

AAQEP Annual Report for 2024

Provider/Program Name:	Manhattan University Teacher Education Programs
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PART I: Publicly Available Program Performance and Candidate Achievement Data

1. Overview and Context

This overview describes the mission and context of the educator preparation provider and the programs included in its AAQEP review.

In the tradition of Saint John Baptist de La Salle, the "Patron of all Teachers," the University prepares dedicated professionals for careers in teaching and leadership. A strong liberal arts and sciences education emphasizes effective communication, critical thinking, scientific literacy, and multicultural awareness. Coursework and practical experiences in Education provide those skills necessary for work in a school setting. The University seeks to develop broadly educated teachers and leaders who possess the competencies necessary for certification in their area of study or for graduate study.

The Teacher Preparation Programs at Manhattan University simultaneously meet the requirement for excellence in the Liberal Arts and Sciences, academic concentrations, and pedagogy; as well as standards established by New York State for

teacher certification. The programs are designed to be consistent with the Lasallian tradition of excellence in teaching, respect for individual dignity, and commitment to social justice principles, on which the college was founded.

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2. Enrollment and Completion Data

Table 1 shows current enrollment and recent completion data for each program included in the AAQEP review.

Table 1. Program Specification: Enrollment and Completers for Academic Year 2023-2024

Degree or Certificate granted by the institution or organization	State Certificate, License, Endorsement, or Other Credential	Number of Candidates enrolled in most recently completed academic year (7/23- 6/24)	Number of Completers in most recently completed academic year (7/23-6/24)
Pi	rograms that lead to initial teaching credent	ials	
BA/BS Adolescent Education (ADED, ASDG, SPSE)	Initial Certification (Grades 7-12)	53	14
BA/BS Childhood Education (CHED, CHSP, SPCE)	Initial Certification (Grades 1-6)	85	18
BS Physical Education (PHED)	Initial Certification in Physical Education (Grades K-12)	44	11
Т	otal for programs that lead to initial credentials	182	43
Programs that lead to	ady-licensed educators		
MS Education Students with Disabilities (CESP, CHSP, ASDG, SPED)	Professional Certification in Students with Disabilities	23	19

Total for program	23	19		
Programs that lead to cre	r to no specific creden	tial		
	NA	NA		
TOTA				
Unduplicated to	Unduplicated total of all program candidates and completers			

Added or Discontinued Programs

Any programs within the AAQEP review that have been added or discontinued within the past year are listed below. (This list is required only from providers with accredited programs.)

Paused the following programs (not accepting new students temporarily) – CESP, SPED, SPAD, & SPBG.

3. Program Performance Indicators

The program performance information in Table 2 applies to the academic year indicated in Table 1.

Table 2. Program Performance Indicators

A. **Total enrollment** in the educator preparation programs shown in Table 1. This figure is an unduplicated count, i.e., individuals earning more than one credential may be counted in more than one line above but only once here.

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B. **Total number of unique completers** (across all programs) included in Table 1. This figure is an unduplicated count, i.e., individuals who earned more than one credential may be counted in more than one line above but only once here.

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C. Number of recommendations for certificate, license, or endorsement included in Table 1.

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D. **Cohort completion rates** for candidates who completed the various programs within their respective program's expected timeframe **and** in 1.5 times the expected timeframe.

100%

E. **Summary of state license examination results**, including teacher performance assessments, and specification of any examinations on which the pass rate (cumulative at time of reporting) was below 80%.

Test Number	Test Name	Total Attempts	Total Passed	Pass Rate
201	EAS - Educating All Students	50	49	98.0%
161	CST Chemistry	0	0	
003	CST English	6	6	100.0%
004	CST Math*	3	1	33.3%
221	CST Multi-Subject Childhood 1-6 Part 1	23	22	95.6%
222	CST Multi-Subject Childhood 1-6 Part 2	29	26	89.6%
245	CST Multi-Subject Childhood 1-6 Part 3	29	27	93.1%
241	CST Multi-Subject Secondary 7-12 Part 1	4	4	100.0%
244	CST Multi-Subject Secondary 7-12 Part 2	3	3	100.0%
076	CST Physical Education	12	12	100.0%
115	CST Social Studies	5	5	100.0%
129	CST Spanish	1	1	100.0%
060	CST Students with Disabilities**	25	23	92.0%

F. Narrative explanation of evidence available from program completers, with a characterization of findings.

Evidence available from program completers include the academic transcript that demonstrates completion of all credit

^{*}One student who failed was a Manhattan University student but not in the Teacher Preparation Program. The Education Department did not recommend the non-education student take the exam.

^{**} One of the students who did not pass this test graduated in 2020 and was retaking the exam.

requirements for the state approved teacher education programs. Thus, a total of 62 students completed a teacher education program and were recommended for teacher certification.

