



Sponsored Student Teaching

Sponsored Student Teaching presents an exceptional clinical learning opportunity, wherein the Sponsored Student Teacher takes on primary instructional duties without formally being designated as the teacher of record for the school district. In this particular arrangement, the cooperating teacher is strategically located in a nearby classroom within the same educational institution. In instances where the cooperating teacher lacks a matching content background, the designated University Supervisor, possessing expertise in the relevant content area, may offer supplementary support as required.

Requirements for Eligibility

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| Academic Requirements | Cumulative or last 60 hours of coursework 3.0 GPA; Major 3.0 GPA |
| Coursework | All required coursework completed proficiently |
| Dispositional | No discipline or documented dispositional concerns |
| Approval | Department approval is required |

Responsibilities and Accountabilities

Sponsored Student Teaching placements are initiated by the district and conducted in partnership with the FHSU Office of Field Experiences. Sponsored Student Teachers are advised to pursue a Substitute Teaching license. The compensation for Sponsored Student Teachers is subject to negotiation and determined by the respective school district.

School districts might be requested to allocate extra professional days for attending mandatory meetings and/or completing the portfolio assessment. Additional assistance may be sought to bolster and guarantee the success of the Teacher Candidate.

Sponsored Student Teaching Policy

Sponsored Student Teaching is a placement where the cooperating teacher is not directly supervising the student in the same classroom and instead is located in a nearby classroom within the same building. The Sponsored Student Teacher may provide the lead instruction for the class but is NOT the teacher of record for the school district.

Requirements for Sponsored Student Teaching placement include the following in addition to the regular student teaching requirements:

1. A cumulative or last 60 hours grade point average of at least 3.00.
2. A major grade point average of at least 3.00.
3. All professional content and pedagogical coursework must be successfully completed prior to the student teaching semester.
4. No dispositional concerns or educator's referral framework incidents recorded.
5. Complete the Sponsored Student Teaching application.
6. Approval for Sponsored Student Teaching by the department in the student's area(s) of teaching.

Student teacher candidates must be approved for Sponsored Student Teaching prior to making arrangements with a school district. If candidates are not approved for a Sponsored Student Teaching placement, the candidate may appeal to the Chair of Teacher of Education. **Candidates who engage in a practice similar to Sponsored Student Teaching without approval of the Field Experience Office and the department in the candidate's area of teaching may receive an incomplete or failing grade for the student teaching course hours.**