

# Middle Level Education Grades 4-8 Associate in Arts

# PROGRAM AUDIT 2010 - 2015

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#### **Program Purpose**

Northampton Community College is committed to providing an excellent foundation for students in the program Middle Level Education: Grades 4-8. The College offers the first two years of the baccalaureate degree. Completion of the associate in arts degree allows for a smooth transition to a four-year institution for advanced courses leading to a degree and certification for middle level teachers.

Northampton's program is flexible to allow students to select courses for their individual transfer needs. We encourage Middle Level majors to talk with staff at the college or university to which they wish to transfer so that they can then select NCC courses to meet the transfer school's specific requirements.

This audit document reviews the Middle Level Education program as it existed from 2010 through the 2014-15 academic year. It is important to note that the Commonwealth made significant changes to Pennsylvania teacher certification in recent years, including the creation of new certificates in:

- Grades 4-8 English Language Arts
- Grades 4-8 Mathematics
- Grades 4-8 Science
- Grades 4-8 Social Studies

The Middle Level Education degree was created at NCC in response to the establishment of these new teaching certificates. This audit is the first one for the degree program in Middle Level Education: Grades 4-8 associate in arts program at NCC.

#### Curriculum

The associate in arts degree in Middle Level Education is a 63 credit program. The degree introduces students to the field of education and includes the hours and competencies for Stage 1 & 2 field experiences as defined by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE). The structure of the curriculum also includes exposure to the four disciplines aligned with teaching certification in middle level, and general education core courses.

Program outcomes for the degree provide the guideposts for the curriculum and are stated below.

#### Program Outcomes

Graduates of the program will:

- Explain the distinctive philosophy and characteristic components of developmentally responsive middle level programs and schools.
- Identify the range of developmental differences of all young adolescents and the implications of these differences for teaching and learning.
- Explain the historical, legal, and philosophical frameworks of special education to describe current trends, evidence-based practices, and resources relevant to the education of children with exceptionalities.
- Summarize the process of acquiring multiple languages and literacy skills, and the sociocultural characteristics of English Language Learners.

- Plan positive, productive teaching and learning opportunities that take into consideration the developmental differences of adolescents.
- Practice being a positive role model and tutor to middle level students by upholding high professional standards in the school setting during 40 hours of early field experience.

Specifically, the Middle Level Education curriculum includes 10 credits of education and a 3 credit literature course developed specifically for Middle Level and Secondary Education majors:

- EDUC115 Education for All Teachers (10 hours field work)
- SPED160 Introduction to Special Education (10 hours field work)
- EDUC260G Adolescent Development and Cognition (10 hours field work)
- ENGL215G Multicultural Adolescent Literature (10 hours field work)
- EDUC105 Pre-Service Academic Assessment (PAPA) preparation (1 credit)

Additionally, all students take courses in each of the content certification areas:

- 8 credits of science
- 9 credits of English and communications
- 12 credits of mathematics
- 12 credits of social science

Students select three transfer elective courses that align with their intended baccalaureate program.

Modification to the curriculum of the degree has been very minor over this time period. A comparison of the 2010 and 2014 curriculum appears in Appendix A. The only change is the addition of the course EDUC260G Adolescent Development and Cognition. This course replaces EDUC252G Educational Psychology, which most transfer institutions were no longer accepting because it covered the kindergarten through grade twelve span. For a number of years Educational Psychology remained an elective course. However, to provide a focus on the important issues of adolescent learning and development, education faculty members developed the adolescent psychology course to replace it.

The competencies related to Stage 1 and 2 field experience as defined by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) are embedded into the core education courses, as noted above. Faculty members have constructed the appropriate assignments, which include observation of and supervised work with school children, along with reflective assignments, to meet the competencies. Consult Appendix B for a chart with the alignment of courses and assignments with PDE field experience competencies.

Content related to English language learners is integrated into the core education courses and is reflected in the program outcomes.

Northampton Community College prides itself on maintaining a solid general education core. Students complete courses that help to cultivate key skills in writing, oral communication, computer literacy, quantitative literacy and science, as well as to broaden exposure to the arts, humanities, and social sciences. The general education core includes outcomes for diversity and global awareness, information literacy, and critical thinking and problem solving, all key competencies for future educators.