The Benchworks by Elentra (formerly Skyfactor) Alumni survey was distributed to all graduates from 2019 to 2024. Due to cost the survey will be distributed every other year moving forward. Key insights from the survey include that the program appears to excel in academic rigor and providing challenging, motivating experiences for the students. On a 7-point Likert scale ranging from 1 = Not at all to 7 = Extremely, with intermediate values (2-6) representing increasingly positive or intense responses, 74.4% of respondents gave highly positive ratings of 6 or 7 for overall program satisfaction (M=6.03, *n* = 39). Category-Level and Gap Analysis identified multiple areas in need of improvement by comparing how important the respondents deem specific skills and how well they believe the program prepared them in the skills. The areas of Assessment and Lesson Planning were well aligned between importance and preparation. Classroom Management stood out as a critical area in need of improvement as there was a high consensus on importance and lower satisfaction with preparation. The area of Professional Relationships, which includes building relationships with families/guardians of students, stood out as a critical area in need of improvement.

The Competency Analysis results are summarized in the table below.

Competency Analysis Results					
Competency	Gap	Importance Mean (% High, N)	Preparation Mean (% High, N)		
Classroom Management	+0.968	6.76 (94.2%, n=39)	5.79 (70.5%, n=39)		
Professional Relationships	+0.694	6.40 (87.2%, n=39)	5.71 (62.6%, n=38)		
Diversity	+0.384	6.64 (94.9%, n=39)	6.26 (79.9%, n=39)		
Instruction	+0.283	6.26 (80.5%, n=39)	5.98 (71.6%, n=39)		
Lesson Planning	+0.133	6.43 (83.1%, n=39)	6.29 (83.1%, n=39)		
Assessment	+0.090	6.22 (76.1%, n=39)	6.13 (78.7%, n=39)		
Professional Development	-0.088	6.30 (80%, n=39)	6.39 (85.8%, n=37)		
Technology	-0.426	5.45 (54.7%, n=39)	5.88 (69%, n=39)		
Content	-0.525	5.67 (58.7%, n=39)	6.20 (79.5%, n=39)		
Averages	0.168	6.24	6.07		
Note: High scores represent the percentage	Note: High scores represent the percentage of responses rated 6 or 7 on a 7-point scale.				

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G. Narrative explanation of evidence available from employers of program completers, with a characterization of findings.

The Benchworks by Elentra (formerly Skyfactor) Alumni survey was distributed and the plan is to survey employers of program completers during the 2024-2025 academic year. The new Kakos School of Arts and Sciences revamped our Board of Consultors consisting of professionals in the field to give us feedback about our programs, our graduates, and trends in the larger profession and society. The Board of Consultors meets with the Dean and faculty twice a year and we receive feedback but our intent is to formalize this feedback through a survey of employers of program completers.

H. Narrative explanation of how the program investigates **employment rates for program completers**, with a characterization of findings. This section may also indicate rates of completers' ongoing education, e.g., graduate study.

The Office of Institutional Research, Center for Graduate School and Fellowship Advisement, and the Center for Career Development work together each year to administer the Graduate Student Survey (GSS) which is given to graduating students as part of their graduation checklist. Nine months later, the graduates are sent a follow-up survey both electronically as well as by phone regarding their employment or graduate school status. The GSS collects information such as graduate school plans and employment status. Data showed that upon graduation of the May 2023 class within the education majors, 90% either had employment or were accepted in graduate school while 10% were still seeking opportunities. (https://manhattan.edu/about/career-outcomes.php)

4. Candidate Academic Performance Indicators

Tables 3 and 4 report on select measures of candidate/completer performance related to AAQEP Standards 1 and 2, including the program's expectations for successful performance and indicators of the degree to which those expectations are met.

Table 3. Expectations and Performance on Standard 1: Candidate and Completer Performance

To meet their target goal of certification, completers must pass the required state examinations. Manhattan University Teacher Prep faculty have chosen the two required state exams as a measure of knowledge and the Evaluation of Student Teaching as direct observation of student teaching performance.

