



UNIVERSITY OF SIOUX FALLS

## *Common Terms / Master of Education in Teaching Spring 2023*

Certification Officer: Dr. Michelle Hanson; Individual at the teacher preparation institution that verifies with the state Department of Education that you have completed required work. Any questions about certification, in any state, should be directed to Dr. Hanson.

CTE: Career & Technical Education refers to middle and high school students enrolled in programs leading to careers in such areas as engineering, construction, health and agriculture. Emphasis is on career exploration and developing skills and knowledge for work to meet the needs of South Dakota's in demand industries. Students seeking CTE certification and/or have a bachelor's degree in a CTE area should discuss with their advisor and/or certification officer.

D2 Rubric: Rubric to evaluate dispositions necessary in education (i.e., punctual, organized, etc.).  
Will be evaluated once, and as necessary.

Initial Certification: 1st certification received if receiving degree through teacher preparation program, and not already on contract. Process to attain your license.

K-12 vs. Secondary Certification: K-12 (Art, Music, PE, Language): need 2 residency placements, "Split placement"; can teach K-12.  
Secondary: can teach Middle or High School. One residency placement.

Mentor Teacher: Classroom teacher (field expert) who coaches, models and provides feedback during residency. Midterm & Final evaluations.

Methods Course: Class taken January-February 2024 that focuses on how to teach content in specific area of focus. (\*CTE)

Placement: The classroom(s) in which you complete residency.

Praxis II Content Exam: Test demonstrating content knowledge in area you wish to teach. May take more than one. <https://www.ets.org/praxis>

Praxis II PLT Exam: "Principles of Learning and Teaching;" Exam to determine that you understand the art and science of teaching and learning.

Residency or Teacher Residency: previously "student teaching;" Professional semester where you spend 3.5 months learning and co-teaching in a classroom with a mentor teacher

Teacher Candidate: You! The Teacher Resident (TR) who is a candidate, and soon to be, a certified teacher.

University Supervisor: USF faculty or adjunct faculty who observes teaching and provides feedback 4 times during residency. Support person. Midterm & Final evaluations.