

APPLICATION TO THE METHODS PHASE
TEACHER EDUCATION CURRICULA
School of Education

Dear Student,

Congratulations on your application to the next phase of the Teacher Education Program at Northern Michigan University. We are excited to see you build upon what you have learned in the Foundations Phase of the program.

Please understand that the application you are completing will be reviewed by staff and faculty in your program. The audience for this document expects you will treat this application as a professional document as you are applying to advance into the Methods Phase of the program.

This document is a means for you to communicate your learning, goals, and areas for improvement in a professional and organized manner. It also affords you the opportunity to demonstrate your clarity of writing and grammar, all important skills to master for a professional educator.

Upon completion of your application we encourage you to do the following:

- Have the application reviewed by a peer or by a member of the NMU Writing Center
- Give a copy to the faculty member you wish to have a recommendation from so they may review the document prior to assigning their support
- Turn the original document into the School of Education office to Terri Lorens

Please remember that you must be accepted to the methods phase of the program prior to registering for any of the methods courses in the program.

We look forward to reading your application and to continue to help you achieve your goal to become a professional educator.

Sincerely,

The Northern Michigan University Teacher Education Faculty and Staff

Please note: We may have more student teachers than opportunities for local-area student teaching placements. Therefore, student teaching placements in Marquette County cannot be guaranteed.

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND CONSENT FORM

Please print the following:

NAME: _____ SEX _____ NMU IN _____

ADDRESS: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

Teacher Selection and Retention Standards at Northern Michigan University require students to maintain minimum degrees of acceptable social behavior (see NMU Bulletin). In addition, the *Administrative Rules Governing the Certification of Michigan Teachers* "...allows for a certificate to be denied for fraud, material misrepresentation, or concealment in the application for a certificate...or conviction as an adult of an act of criminal conduct contributing to the delinquency of a child or a felony involving moral turpitude."

DEFINITION OF MORAL TURPITUDE:

Moral turpitude as a ground for academic dismissal from the Teacher Education means any intentional act prohibited by statute which has the effect of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, which constitutes child abuse or which otherwise involves a minor, which constitutes or involves a form of sexual conduct described or defined by statute, which involves trafficking drugs or controlled substances, which involves pornographic materials, which involves wrongful entry, larceny, embezzlement, or receiving stolen property, which involves perjury, bribery, graft, forgery, counterfeiting, or smuggling, or which involves fraud, deceit or intentional dishonesty for purposes of personal gain.

To ensure that the standards and requirements referred to above are adhered to, you are requested to provide the following information.

Have you ever received disciplinary action greater than warning probation through the University judicial system or been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor offense (excluding misdemeanor traffic offenses), including specifically, but not by way of limitation, any act of moral turpitude as defined in the Teacher Selection and Retention Standards as defined above? Are you currently being prosecuted or charged for alleged violation(s) of any regulations or laws? Please check the blank which applies and **sign the following page whether your answer is yes or no.**

_____ No _____ Yes **If yes, name the infraction:**

Agency which is initiating or initiated the action: _____

Action taken or penalty given: _____

Name and Address of the Court in which case was adjudicated: _____

Conviction Date: _____ Case Number: _____

Name of Probation Officer: _____ Phone Number: () _____

Explain your involvement in the incident(s) below attaching additional pages if necessary. If you have not already submitted a copy of the Court's decision, please attach. Your application will not be processed without this documentation.

I hereby authorize the release of all records and information pertaining to any and all convictions for criminal offenses, ordinance violations or penalties for violation of University Regulations on file in the Office of the Dean of Students of the University, at the Michigan State Police Central Records Division, the Public Safety Department of the University, or any other criminal justice agency concerning myself, and I hereby consent to the use and communication among faculty and administration of the Teacher Education Program of records, information and evaluation material pertaining to any or all of the Teacher Selection and Retention Standards established by the Teacher Education Unit. I understand the falsification of my response to this document may lead to the denial of admission to, or dismissal from, the Teacher Education Program at Northern Michigan University. In addition, I understand that I am responsible for notifying the Director, Teacher Education Student Services, of any convictions between now and the completion of my program.

Signature

Date