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#### **Program Faculty**

Through the years spanned in this audit there has been great stability in the teaching staff. Three faculty members anchored the program throughout the time span covered by this audit document. In the spring of 2016, Judith Buenaflor, Associate Professor of Education was re-assigned to the English Department, but she continues to teach the Multicultural Adolescent Literature course which is populated mainly by education students.

Dr. Annette Bruno teaches at the Bethlehem Campus, and Dr. Nancy Moreau teaches at the Monroe Campus. Dr. Bruno and Dr. Moreau have extensive public school experience, and both have earned tenure at Northampton as well as promotion to the rank of professor. They distinguish themselves in their department and also by engaging in substantive college-wide activities and service.

In recent years, full-time faculty have taught all sections of the courses in the major with the exception of Introduction to Special Education and the one-credit PAPA preparation course. There has also been a dedicated, stable cadre of part-time instructors to teach both of these courses. The names and credentials of both full and part-time faculty members appear below.

#### Middle Level Education Program: Full-Time Faculty Members

#### 2010-2015

Bruno, Annette
B.S. Bloomsburg University; M.Ed. Kutztown University; Ed. D. Widener University
Moreau, Nancy
B.S. Pennsylvania State University; M.Ed. Pennsylvania State University; Ph.D. Copella

University

Buenaflor, Judith B.A. Rosemont College; M.A. Kutztown University; M. Ed. Kutztown University;

Ed.S. Walden University

#### Middle Level Education Program: Adjunct Faculty Members

#### 2010-2011

Bruck, Kristen B.S. Penn State; M.Ed. Kutztown University

Cunconan-Lahr, Robin B.S. University of Iowa; M.S. Iowa State University; J.D. Drake University Law School

Kennedy, Trieste B.S. Bloomsburg University; M. Ed. Cedar Crest College Pretopapa, Jessica B.A. Shippensburg University; M.Ed. Wilkes University Stifel, Susan B.A. Queens University; M.Ed. University of North Carolina Theisen, Laurie B.S. Bloomsburg University; M.Ed. McDaniel College

#### 2011-2012

Bruck, Kristen B.S. Penn State; M.Ed. Kutztown University

Cunconan-Lahr, Robin B.S. University of Iowa; M.S. Iowa State University; J.D. Drake University Law School

Kennedy, Trieste B.S. Bloomsburg University; M. Ed. Cedar Crest College Pretopapa, Jessica B.A. Shippensburg University; M.Ed. Wilkes University Theisen, Laurie B.S. Bloomsburg University; M.Ed. McDaniel College

#### 2012-2013

Cunconan-Lahr, Robin B.S. University of Iowa; M.S. Iowa State University; J.D. Drake University Law School

Pretopapa, Jessica B.A. Shippensburg University; M.Ed. Wilkes University Theisen, Laurie B.S. Bloomsburg University; M.Ed. McDaniel College

#### 2013-2014

Cunconan-Lahr, Robin B.S. University of Iowa; M.S. Iowa State University; J.D. Drake University Law School

Perry, Janet B.A. Houghton College

Pretopapa, Jessica B.A. Shippensburg University; M.Ed. Wilkes University

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Theisen, Laurie B.S. Bloomsburg University; M.Ed. McDaniel College Yeager, Roberta B.S. Mansfield University; M.Ed. Mansfield University

Young, Kimberly B.S. East Stroudsburg University; M.S. East Stroudsburg University

**2014-2015** 

Cunconan-Lahr, Robin B.S. University of Iowa; M.S. Iowa State University; J.D. Drake University Law School

Kennedy, Trieste
Pretopapa, Jessica
Yeager, Roberta
B.S. Bloomsburg University; M. Ed. Cedar Crest College
B.A. Shippensburg University; M.Ed. Wilkes University
B.S. Mansfield University; M.Ed. Mansfield University

On the administrative level there have been several changes worth noting. First, by fall 2007 enrollments in education majors had swelled to over 1,200 students. Enrollments overall at NCC also saw steep increases from 2001 (6,216 students) through the high point of 2011 (11,350 students). The increases in students led to a reorganization from three academic divisions to four. In 2009 the education departments moved from the division of Humanities & Social Sciences to the newly created division of Education & Academic Success. This division contains the five education majors, two child care centers, a healthy number of grants and contracts in early childhood education through the community education division, and the learning center. The division, led by Dr. Elizabeth Tyler Bugaighis, also encompasses the annual humanities programming for the college, and the responsibilities for college-wide retention and graduation initiatives.

