

Ouachita Baptist University Graduation Rates

Licensure Programs- Graduation Rates	Students Entering Gate 1 – Candidates	Students Entering Gate 4 - Completers	Graduation %
2016-2017	77	31	100%
2017-2018	76	24	100%
2018-2019	82	7 (Spring 29 pending)	100%

Note:

The EPP has set admission requirements for candidates involving four gates: Gate 1 - Admission to Teacher Education, Gate 2 - Admission to the Professional Semester, Gate 3 - Completion of the Professional Semester, and Gate 4 - Completion of the Program and Licensure Requirements.

For Gate 1, all candidates must successfully complete the Praxis CORE test or alternatively achieve approved scores on ACT or SAT tests. Also for Gate 1, candidates must have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 overall for admission and must have no grade lower than a "C" in the professional education courses. Candidates must receive a positive recommendation from their faculty advisor and two other faculty members from inside or outside the EPP regarding their professional dispositions. Candidates complete an application form requesting information on past experiences working with children and youth as well as a self-assessment form regarding their dispositions. Candidates submit an essay of "Why I Want to Be a Teacher." The data is presented to the Office of Student Services and the Teacher Education Council (TEC) in order to address any concerns regarding academic or personal issues. The TEC approves, disapproves, or postpones admission of candidates. A candidate who is denied admission may apply again after completing at least one additional semester and removing the deficiencies stated by the TEC.

For Gate 4, candidates must complete licensure forms submitted to the OBU Licensure Officer, complete all coursework for graduation, have a final graduation check with the appropriate subject area School Dean and the Director of Teacher Education, and a final graduation check in the Office of the Registrar. All candidates completing a BA (teaching emphasis) or BME (Music) degree qualify for a teaching license in the State of Arkansas. A standard license is issued for five years.