# LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

#### **Ohio Educator License**

To be eligible for an Ohio Educator License, students must complete an educator preparation program and fulfill all requirements of the Ohio Department of Education for the educator license they are seeking.

# Field Experience: Practicum and Internship

Candidates for an initial Ohio Educator License must complete field experiences (i.e. practicum and internship) in the subject matter and grade band associated with the educator license or endorsement they are seeking. The Office of Field Experiences makes all school placements in keeping with the best learning situation for the individual student.

Students must be eligible for field experiences in PK-12 schools as outlined by the program and the State of Ohio. Students are required to obtain Ohio Department of Education & Workforce required permits prior to beginning field experiences and are responsible for all associated expenses.

## **Licensure Assessments**

All students completing a teacher licensure preparation program at The University of Toledo are required to complete a series of licensure assessments. These exams have been approved by the Ohio Department of Education and CAEP. The required tests are listed below:

#### **Ohio Assessments for Educators (OAE)**

The State of Ohio has adopted a series of licensure assessments that all teacher education students must satisfactorily complete in order to be recommended for licensure. Based on the licensure type, OAE tests are required for content knowledge, pedagogical knowledge, and foundations of reading. Students are required to register for these assessments and to pay all assessments fees. Information about assessments, testing dates and location, preparation, and passing scores may be found online (https://www.oh.nesinc.com/)and in the Office of Student Services.

#### **World Languages Assessment**

The State of Ohio requires that teacher education students in world languages must satisfactorily complete the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) proficiency tests for spoken and written language provided by Language Testing International (https://www.languagetesting.com/testing-for-teacher-certification/) (LTI). Students are required to register for these assessments and to pay all assessments fees. Information about assessments, testing dates and location, preparation, and passing scores may be found online (https://www.languagetesting.com/)and in the Office of Student Services.

#### edTPA

Teacher education students must submit to edTPA and pay all assessments fees. This assessment is submitted during the internship semester. Information about the assessment, passing scores, and options for retaking the edTPA may be found online (https://www.edtpa.com/) (https://www.oh.nesinc.com/)and in the Office of Student Services.

#### **Performance Assessments**

Performance assessments will be used throughout the program to evaluate students' performance and to provide information on the quality of the program.

## **Recommendation for Licensure**

Licensure to teach in the fields selected is made only upon the recommendation of the Dean of the Judith Herb College of Education. The dean or dean's designee will recommend licensure to the Ohio State Department of Education only in the teaching fields in which the student meets all requirements as defined in this catalog.