During the years this document covers NCC had three separate departments under the dean of education. Faculty members in education and special education reported directly to the dean, faculty members in early childhood education reported to the director of early childhood education.

Now all faculty members and students in the five education majors are in one department housed under the director of education. The restructuring became effective in spring 2016 and rolled the middle, secondary, and special education programs into the span of responsibilities of the director with the appointment of Ms. Christina Lincoln to the position. The purpose of the change is to bring all five associate degree programs and many shorter term certificates and diplomas under one roof, to create a unified department and capitalize on cross-collaborative efforts.

#### **Enrollment**

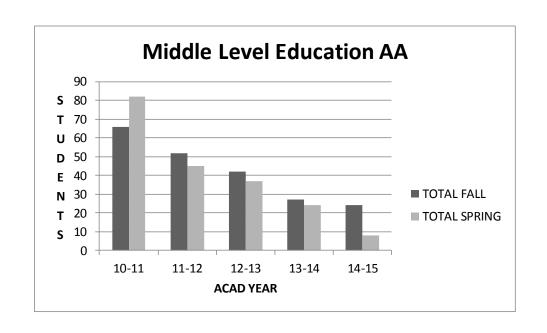
The Middle Level Education degree can be completed both on the Bethlehem and the Monroe Campuses. Currently the only education courses in the program available online are SPED160 Introduction to Special Education and EDUC105 Pre-Service Academic Assessment (PAPA) preparation. Students may take all of the other course work outside of the education courses, online. The availability of online courses as an option keeps the degree accessible and gives students flexibility to schedule courses in a way that allows them to combine full or part-time study with work and family obligations.

The table and bar chart below show that enrollment in the Middle Level degree is declining. This downward trend is consistent with enrollments statewide in all sectors of higher education in teacher education programs.

As typical of the community college student population generally, the major enrolls both full and part-time students. As typical with the college generally, more students tend to be enrolled in the fall semester as compared to spring. Many part-time students enrollment patterns are unpredictable as they often "stop-out" for a semester or two and then return.

#### MIDDLE LEVEL EDUCATION MAJORS

	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15
FALL	0.7	40	00	40	40
FULL-TIME	37	19	23	13	16
PART-TIME	29	33	19	14	8
TOTAL FALL	66	52	42	27	24
SPRING					
FULL-TIME	42	23	16	11	4
PART-TIME	40	22	21	13	4
TOTAL SPRING	82	45	37	24	8



#### **Program Outcomes for Middle Level Education Majors**

There are two sources of information about how Middle Level education majors perform. The first is assessment data drawn from faculty members' evaluation of student performance against course and program outcomes. The second measure of success of students comes from the NCC Placement Report.

Described below are the results of two assessment projects conducted by faculty members.

#### TITLE: EDUC 115- SLOC Project- Assessment #1

Completed by: Annette Bruno, Judith Buenaflor, Nancy Moreau

**The Background:** During fall 2012 and spring 2013, the Education Department conducted a Student Learning Outcome Assessment for the Middle Level and Secondary Education programs at NCC. The Learning Outcome assessed was:

#### **EDUC115** Education for All Students

• Students will define the role of teachers at different levels (Pre-K-4, 4-8, 7-12), analyze their own strengths and interests, and find a match to a suitable certification level

**The Assessment's Purpose:** This assessment was conducted to determine which experiences from the EDUC 115-Education for All Students course were most helpful to students in clarifying the level of certification they would like to pursue.

