



SHEPHERD UNIVERSITY

ATTN: Shepherd University School of Education, CBRE, EPPAC/EPPC Members, Teacher Candidates/Residents
RE: edTPA Requirements

To Whom It May Concern:

PLEASE NOTE:

- ***PASSING the edTPA has been in place as both a state and program requirement for graduation and a recommendation for certification since the Fall 2018-2019 school year.*** Only candidates successfully completing the Shepherd University program of study, including successfully passing the edTPA, will be recommended for graduation and certification with the state.
- ***Initial edTPA submissions should be completed and submitted during the first seven (7) weeks of the student teaching placement and/or Residency II semester.*** Any delays including score reporting beyond the student teaching/Residency II semester end will cause an inability to graduate on time. Completing and passing the edTPA is required before recommendations for graduation and certification can be made. If the edTPA is not passed by the end of the ST/Residency II semester, graduation and certification will be delayed by at least one semester.
- ***Beginning Fall 2024 and beyond, the EPP at Shepherd University will align their minimum cut score requirements with those as set by the WVDE Licensure Testing Directory.*** Current requirements updated here: [WVDE Licensure Testing Directory](#)
- **Passing Cut Scores for the edTPA as of Fall 2024 are as follows:**

Elementary Education Specialization [18 Rubrics]	World Languages Specialization [13 Rubrics]	All Other Specialization Areas [15 Rubrics]
Cut Score: 43/90**	Cut Score: 31/65**	Cut Score: 36/75**

**For Applicants Under Restricted Waiver and/or Seeking Certificate Conversion, minimum cut score requirements are higher; see current [WVDE Licensure Testing Directory](#)

- ***From the start, be sure to submit your best work and complete work.*** Incomplete or unscored edTPA submissions must be resubmitted by the candidate **at their expense**. Shepherd University and/or the WVDE will not cover the cost of resubmissions.
- ***Final Note: Passing scores received after grades are due to the Registrar and/or beyond the end of the semester will delay a candidate's graduation.*** Candidates who have not successfully completed the edTPA by the end of the ST/Residency II semester will receive an incomplete grade for EDUC 461 (Clinical Experience Seminar) until passing scores are received. These candidates may also be required to register for an EDUC 390 course during a subsequent semester to provide an additional field experience for the candidate to successfully complete / pass the edTPA and resolve the Incomplete for EDUC 461.

For questions regarding these policies or procedures, please contact either of the following individuals within the School of Education at Shepherd University.

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