

CAEP Measure 3: Candidate competency at completion

All program completers are required to maintain a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.75. In addition, there are different GPA requirements based on the student's major and minor. All candidates are required to take and pass the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification prior to student teaching. This allows students to be hired upon graduation. Exceptions may be allowed for students who have a class not complete or attempted the exam but were not successful. Students falling into this category are required to complete a program deviation application which is then sent to a committee. The committee reviews course completion, GPA and feedback from clinical experience. We collect data during their 40- hour and 80-hour clinical experience from the mentor teacher, the student, and the University faculty member assigned to the course. In the application the student is expected to justify why they should be allowed to student teach prior to completing all courses or passing the MTTC. The following tables show how many requests were made, for what reason, and approval status

For academic years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

Summary of Deviations Requests 2022-2024

	2022-2023	2023-2024
Exceptional Student Teaching Experience (ESTE)	7/7	3/4
Student teach without passing MTTC	21/21	18/18
Take a class while student teaching	5/5	0/1
Does not meet GPA	0/4	0/0
MISC	0/0	3/4

Request to student teach with a missing course may be related to the course rotation. We have a few courses that are only available in the summer or on an every-other-year basis. Students are not allowed to take courses while student teaching. If there was approval with conditions, the student may have another issue such as not passing the MTTC. Requests to student teach without passing the MTTC are approved with the understanding that the student will not be recommended for certification until they pass. An approval with conditions is usually because there is another issue such as a missing course.