**The Procedure:** In FA12, a pre and post course survey resulted in a decision to slightly revise the questions on the assessment survey to specifically address the importance of all of the course activities in aiding the students' decision to teach and at what level to teach. Questions on the pre and post surveys asked about the students' major, whether they wanted to be a teacher, and what grade level they wanted to teach. Questions only included on the post survey asked students to describe, in their own words, the effect that the assignments: Memories of a Teacher, Philosophy of Education, Mrs. B's Classroom, and Field Experience had on their decisions. They were asked which of the above had the most effect and what was the most important thing they had learned from each.

**The Results:** Twenty-one students completed the pre-course survey (14-Bruno; 7-Moreau). Thirteen (62%) were secondary education majors; all (100%) wanted to be teachers. Twelve (52%) reported wanting to teach at the high school level. There were various subject area majors given.

Sixteen students completed the post course survey (10-Bruno; 6-Moreau). Nine (56%) were secondary education majors. Fourteen (88%) still reported that they wanted to be teachers; 8 (50%) at the secondary level. Majors varied.

Unfortunately, there were only eight students who completed both the pre-course and post-course survey. Of these, there was only one who was not sure about becoming a teacher. There were not many changes of desired grade level or subject areas. Therefore, it was difficult to make any recommendations based on this assessment.

#### Impact on the Program

Although the sample number of pre and post course survey returns was low, the field experience requirement was overwhelmingly chosen as the key to helping the students determine their career path. Their written responses mentioned:

- "Observing let me into the life of the classroom"
- "I learned that good teachers make it look easy"
- "Not every day goes as planned"
- "Every day is new and different"
- "You need classroom management skills"

The results of this assessment project show these experiences to be valuable to students when trying to clarify their desire to teach and the level at which to teach.

#### **TITLE: Program Assessment: Capstone Project for Education Students**

Completed by: Annette Bruno, Judith Buenaflor, Nancy Moreau

**The Background:** During Fall 2014 through present, the Education Department conducted a Program Assessment for the Middle Level and Secondary Education programs at NCC. Below is a list of the Learning Outcomes which relate to this assessment.

#### EDUC260G Adolescent Development and Cognition

- The students will demonstrate, in written work and oral presentations, an understanding of the major concepts, principles, theories, and research related to adolescent cognitive, social, sexual, emotional, and moral development.
- Reflect on the art and science of teaching
- Utilize knowledge of individual and cultural differences of adolescents to design examples of positive learning environments for all students.
- Practice a variety of strategies and techniques for adapting instruction in order to assure comprehension and success for students of diverse background and students with varying abilities in all phases of learning.

#### **EDUC115 Education for All Students**

- Students will demonstrate an understanding of effective teaching and good classroom management to create successful learning environments.
- Students will recognize the unique characteristics and needs of English Language Learners.

#### ENGL215G Multicultural Adolescent Literature

- Develop an appreciation for various communication/language styles
- Apply critical thinking to explore different cultures

#### SPE160 Introduction to Special Education

• Use universal design for learning and inclusive practices, knowledge, and skills

**The Assessment's Purpose:** The assignment selected for the program evaluation was the Lesson Plan and Presentation. The purpose of looking at this assignment was to assess its value as a culminating assignment and to determine what, if any, course review may be necessary to ensure that the above outcomes are met.

**The Procedure:** In FA14 and SP15, EDUC260G students were asked to write and present a Lesson Plan to their class. Students were given a template for the Lesson Plan as well as the rubric (see below) to be used to assess the Lesson Plan. Each student was walked through the process of writing and presenting a Lesson Plan and each student's rough draft of the Lesson Plan was reviewed by her/his professor.

**The Results:** Nineteen students presented the Lesson Plans to their classes. For the FA14 and SP15 students, the results are listed below:

15 were Proficient/Above Average3 were Basic/Average1 was Below Basic/Did not meet expectations

#### **Impact on the Program**

Post-assessment, a new rubric shown as Appendix C, was developed and, because every student is expected to be proficient/above average, it was decided that students should have more practice with teaching mini-lessons; this practice will start in the first course EDUC115. Also, beginning in FA 2015, Lesson Plans must state which educational theorists the Plan addresses. A section on differentiation was also added. It is hoped that these steps will improve Presentations and Lesson Plans in SP 2016.

