

281—79.24(256) Intern license program of study standard. A program's required coursework will include a minimum of 28 semester hours or equivalent designed to ensure that teacher intern candidates develop the dispositions, knowledge, and performance expectations of the InTASC standards embedded at a level appropriate for a beginning teacher.

79.24(1) Teacher intern candidates will develop the dispositions, knowledge and performance expectations of the Iowa teaching standards (aligned with InTASC standards) and the BOEE's Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics at a level appropriate for a beginning teacher.

79.24(2) All components of the program of study may only be initiated and completed after the candidate has completed a baccalaureate degree.

79.24(3) Coursework and competencies to be completed will include but not be limited to:

a. Understanding how learners grow and develop and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences. This aligns with InTASC standard 1.

b. Demonstrating competence in content knowledge appropriate to the teaching position. This aligns with Iowa teaching standard 2 (281—subrule 83.4(2)) and with InTASC standards 4 and 5.

c. Demonstrating competence in classroom management. This aligns with Iowa teaching standard 6 (281—subrule 83.4(6)) and with InTASC standard 3.

d. Demonstrating competence in planning and preparing for instruction. This aligns with Iowa teaching standard 3 (281—subrule 83.4(3)) and with InTASC standard 7.

e. Using a variety of methods to monitor student learning. This aligns with Iowa teaching standard 5 (281—subrule 83.4(5)) and InTASC standard 6.

79.24(4) Additional coursework and competencies to be completed upon the recommendation for an initial teaching license will include:

a. Using strategies to deliver instruction that meets the multiple learning needs of students. This aligns with Iowa teaching standard 4 (281—subrule 83.4(4)) and with InTASC standards 2 and 8.

b. Engaging in professional growth. This aligns with Iowa teaching standard 7 (281—subrule 83.4(7)) and with InTASC standard 9.

c. Contributing to efforts to achieve district and building goals. This aligns with Iowa teaching standard 8 (281—subrule 83.4(8)) and with InTASC standard 10.

d. Demonstrating ability to enhance academic performance and support for implementation of the school district student achievement goals. This aligns with Iowa teaching standard 1 (281—subrule 83.4(1)).

79.24(5) Each teacher intern candidate will demonstrate knowledge about literacy and receives preparation in literacy. Each candidate will also develop and demonstrate the ability to integrate reading strategies into content area coursework.

79.24(6) Each teacher intern candidate will effectively demonstrate the ability to integrate technology into instruction to support student learning.

79.24(7) Each teacher intern candidate will receive dedicated coursework related to the study of human relations, cultural competency and diverse learners, such that the candidate is prepared to work with students from diverse groups as defined in rule 281—79.2(256). The unit shall provide evidence that teacher intern candidates have developed the ability to meet the needs of all learners, including:

a. Students from diverse ethnic, racial and socioeconomic backgrounds;

b. Students with disabilities. This will include preparation in developing and implementing individualized education programs and behavioral intervention plans, preparation for educating individuals in the least restrictive environment and identifying that environment, and strategies that address difficult and violent student behavior and improve academic engagement and achievement;

c. Students who are gifted and talented;

d. English learners; and

e. Students who may be at risk of not succeeding in school. This preparation will include classroom management addressing high-risk behaviors, including behaviors related to substance use disorder.

79.24(8) Each teacher intern candidate will demonstrate knowledge and application of the appropriate Iowa core standard to the teaching position.

79.24(9) Each teacher intern candidate will be engaged in field experiences that include opportunities for both observation of exemplary instruction and involvement in co-planning and co-teaching. Each teacher intern candidate will complete at least 50 hours of field experience. The institution will enter into a written contract with the cooperating school or district providing field experiences.

79.24(10) The teacher intern preparation program will provide a teacher intern seminar during the year leading to postintern licensure to support and extend coursework from the teacher intern content and facilitate teacher intern reflection.

79.24(11) In accordance with 281—Chapter 83, all teacher interns will be provided with a district-level mentor in addition to the program supervisor. The teacher intern will work under the teacher leader's supervision, including during co-teaching and planning time. The purpose of this district-level mentor is to provide coaching feedback dependent on the teacher intern's classroom experience. This district-level mentor shall not serve in an evaluative role. The district-level mentor shall complete specialized training for serving as a mentor as required in rule 281—83.3(284). The program will coordinate support between the teacher intern candidate's local district mentor and program supervisor.

79.24(12) The program shall provide an orientation for teacher intern candidates. The orientation will include but not be limited to:

- a.* Program goals and expectations;
- b.* Licensure and ethics provisions;
- c.* Support provided by the program; and
- d.* Support provided by the LEA or AEA.

79.24(13) Teacher intern faculty will provide teacher intern candidates with academic advising, feedback about the candidates' performance throughout the program and consultation opportunities.

79.24(14) Teacher intern faculty will provide regular supervision in teacher intern candidates' classrooms with additional supervision and assistance provided as needed.

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