

EdRAC Meeting

Thursday, February 1, 2024

1:00PM – 2:00PM

Zoom:

- Updates from the University System of Georgia: USG
 - Introduction of Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Programs and Policy
 - They will be co-liaisons to the group
 - Math education background and excitement to work with the group.
 - Questions for USG: Will the USG want to review PSC submissions in October 2024? No information currently that this will be requested but may change.
 - New Associate Vice Chancellor for transitional and general education. Core IMPACTS is moving forward 2/16 for the general education council. Also working on pathways and articulations.
 - METRICS Dashboard contact
 - If the system office can support in literacy work let Dana know.
 - Sharing of Middle Georgia State proposal Master's Degree by K-12 literacy master's in education. Fully online. New programs can contact the USG to discuss prior to submitting a proposal.

- Updates from the Georgia Professional Standards Commission
 - PSC was asked to periodically attend the edRAC meeting. Last meeting was productive and helpful to share with team.
 - Updates to share: GaPSC adopted new approval standards for teacher preparation in January 2024. The new literacy rules are the main change. These standards will be effective Fall 2024. The standards will be applied to approval reviews in Fall 2025.
 - PRS-III has also been updated to align with the new standards.
 - There will be a change in the spring webinar series. This will be emailed to EPPs. The Feb 22nd webinar will be changed to a later date to ensure the platform preview will be available. Instead, will further unpack the expectations for the Fall 2024 submission. Will also preview or show the evaluation tool that will be used for Fall 2024. The March webinar will be canceled due to a conflict.
 - Literacy reviewer follow up interest meeting and training will begin this spring. The literacy reviewers will review the Fall 2024 implementation reports and serve on future approval reviews.
 - There is concern about candidates completing field and clinical experiences without a preservice certificate. This is a serious concern for the safety and well-being of students. Clinical guidance for EPPs is currently in development and internal review. Will be shared with EPPs. Gradually restoring guidance documents to the .org and .com websites.

- Question about the impact of out of state providers. GaPSC is exploring ways to utilize the technology and functionality of safeguards with TPMS. What enforcement is there for noncompliance? If a candidate is an employed paraprofessional, they still need a preservice certificate. PSC may invite representation from the certification division to the next meeting. Request for the focus to be on additional steps for out of state providers to not add additional steps for instate providers.
- Literacy
 - Questions regarding notes sent out after the EdRAC December meeting.
 - Questions regarding information sent out after the January 17 GaPSC webinar.
 - Any other updates?
 - USG Literacy Consortium – working group is continuing to meet throughout the spring on collaborative modules and aligned assessments. February and March meetings will be on Zoom, and April will be at the UGA Gwinnett Campus for a longer working session.
 - EDUC 2140 Foundations of Reading proposed course outline shared with group for institutions interested in using at individual institutions. The hope is with shared outcomes this course could be transferrable across institutions. Will attach the course proposal with EdRAC minutes. Individual institutions will need to seek approval for Core IMPACTS and Field of Study.
- Question about Part-Time Pay
 - Interested in what part-time faculty pay is across the USG to make the case to increase or differentiate based on number of years teaching. Please share with Augusta's dean. This rate has not changed in years.
- Other Items for the Good of the Order?

Next Meeting:

- April 4, 2024, from 1:00PM – 2:00PM

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