#### Graduates

Moving from current students to students who completed the program, the Middle Level program produced 26 graduates over the period of time this audit covers. Twenty-one of them continued on to baccalaureate institutions as anticipated. Twelve of the graduates transferred to East Stroudsburg University. Other transfer institutions were: Moravian College, Cedar Crest College, Temple University, Kutztown University, Western Governors University of Phoenix, and Lancaster Bible College.

Please note that prior to the inception of the Middle Level degree program, students enrolled in the Education A.A. program which served as the pathway into teaching careers in the public schools grades Kindergarten to 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Students enrolled in the Education A.A. degree had the option to remain in that degree if they were near completion. Therefore, students continued to graduate from this program. From 2009 through 2014, 190 students graduated from the Education A.A. degree program. As the table below demonstrates the enrollment shifted away from the Education A.A. to the three new associate degree programs in teacher education.

Academic Year	Number of Graduates Education A.A. Degree
2009	72
2010	85
2011	28
2012	4
2013	0
2014	1
Total	190

Refer to Appendix D which contains all the Placement Report data for the Middle Level program.

#### **Program Cost & Income**

The Middle Level Education Program has seen declining revenue due to declining enrollments. The program remains in the middle of the pack in terms of the rankings of programs from most expensive to least expensive, as seen on the Academic Audit Financial Data table available in Appendix E. The program's cost per full-time equivalent (FTE) is running just slightly above the institutional average.

#### **Summary**

A review of the prior five years of the Middle Level Education: Grades 4-8 associate in arts degree program demonstrates that strongest features of the program are the full-time faculty members who deliver a solid curriculum using pedagogy which prepares students well for transfer. Faculty members have begun a program of assessment which will continue to inform them about needs for curricular revision or improvement. In Dr. Bruno, Mrs. Buenaflor, and Dr. Moreau students have exposure to highly credentialed and experienced teacher-educators. The cadre of adjunct instructors who teach Introduction to Special Education gives them access to teachers still in the field in many cases.

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The Middle Level Education degree prepares students for success at their transfer institutions. Students accumulate the knowledge, skills and early field experiences they need to transfer smoothly to a baccalaureate teacher certification preparation program. Like the majority of NCC transfer students, graduates tend to gravitate toward the state universities in the closest proximity to the Lehigh Valley.

Enrollment in the major is the biggest concern at this point in time. Deciding as a freshman or sophomore in college that teaching in the middle grades is the right choice for a teaching career can be challenging; however, NCC is proud to have a small, but admirable program. Many other community colleges do not provide a specific degree program for those intent on Middle Level certification. While NCC seeks to build the enrollment in this major, the continuation of the program does not present a specific issue. Students who major in Middle Level and both Secondary Education programs all take the same core education courses. The unique nature of the Middle Level degree at NCC is in the construction of the curricula to provide exposure to all four content certification areas.

#### **Conclusions**

- Well-prepared and dedicated professionals teach in the Middle Level Education program.
- The Middle Level Education program serves as a solid transfer program for pre-service teachers.
- The Middle Level Education program is on solid financial footing.
- The Middle Level Education program would benefit from increasing enrollment.

#### Recommendations

- Continue to alter curriculum as mandated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.
- Continue to monitor partner transfer institutions for curricular changes, and maintain close working relationships to ensure a seamless transfer.
- Continue to assess course and program level outcomes, and use results to improve the program.
- Continue outreach efforts to recruit and retain students.

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## **Appendices**

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Appendix B Field Experience Competencies, PDE

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Appendix D Placement Reports Classes of May 2011-May 2014

Appendix E Financial Data

#### **Appendix A** Curriculum 2010-11, 2014-15



# Northampton Community College

Fall 2010 Entry Middle Level Education: Grades 4-8 Program Associate in Arts Degree

