Indiana University Bloomington School of Education

Proposal to Change the Admission Criteria for Graduate Initial Teacher Certification Programs

The admissions criteria for all graduate initial teacher certification programs will be:

- Baccalaureate degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution in the subject area that the individual intends to teach with a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale; or
- Graduate degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution in the subject area or related field in which the person wants to teach; or
- Both a baccalaureate degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution in the subject area that the individual intends to teach with a grade point average of at least 2.50 on a 4.0 point scale, and five (5) years of professional experience related to the subject area of the degree; and
- Passing state approved content area examination(s) in the subject area.

Background

The Committee on Teacher Education discussed the admissions criteria for the initial graduate teacher certification programs. There are criteria mandated by the state of Indiana for secondary transition to teaching programs that the Committee reviewed and from which members made the recommendation cited above for all graduate initial teacher certification programs.

Approved by the Committee on Teacher Education, unanimously
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