sending?** They did not want the programs to send in all new paperwork, just the small adjustment through an email/letter.

Thank you,

Jennifer

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