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	Associate in Arts Degree	
Course Code	Course Title	Credits
	First Semester	
CMTH102	Speech Communication	3
EDUC115	Education for All Students	3
ENGL101C	English I	3
HIST113	American History I (SIT)	3
MATH118	Foundations of Math I (QL)	$\frac{3}{15}$
	Second Semester	15
	Second Schiester	
BIOS105	Contemporary Biology (SCI)	4
ENGL151C	English II	3
MATH119	Foundations of Math II	3
SPED160	Intro to Special Education	3
	Social Science Transfer Elective + (SSHB)	3 <u>3</u> 16
		16
	Third Semester	
CHEM135	Chemistry of Life	4
EDUC105	Praxis I Preparation	1
MATH150	Introductory Statistics (QL)	3
	Social Science Transfer Elective + (SIT or SSHB)	3
	Transfer Elective +	3
	Transfer Elective +	3 3 3 <u>3</u>
		17
	Fourth Semester	
ENGL215G	Multicultural Adolescent Literature	3
	(A/H)(WI)(D)	
MATH140	College Algebra	3
	Social Science Transfer Elective (SIT or SSHB) +	3
	Transfer Elective +	3 3 <u>3</u>
	Transfer Elective +	
		15
	<b>Total Credits</b>	63

- + Transfer Electives must be selected with the advice of an academic advisor so that courses will transfer to the students' intended transfer institution. Refer to transfer guides.
- . EDUC105 Praxis I Preparation course assists students to prepare for the standardized Praxis exam. The course is not otherwise AA/AS applicable and is not transferable.
- . Writing intensive courses include ENGL215G. One other course must be taken as writing intensive. ENGL215G also fulfils the Diversity elective.
- . Taking both ENGL101C and ENGL151C satisfies the general education Computer Literacy Requirement.

#### Appendix A Continued Curriculum 2010-11, 2014-15



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Fall 2014 Entry Middle Level Education: Grades 4-8 Program **Associate in Arts Degree** 

**Course Code Course Title Credits First Semester Speech Communication** 3 CMTH102 **Education for All Students** 3 EDUC115 ENGL101C English I 3 American History I (SIT) 3 HIST113 Foundations of Math I (QL) 3 MATH118 15 **Second Semester** BIOS105 Contemporary Biology (SCI) 3 English II (Literature) ENGL151L 3 MATH119 Foundations of Math II SPED160 Intro to Special Education 3 Social Science Transfer Elective + (SSHB) 3 **Third Semester** CHEM135 Chemistry of Life 4 Pre-Service Academic Assessment EDUC105 (PAPA) Preparation Adolescent Development & Cognition (WI) 3 EDUC260G Introductory Statistics (QL) MATH150 3 Social Science Transfer Elective + (SIT or SSHB) Transfer Elective + 17 **Fourth Semester** ENGL215G Multicultural Adolescent Literature 3 (AH)(WI)(D)MATH140 College Algebra Social Science Transfer Elective (SIT or SSHB) + Transfer Elective + 3 Transfer Elective + 3 15 63

College Catalog 14-15

+ Transfer Electives must be selected with the advice of an academic advisor so that courses will transfer to the students' intended transfer institution. Refer to transfer guides.

**Total Credits** 

- . EDUC105 Pre-Service Academic Assessment (PAPA) Preparation course assists students to prepare for the standardized exam. The course is not otherwise AA/AS applicable and is not transferable.
- . Writing intensive courses include ENGL260G and ENGL215G. ENGL 215G also fulfils the Diversity and Global Awareness elective.
- . Taking both ENGL101C and ENGL151L satisfies the general education Computer Literacy Requirement.

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# Appendix B Field Experience Competencies Pennsylvania Department of Education

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) has developed a general set of field experience and student teaching competencies that are required for certification. All Instructional I certifications will replace the field experience hours with competency-based assessments for Stages 1, 2 and 3 field experiences. The purpose of the Stage 1 & 2 Field Experience is to provide pre-service teachers with appropriate classroom experiences at the introduction of their course work. These experiences are meant to help the pre-service teacher determine if teaching is an appropriate career choice. For those pre-service teachers who decide to pursue teacher certification, the field experiences will progress from the Stage 1 & 2 Field Experiences to Stage 3 Pre-student Teaching and finally Stage 4 Student Teaching. All field experiences are directly related to material presented in the various education courses.

Program providers will continue to report the hours assigned to each stage of field experience. However, the emphasis in the guidelines has shifted from hours to the competencies expected to be demonstrated through field experience(s).

