

Requirements for Biology Teacher Certification

Gateway I

Content Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Cum GPA 2.5 or better with a C or better in each course		
GPA 2.75 or better in all GSU gen. ed. courses		
Submit to the advisor scores from the Academic Profile		
8 hours general biology with a C or better		
8 hours general chemistry with a C or better		
SESPC Accepted Admissions essay		
Pass ICTS Basic Skills Exam		
Successful Fingerprint/Criminal Background Check		

Professional Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
EDUC 310 with a B or better		

Dispositions

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
SESPC accepted Admissions essay		

Gateway II – Continuation in Program and Admission to Teaching Methods Courses

Content Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
GPA of 3.0 or better in all BIOL and CHEM courses with a C or better in each course		
GPA 3.0 or better in all professional education courses with a grade of C or better in each course		

Pedagogical Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Successful completion of pre-student teaching clinical experiences		
GPA 3.0 or better in all professional education courses with a grade of C or better in each course		

Professional Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
GPA 3.0 or better in all professional education courses with a grade of C or better in each course		

Dispositions

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
Successful completion of pre-student teaching clinical experiences		

	Initials/Date	Comments
Positive recommendation of the SESPC		

Gateway III – Admission to Student Teaching

Content Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
Pass the ICTS Content Area Exam		

Pedagogical Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
Successful completion of 100 clock hours of pre-student teaching clinical experiences		
GPA of 3.0 or better in all professional education courses with a grade of C or better in each course and B or better in EDUC433 and EDUC434		

Professional Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
Successful completion of 100 clock hours of pre-student teaching clinical experiences		
GPA 3.0 or better in all professional education courses with a grade of C or better in each course and B or better in EDUC433 and EDUC434		

Dispositions

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
Successful completion of 100 clock hours of pre-student teaching clinical experiences		
GPA 3.0 or better in all professional education courses with a grade of C or better in each course and B or better in EDUC433 and EDUC434		

	Initials/Date	Comments
Positive recommendation of the SESPC		

Gateway IV– Graduation and Recommendation for Certification

Content Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
Successful completion of all required coursework as indicated on the Student Study Plan		
Complete Student Teaching Portfolio		
B or better in student teaching		
Pass ICTS Assessment of Professional Teaching exam		
Exit interview with University Supervisor		

Pedagogical Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
Pass ICTS Assessment of Professional Teaching exam		
Complete student teaching portfolio		
B or better in student teaching		
Exit interview with University Supervisor		

Professional Knowledge and Skills

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
Pass ICTS Assessment of Professional Teaching exam		
Complete student teaching portfolio		
B or better in student teaching		
Exit interview with University Supervisor		

Dispositions

Requirements	Initials/Date	Comments
Completed previous gateway		
B or better in student teaching		
Philosophy of Education paper		
Exit interview with University Supervisor		

	Initials/Date	Comments
Positive recommendation of the SESPC		

