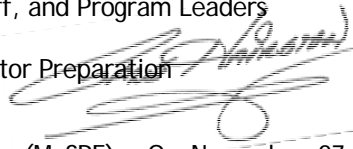


To: Educator Preparation Students, Faculty/Staff, and Program Leaders  
 Topic: Important Changes in Educator Preparation  
 From: Gale "Hap" Hairston, Ed.D. - Director, Educator Preparation  
 Date: Wednesday - August 21, 2013



**Missouri Standards for the Preparation of Educators (MoSPE):** On November 27, 2012, the Missouri State Board of Education approved the Missouri Standards for the Preparation of Educators (MoSPE). This is a comprehensive approach to educator preparation that includes several significant changes for students and educator preparation programs. This memo focuses on two of those changes.

**Grade Point Average at Program Completion:** The new grade point average requirements will go into effect for candidates who are exiting their educator preparation programs (traditional or non-traditional) in Spring 2017. The new grade point average requirements are 2.75 cumulative, 3.00 in the content area, and 3.00 in professional education coursework. For example -

- The freshmen class of Fall 2013 completing a traditional (4 year program) will be held to the new grade point average requirements upon program completion beginning Spring 2017.
- The candidates completing non-traditional (2 year programs) will be held to the new grade point average requirements upon program completion beginning Spring of 2017.
- The focus regarding the change in grade point average is upon the exit or completion date of the candidates program. The new certification requirements for grade point averages will be in effect for all program completers beginning Spring 2017.

**Upcoming Change in the Required *CollegeBASE* - General Education Assessment:** We are changing the assessment required for general education knowledge and skills. Currently, the *CollegeBASE* assessment is used for this purpose. We will be changing to a different general education assessment on September 1, 2013. Key Points -

- *CollegeBASE* will not be administered as an entry assessment for Missouri teacher preparation programs after December 31, 2013.
- Students who have not successfully passed all subtests on December 31, 2013, will be required to take the new general education assessment for admittance into an educator preparation program.

The following chart outlines the implementation plan for exiting the *CollegeBASE* and transitioning to the new assessment.

Current <i>CollegeBASE</i> General Education Assessment		
Last Opportunities to Pass Remaining <i>CollegeBASE</i> Subtests Only		Remaining Test Windows in 2013
		September 14-21
		November 18-23
Missouri General Education Assessment		
August-September 2013	Registration Opens	September 2013
Finalize Development of Test & Supporting Materials	September 17, 2013 <a href="http://www.Mo.nesinc.com">www.Mo.nesinc.com</a>	First Administration on September 23, 2013 General Education Skills Assessment

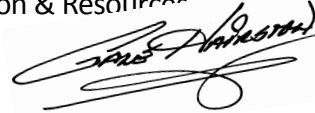
If you have any questions and/or need any additional information about these two changes, please email the Office of Educator Preparation at [EQPrep@dese.mo.gov](mailto:EQPrep@dese.mo.gov).

Best wishes for the Fall Semester of 2013!

Topic: Missouri Educator Gateway Assessments – Information & Resources

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This document has been prepared to be a source of information and to identify resources related to the development and implementation of the Missouri Educator Gateway Assessments (MEGA). We will continue to update periodically. Please let us know if there is information that you believe should be included.

MEGA – Evaluation Systems group of Pearson

- Missouri Educator Profile (MEP)
  - Registration Opens on Tuesday, September 3, 2013
  - First Test Administration on Tuesday, September 3, 2013
  - To Register, go to: <http://www.mo.nesinc.com>
  - Technical Manual & Support Materials for Work Place Inventory II – This document will be placed on the website listed above.
- Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA)
  - Registration Opens on Tuesday, September 17, 2013
  - First Test Administration on Monday, September 23, 2013
  - To Register and/or Locate Study Guides, go to: <http://www.mo.nesinc.com>

Paraprofessional and Missouri General Education Assessments Approved Test Sites as of August 28, 2013	
Central Methodist University	St. Charles Community College
College of the Ozarks	St. Louis Community College @ Florissant Valley and Meramec
Columbia College	
Crowder College	Saint Louis University
Drury University @ Springfield & St. Robert	Southeast Missouri State University
Hannibal-LaGrange University	State Fair Community College
Missouri Baptist University	Truman State University
Missouri University of Science & Technology	Three Rivers Community College
Missouri Southern State University	University of Central Missouri
Missouri State University	University of Missouri Columbia
Missouri Western State University	University of Missouri Kansas City
Northwest Missouri State University	University of Missouri St. Louis
Ozarks Technical College	Webster University
Park University	Westminster College