#### Stage 1 and Stage 2 Competencies

Stages 1 and 2: All Instructional I Certificates Pre-K-4; 4-8; Special Education Pre-K-8; Special Education 7-12; K-12, Secondary 7-12; Teacher Intern; and Endorsements.

Competency	Requirement is Met When:	Course	Assessment of
Domain		Where Met	Competency
A. Planning and	The candidate:		
Preparation			
	1. Reflects on elements of planning and	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	preparation from observations in educational	ENGL215G	Portfolio reflection
	settings.	EDUC260G	
	2. Applies knowledge of PA Pre-K-12 Academic	EDUC115,	Observation Reports,
	Standards to classroom observations.	EDUC260G	Tutoring Log
	3. Identifies ways in which the age and/or related	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	characteristics of students observed in various	EDUC260G,	Tutoring Reports
	learning were reflected in instructional planning.	ENGL215G	Portfolio reflections
	4. Identifies how learning goals were developed	EDUC115	ELL/ SPED Observations
	to address individual student needs.	EDUC260G	Lesson Plans
			Tutoring Report
	5. Identifies how various resources, materials,	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	technology and activities engage students in	EDUC260G,	Tutoring Reports
	meaningful learning based on the instructional	ENGL215G	Portfolio reflections
	goals.		
B. Classroom Environment	The candidate:		
	1. Describes elements of effective classroom	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	management observed in various educational	ENGL215G	Portfolio reflections
	settings.	EDUC260G	
	2. Observes teacher-to-student and student-to-	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	student interactions and reflects on those	ENGL215G	Portfolio reflections
	observations.	EDUC260G	

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	3. Identifies ways in which the age and/or related	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	characteristics of students observed in various	EDUC260G	Tutoring Reports
	learning were reflected in instructional planning.	ENGL215G	Portfolio reflections

C. Instructional	The candidate:		
Delivery			
	1. Observes and reflects on effective verbal and	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	non-verbal communication techniques.	EDUC260G,	Tutoring Reports
		ENGL215G	Portfolio reflections
	2. Observes and reflects on effective	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	questioning and discussion techniques.	EDUC260G	Tutoring Reports
		ENGL215G	Portfolio reflections
	3. Identifies ways in which the age and/or	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	related characteristics of students observed in	EDUC260G,	Tutoring Reports
	various learning were reflected in instructional	ENGL215G	Lesson Plans
	planning.		Portfolio reflections
	4. Identifies how learning goals were developed	EDUC115	Tutoring Reports
	to address individual student needs.	EDUC260G	Lesson Plan
			Portfolio reflections
	5. Identifies how various resources, materials,	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	technology and activities engage students in	EDUC260G,	Tutoring Reports
	meaningful learning based on the instructional	ENGL215G	Lesson Plans
	goals.		Portfolio reflections
D. Professional	The candidate:		
Conduct			
	1. Represents integrity, ethical behavior and	EDUC115,	Discussion of ethics and
	professional conduct as stated in the "PA Code	EDUC260G	codes.
	of Professional Practice & Conduct for		Observations
	Educators," as well as local, state and federal		Lesson Plans
	laws and regulations.		Portfolio reflections
	2. Complies with school policies and	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	procedures regarding professional dress,	EDUC260G,	Tutoring Reports
	attendance and punctuality.	ENGL215G	Portfolio Reflections
E. Assessment	The candidate:		
	Identifies and reports on various kinds of	EDUC260G	Artifact for portfolio
	assessments used in instruction.		Lesson Plans
	Assesses their own professional growth	EDUC115,	Reflections in artifact
	through focused self-reflection.	EDUC260G	Reflection Course
F. Knowledge of	The candidate:		
Diverse Learners			
	1. Reports on the unique characteristics and	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	learning needs of diverse learners (age, gender,	EDUC260G,	Tutoring Reports
	culture or ability) in the classroom.	ENGL215G,	Portfolio reflections
	2. Reports on effective practices and	EDUC115,	Observation Reports
	opportunities designed to communicate with	EDUC260G,	Tutoring Reports
	and engage families, caregivers and the	ENGL215G	Portfolio reflections
	broader community.		

