

# Teacher Preparation News

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*If you have news that would be useful to teacher candidates, email [edprep@semo.edu](mailto:edprep@semo.edu) by 12:00 noon on the **Friday** prior to the publication date to have it included in the next newsletter. **All submissions should be 800 characters or less.** \*\*\*Some newsletter hyperlinks are not compatible with iPad\*\*\* Follow this link for past newsletters <http://semo.edu/education-health/edu-prep/news.html>.*

## **EDvolution Center Fall Semester 3D Print Request Deadline**

If you have a request for a 3D print that is required for the Fall 19 semester, it **MUST** be requested before November 22 or it **WILL NOT** be able to be printed before the end of the Fall semester on December 13! Please note that The EDvolution Center will be open on November 26 & 27 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and closed for lunch from 1 p.m.- 2 p.m. The EDvolution Center will be closed November 27 -December 1.

## **No Newsletter Next Week During Fall Break**

The Teacher Preparation News will not run on November 26 during Fall Break. The next edition following fall break will be published on Tuesday, December 3. The deadline for submission is by 12 noon on Monday, December 2.

## **MCTM Fall Conference Special Rate for Preservice Teachers – Today is the Last Day to Register**

You are invited to attend a special Missouri Council of Teachers of Math Fall Conference. Come get practical strategies and activities for your future classrooms and network with other preservice teachers. **If you register by November 19 the cost is just \$25**, which includes meals and all sessions. The MCTM Fall Conference will be held on Friday and Saturday, December 6-7 at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia, MO. Register at [www.moctm.org](http://www.moctm.org).

## **Applications Now Accepted for Learning Assistants and Supplemental Instruction Leaders**

Learning Assistance Programs is accepting applications for Learning Assistants and Supplemental Instruction (SI) Leaders. Learning Assistants (tutors), assist students in individual and small group sessions. SI Leaders are assigned to historically difficult courses and facilitate weekly sessions that focus on increasing understanding of course material. Requirements for our positions include: undergraduate status, enrollment in at least 6 credit hours, "A" or "B" in the course they wish to serve, and at least a 3.0 GPA. While our employees are required to maintain a 3.0 GPA, we will accept applicants with a minimum of a 2.75 GPA. Applicants below a 3.0 GPA will have one academic year to increase their GPA to 3.0. Interested applicants in a Learning Assistant position should complete the [Learning Assistant Application Survey](#), and those interested in the SI Leader positions should complete the [Supplemental Instruction Leader Application Survey](#).

## Wednesday, November 20: SMSTA Mock Interview

The November meeting will be a Mock Interview hosted by SMSTA (Student Missouri State Teachers Association) with ASCD (Teachers of Tomorrow) and Kappa Delta Pi in Scully 312 at 6 p.m.

## Spring 2020 Student Teaching

If you have registered to student teach in the spring of 2020, your placement will be announced in Chalk & Wire on one of the three following days:

- Friday, November 8
- Tuesday, November 26
- Friday, December 13

Any student teaching placement that has been confirmed by each of those dates will be documented in Chalk & Wire. If you do not see your placement in Chalk & Wire, then the Office of Field Experiences does not have confirmation from a school district. All placements will be announced in this way, and NO placements will be announced, either verbally or in writing, by Field Office personnel. Do not contact the Office to ask about the status of your placement. ~Dr. Daryl Fridley, Associate Dean for Educator Preparation.

## Chalk & Wire Records

Candidates: Your major assessment results are documented in Chalk & Wire. This includes—among other items--disposition evaluations, some field evaluations, key program assessment, and MoCA scores. These results are used to evaluate your progress in your programs and, sometimes, to determine eligibility for a future stage—like student teaching. Be sure to check these records from time to time to track your progress and to ensure that they match with your personal records. In particular, please check your MoCA scores to ensure that they were uploaded to Chalk & Wire correctly.

## New for Spring 2020 Registration

Students that are seeking certification in **Middle, Secondary, or K-12 programs** will see a change in how they register for classes this semester. As part of a pilot program, the Department of Leadership, Middle, and Secondary Education is going to paperless registration. That means that students will no longer have to seek out several signatures to turn in for registration. They should be able to register themselves for the courses that they need through the on-line portal. **Students will need to be fully accepted into the Teacher Preparation Program in order to register for Education courses.** Students provisionally accepted, or who must take EX390, will need to email [show@semo.edu](mailto:show@semo.edu) what sections they want to register for after their priority registration date. **Students going into student teaching in the Spring will not need to register at all.** We have already registered student teachers for

their courses. If you have any problems with the new registration process, you can contact Sam How at (573) 651-2137 or email him at [show@semo.edu](mailto:show@semo.edu).

## **Certification Application Instructions for Candidates Graduating in December 2019**

Click on the following link for instructions for completing your Initial Professional Application for educator (teacher, school counselor, school/district leadership) licensure:

<https://semo.edu/education-health/edu-prep/licensure.html>. Please submit your application to the DESE website prior to the end of the fall semester. If you are completing a program, it is recommended that you apply for licensure, even if you don't plan to teach right away. This will enable you to avoid possible changes to DESE rules that may lead to additional requirements. If you have any questions, please email [aelincoln@semo.edu](mailto:aelincoln@semo.edu).

## **SMSTA Canned Food Drive**

SMSTA's (Student Missouri State Teacher's Association) canned food drive has begun! Donation bins are located in the EDvolution Center. SMSTA Members, be sure to put your name with 5 cans for a point. The drive will end November 21st.

## **Participate in a Research Study on the Role of Peers**

Would you be willing to share about the ways that peers influence your pre-service teaching experiences? Dr. Sarah Lillo, with the support of fellow student Kate McCracken, is conducting a related study and would love for you to participate! If you are in any of our teacher preparation programs and are NOT student teaching this year, you qualify for participation! Participation will involve one short interview (30-45 min.) a quarter for the rest of the year and monthly 5-minute questionnaires. All participation is voluntary. If you are interested, please email [slillo@semo.edu](mailto:slillo@semo.edu).

## **Teach English in Vietnam!**

Aurora Group is seeking teachers to teach English in Ho Chi Minh City. The cost of living is low in Vietnam and Ho Chi Minh is a developing city with lots of social life opportunities. If interested, please contact Linh Tran at [auroragroup.hr@gmail.com](mailto:auroragroup.hr@gmail.com) or to Judith Crenshaw at [crenshawj@capetigers.com](mailto:crenshawj@capetigers.com).

## **Scholarship Opportunities**

Please view the following link <https://semo.edu/education-health/scholarships.html> for a list of scholarship opportunities.

## **Employment Opportunities**

When the Office of Educator Preparation receives notice of job openings, those are listed here: <http://semo.edu/education-health/jobs/index.html>. New positions are now posted at [REDHAWKjobs.com](http://REDHAWKjobs.com).

## **Teacher Candidate Presentations, Recitals, Exhibitions, etc.**

If you know of an upcoming event involving one or more teacher candidates (e.g. academic presentation, recital, art exhibition, etc.), please send notice of the event to [edprep@semo.edu](mailto:edprep@semo.edu). We'd like to publicize these events so that members of the educator preparation program community can attend.