



Gateway Process: Traditional Program Baccalaureate Degree and License Seeking

Gateways are the formal processes and procedures for enrollment, progression, and the successful completion of the Educator Preparation Program. A student admitted to the College becomes a student seeking a degree in Education granted from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College. The student must be formally enrolled in the Education Department to hold license-seeking status. Upon formal enrollment in the Educator Preparation Program, the student's status changes to be a teacher candidate seeking licensure in the State of Indiana.

Gateway I Required Materials

All education students will be enrolled in a Gateway I Brightspace/D2L shell at the completion of **40** credit hours and ALL materials **MUST BE SUBMITTED** by the completion of **75** credit hours (this includes credits transferred from other institutions). Students must achieve and/or submit the following:

- Attainment of a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4-point scale.
- Demonstration of content knowledge on file for Reading and Math. A passing score is not required, only documentation of taking either SAT, ACT, or PRAXIS. Content knowledge (passing test scores) **must be met** by Gateway II, approval to Student Teach.
- Successful completion of a clinical experience with SMWC with documented evidence of professional behaviors, dispositions, values, and attitudes.
- One Professional Recommendation Letter (InTASC 9, 10, & EDPG 11)
- Statement of Service (InTASC 9, 10, & EDPG 11)
- Professional Resume (EDPG 11)
- Philosophy of Teaching (InTASC 9)
- Video presentations (3-5 minutes each) demonstrating formative understanding of:
 - InTASC 1: Learner Development
 - InTASC 2: Learner Differences
 - InTASC 3: Learning Environments
 - InTASC 7: Planning for Instruction

- Faculty members will evaluate submission materials and provide formative feedback and formal admission to the Education Preparation Program. The evaluation team will determine one of the following:
 - a. **Enrolled** – Student has successfully passed Gateway I, is a Teacher Candidate, and is permitted to enroll in ED courses at the 300-level or higher.
 - b. **Not Enrolled** – Student has not passed Gateway I and is not eligible to enroll in 300-level ED courses or higher. If a student is not successful in maintaining a 3.0 GPA or meeting other criteria. This may pertain to students who do not display appropriate professional behaviors, dispositions, values, and attitudes that are necessary for success in teaching. Students may appeal Gateway I decisions in writing to the Teacher Education Board.
- A formal letter of enrollment will be emailed from the Administrative Assistant (Shala Ingle) to the Teacher Candidate’s SMWC email, and the candidate will be enrolled into the Gateway II, Brightspace/D2L shell.

Content Knowledge Options for Gateway I

	Math	Reading
ACT	21.25	21.25
SAT	532.50	543.33
Praxis Core	162.14	168.06

Gateway II Required Materials

The Gateway II process requires a formal interview with an Education Department evaluation team. The interview may be in person or virtual and must be arranged in advance through the academic advisor. Teacher candidates must achieve and/or submit the following:

- Completion of Gateway I requirements prior to 75 completed credit hours.
- Send a letter of application to Shala Ingle, shala.ingle@smwc.edu to schedule a Gateway II interview. Please submit your letter to the Gateway II shell in Brightspace/D2L. **In your letter of application address the following:**

- a. Why I have chosen teaching as a career?
 - b. Why I have chosen the specific developmental level(s) and content area(s)?
 - c. What personal qualities I will contribute to the educational field?
 - d. What have I learned that I can apply to student teaching and the education profession?
- Writing Prompt in the Gateway II Brightspace/D2L shell completed and evaluated by two readers assigned by the Education Department.
 - Formal Gateway II Interview will be scheduled by the following dates:
 - Fall Student Teaching-March 15th; student teaching application due by April 1st.
 - Spring Student Teaching-September 15th; student teaching application due by October 1st.
 - Student Teaching Application submitted to Dr. Michelle Henderson, michelle.henderson@smwc.edu by either October 1st (for Spring student teaching) or April 1st (for Fall student teaching). The Student Teaching Application must be submitted by the dates listed above or student teaching placements are not guaranteed.
 - Demonstration of content knowledge or Licensing Requirements through any of the following (or combination of any tests):

Content Knowledge Options for Gateway II

	Math	Reading	Mild Intervention
ACT	21.25	21.25	N/A
SAT	532.50	543.33	N/A
Praxis Core	162.14	168.06	N/A
240 Tutoring (before final 13 credit hours remaining)	90% P-3: CASA Math K-6: Elementary Education Generalist: Mathematics (061)	90% P-3: CASA Reading K-6: Elementary Education Generalist: (060)	90% Special Education Core Knowledge Mild to Moderate Applications (5543)
Licensure Tests	*STEM Subtest Math and Science P-3 (5028) K-6 (5008)	*Humanities Subtest Reading and Language Arts & Social Studies P-3 (5027) K-6 (5008)	*Core Knowledge Mild to Moderate Applications P-3 and K-6 (5543)

***ETS tests begin September 1, 2021**

Praxis Core and Licensure Tests link:

<https://www.ets.org/praxis>

SAT link:

<https://www.collegeboard.org/sat>

ACT link:

<https://www.act.org>

240 Tutoring link: please email robin.thoma@smwc.edu

Gateway III

Successful completion of student teaching and all requirements. BS/BA or certificate awarded.

Gateway IV

Successfully completing all applicable licensure tests and submitting all materials to the LVIS portal.

*The SMWC Education Department reserves the right to update content knowledge scores relative to accreditation and licensing requirements. Please keep in close contact with your advisor for changes in this information.

**see ED Gateway I Enrollment Site document descriptions for directions and document codes.

***The Gateway II interview will not be held until all the aforementioned items have been submitted.

**Gateway II interview must be completed before submitting a Student Teaching Application