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# Appendix C New Lesson Plan Rubric



## EDUC260G Adolescent Development & Cognition

#### Lesson Plan Rubric

	Above Average	Average	Does Not Meet Expectation
Target Grade/ Subject: Identify the target grade.	The unique attributes of the target population are very clear <u>and</u> the appropriateness of the lesson (for this group) is obvious	Description of target population is general <u>and</u> the appropriateness of the lesson (for this group) is clear.	Description of target population is vague and/or, the appropriateness of the lesson (for this group) is not convincing.
Standard(s): Identify and define the targeted PA standard and state the specific learning objective(s)	Standards are identified and defined	Standards are identified only	Standards are missing
Objectives: Specific behavior that the students will know and perform at the end of the lesson.	Behavior, criteria, and conditions are clearly communicated and clearly and concisely written (no unnecessary word).	Two of the three (behavior, criteria, and/or conditions) are apparent.	Behavior, criteria, and/or conditions are unclear or missing. Only one is listed.
Media / Materials: Include all materials (and explanations if necessary) including electronic files that are needed for lesson.	Materials are provided and explained.	All materials are included but how they are to be used is unclear.	All materials are not included and/or are poorly organized.
Procedures: Describe how the lesson will work. Describe the lesson so that another certified teacher could understand it and implement it without your presence.	Description is sufficiently clear to enable a third party to try the lesson out.  Description is clear, detailed, easy to follow and complete	Description lacks detail, has gaps, incomplete	Description is unclear and difficult to follow.
Differentiation: Detail enrichment and developmental lessons are included	Enrichment and developmental lessons are included and appropriate.	Enrichment lessons only included.	Differentiated instruction missing
Assessment: Describe the assessment measure for determining whether the lesson's objective(s) were met.	The behavior assessed exactly matches the behavior described in the objective and description of the lesson.	The behavior assessed closely resembles the behavior described in the objective and description of the lesson.	The behavior assessed is inconsistent with the behavior described in the objective and description of the lesson.
Education Theories: Describe the educational theory(ies) which apply to this lesson.	The theory(ies) is (are) identified and defined.	The theory(ies) is (are) identified only.	The theory(ies) is (are) missing.
All required parts of the lesson plan are included.	All	Most	Some

# **Appendix D** Placement Reports Classes of 2010-2014

Middle Level Education         Aug. '09         Aug. '10         Aug. '11         Aug. '12         Aug. '13           Dec. '09         Dec. '10         Dec. '11         Dec. '12         Dec. '13           May '10         May '11         May '12         May '13         May '14           # of Graduates         0         3         9         6         8           employed graduates job hunting continuing ed. of ther         0         0         0         0         0         0           continuing ed. of ther         0         2         8         5         6         6           other         0         0         1         1         2         2         1         1         2         1         1         2         1         1         1         2         1         1         1         2         1         1         2         1         1         1         1         1         1         1         2         1						
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# **Appendix E** Financial Data

#### NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC AUDIT FINANCIAL DATA FY2015

#### Middle Level Education

Program	Income
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	Tuition	Local	Operating	Stipend	Total	Income/
FY	Income	Reimb.	Reimb.	Reimb.	Income	FTE
2011	236,720	40,375	70,889	46,571	\$394,555	\$ 5,922
2012	144,364	24,267	43,030	28,454	240,115	6,193
2013	134,264	21,888	50,776		206,928	6,059
2014	97,406	15,694	27,626	17,963	158,689	6,997
2015	86,919	14,108	24,433		125,460	6,457

#### Program Costs

FY	Direct Costs	Indirect Costs	Total Costs	Income Per FTEs	Cost/ FTE	Rank	Inst. Avg. Cost/FTE
2011	\$196,153	\$152,235	\$348,388	5,922	\$5,229	31 of 74	4,906
2012	114,848	92,053	206,901	6,193	5,337	47 of 127	5,182
2013	101,784	85,005	186,789	6,059	5,470	58 of 120	5,430
2014	74,686	60,719	135,405	6,997	5,971	47 of 122	5,730
2015	68,658	57,365	126,023	6,457	6,485	41 of 119	6,144