Teacher Education Program Benchmarks

Welcome to the Education Preparation Program at Southern Illinois University. We are committed to preparing dedicated and reflective teachers through meaningful student teaching and field placement experiences, ultimately impacting student learning and changing lives.

**During EDUC 301: Semester 1 of TEP**
- Construct Gateway template in EDUC 301.
- Note: artifacts for Gateway Portfolio are identified in all EDUC courses and in some of the courses in your major.
- Complete Teacher Safety Education Module on line.
- Sign up for EDUC 302 clinical placement with your Academic Advisor.
- Review your Degree Works Audit.
- Check your ELIS account for accurate contact information.

**During EDUC 302: Semester 2**
- Continue uploading artifacts in your Gateway Portfolio.
- Review your Degree Works Audit.
- Sign up for EDUC 303 (EDUC 400 for special education majors) clinical placement with your Academic Advisor.

**During EDUC 303 (or EDUC 400): Semester 3**
- Submit Student Teaching Application.
- Sign up for student teaching (401) with your Academic Advisor.
- Take the Content Area Test (register at: [www.il.nesinc.com](http://www.il.nesinc.com))
- Expect email (in SIU email account) with specific directions and dates for:
  - TB test
  - Signed Physical Exam Form
  - Mandated Reporter Training
- Achieve a 2.75 major GPA, and earn a C or above on all EDUC and content-area coursework.
- Ensure ALL transfer credits reflect on your official transcript.
- Deliver Gateway Portfolio defense.
- Apply for graduation.
- Attend student teaching orientation.

**During EDUC 401 (student teaching): Final Semester**
- Attend Student Teacher seminars.
- Submit edTPA – required for licensure.
- Attend licensure training session.

Complete the licensure process according to licensure training instructions