

ITEM: SOUTHERN OREGON UNIVERSITY (SOU): STATE RECOGNITION OF PROGRAMS

ACTION: **ACTION ITEM**

RECOMMENDATIONS: The Executive Director recommends adoption of the following resolutions for Southern Oregon University:

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission commends Southern Oregon University for its Elementary Multiple Subjects program's Admission and Retention process designed to support undergraduate candidates;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Commission commends Southern Oregon University for the flexibility and support of working professionals in the Principal and Professional Administrator programs;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Commission commends Southern Oregon University for its SPED program that provides depth and breadth in preparing special education teachers and courses that are offered via Zoom for students who are not in Ashland;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Southern Oregon University respond in its annual reports on the Program Review corrective actions taken on the stated Areas for Improvements until the AFIs are removed by action of the Commission;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that, upon a favorable review of the program review team reports and Executive Director's Summary Report, the Commission grant "Recognition with Conditions" for the following Southern Oregon University programs:

Preliminary Teaching License: Elementary – Multiple Subjects Program  
Undergraduate level, pre-service candidates

*SOU program name: Undergraduate Multiple Subjects Program*

Preliminary Teaching License: Elementary – Multiple Subjects Program  
Graduate level, pre-service candidates

*SOU program name: MAT Multiple Subjects Program*

Preliminary Teaching License: Single-Subject (secondary) Area Endorsements Program, including the following areas:

Advanced math (includes Foundational Math), Biology, Business: Generalist, Chemistry, ELA (includes Foundational ELA), Health, Integrated Science (includes Foundational Science), Physics, Social Studies (includes Foundational SS), World Languages: Chinese, French, and Spanish)

Graduate level, pre-service candidates

*SOU program name: MAT Single-Subjects Program*

ESOL Endorsement Program  
Undergraduate\* Graduate, and Post-Graduate level, in-service candidates

*SOU program name: ESOL Added Endorsement Program*

\* As an added-endorsement program, the culminating Practicum and Portfolio cannot be completed, nor the institutional recommendation submitted, until after the initial licensure program is completed and the preliminary teaching license granted.

Special Education: Generalist Program

Graduate and Post-graduate levels, pre-service and in-service candidates

*SOU program name: Special Education Program*

Principal License Program

Graduate and Post-graduate levels, in-service candidates

*SOU program name: Preliminary Administrator (Principal) License Program*

Professional Administrator License Program

Post-graduate level, in-service candidates

*SOU program name: Professional Admin. License Program*

Elementary – Multiple Subjects, Art, Drama, Music, and PE endorsement programs

Graduate and Post-graduate levels, in-service candidates

*SOU program name: Added Subject Area Endorsements Prog.*

**INFORMATION:**

OAR 584-400-0070, *State Recognition: Continuing Programs (Program Review Process)*, provides guidelines for the state's program review process, otherwise known as State Recognition of Programs. A program is a planned sequence of courses and experiences for the purpose of preparing educators to work in a P-12 setting.

Educator Preparation Providers (EPPs) are required to submit program reports for review as part of the accreditation process. EPPs may either submit reports to a national process (SPA review) or to the state program review process. They may also choose to use both review processes. For programs submitted to the SPA review process, the state program review is waived. SOU only used the state review process and did not have any SPA reviews.

**Attachments:**

- 5.7a: SOU Executive Director Summary Report
- 5.7b: SOU Submitted Program Reports (secure server)
- 5.7c: SOU addendum (secure server)
- 5.7d: SOU Institutional Rejoinder (secure server)