Provider-Selected Measures	Explanation of Performance Expectation	Level or	Extent of Success	in Meeting	the Exp	ectation	
1. Educating All Students (EAS) ● ADED ● CHED	The performance expectation of the EAS is a minimum score of 520.	Test Numbe	Test Name	Total Attempts	Tot Pas		Pass Rate
● PHED ● CHSP	Candidates in Adolescence Education, Childhood Education, Physical Education, and Special Education take the EAS exam that includes measures of knowledge and competencies aligned with Standard One: Aspect C 1. Diverse student population 2. English language learners 3. Students with disabilities Aspect E 4. Teacher responsibilities Aspect F 5. School-home relationships	201	EAS – Educating All Students	50		49	98%
2. Content Specialty Test (CST) • ADED • CHED • PHED • SPED	The Content Specialty tests examine completer professional knowledge. The Performance Expectation on the Content Specialty Test is 520. The safety net during COVID was 500. Candidates in Adolescence Education, Childhood Education, Physical Education, and Special Education take the CSTs that include measures of competencies aligned with Standard One: Aspect A 6. Professional Knowledge 7. Content Knowledge 8. Pedagogical Knowledge	Test Numb er 201 161 003 004 221	Test Name EAS - Educating All Students CST Chemistry CST English CST Math CST Multi-Subject Childhood 1-6 Part 1	Total Attem pts 50 0 6	Total Passe d 49 0 6	Pass Rate 98.0% 100.0 % 33.3% 95.6%	

	Aspect B 9. Application of Learning Theory	222	CST Multi-Subject Childhood 1-6 Part 2	29	26	89.6%
	Aspect D 10. Use of Data	245	CST Multi-Subject Childhood 1-6 Part 3	29	27	93.1%
		241	CST Multi-Subject Secondary 7-12 Part 1	4	4	100.0 %
		244	CST Multi-Subject Secondary 7-12 Part 2	3	3	100.0 %
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		129	CST Spanish	1	1	100.0 %
		060	CST Students with Disabilities * One student who failed was not in the Teacher Preparation Program; unclear why she took the exam.	25	23*	92.0%
3. Student Teaching Survey	The Physical Education Student Teaching Survey is completed at the end of each placement by the Student Teacher, Cooperating Teacher, and College Supervisor.	Conten	ard 1 Aspect a at, pedagogical, and/or P atial or Degree for Which	•		<u> </u>
	As stated in the QAR, it is our expectation that for the program, the mean scores will meet or surpass a 3.2 or 80% on each of the questions to evidence success with the corresponding aspects of this standard.	Subjec Presen depth of Physic Subjec	from Student Teaching t Matter Question 1 ted content using researe and breadth of subject m al Education (n = 33) t Matter Question 2 ated subject matter know	ch-base atter M=3.45	ed pedago	ogy and demonstrated

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.54

Subject Matter Question 3

Demonstrated knowledge of content and the structure of the discipline

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.54

Standard 1 Aspect b

Learners, learning theory including social, emotional, and academic dimensions, and application of learning theory

Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024

Pedagogy Question 1

Used knowledge of child and/or adolescent development to create appropriate differentiated instruction.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.57

Teaching Skills Question 1

Planned and implemented learning activities based on learners' individual cognitive, language, social, emotional and physical developmental levels.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.51

Standard 1 Aspect 1c

Culturally responsive practice, including intersectionality of race, ethnicity, class, gender identity and expression, sexual identity, and the impact of language acquisition and literacy development on learning

Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024

Caring Question 2

Differentiated instruction based on diverse backgrounds Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.72

Caring Question 3

Created an inclusive and mutually respectful, safe, and supportive learning environment

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.90

Pedagogy Question 2

Use a variety of strategies designed to differentiate instruction

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.57

Pedagogy Question 3

Managed and adapted the learning environment to meet the needs of diverse students

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.48

Standard 1 Aspect 1d

Assessment of/for learning; assessment and data literacy; use of data to inform practice; formative assessment

Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024

Teaching Skills Question 3

Analyzed and utilized formative and summative assessment data to monitor instructional effectiveness and student learning.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.54

Teaching Skills Question 6

Used discussion and questioning techniques to provide timely feedback.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.45

Standard 1 Aspect 1e

Creation and development of positive learning and work environments

Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024

Teaching Skills Question 4

Created an intellectually challenging and stimulating learning environment that resulted in student participation, cooperation, and learning.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.45

Caring Question 3

Created an inclusive, mutually respectful, safe, and supportive learning environment.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.90

Caring Question 5

Fostered student interactions among all students.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.78

Standard 1 Aspect 1f

Dispositions and behaviors required for successful professional practice

Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024

Professionalism Question 1

Was responsible (attendance, punctuality, preparation, and professional dress).

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.87

Professionalism Question 2

Used appropriate language (vocabulary, inflection, and intonation).

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.87

Professionalism Question 3

Followed policies and ethical and legal procedures of the placement.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.96

Professionalism Question 5

Reflected on and acted on constructive feedback from others.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.81

Professionalism Question 6

Expanded knowledge of current research as it applies to curriculum, instruction, and assessment methods.

			Physical Education ($n = 33$) M=3.63
			Note: The Student Teacher Survey uses a 0 to 4 point scale where 0 = Not Evident and 4 = Distinguished. Respondents include the student teacher, cooperating teacher, and college supervisor.
Asses	idate Preservice ssment of Student hing (CPAST)	Although we did not report these data in our Quality Assurance Report, we have data from the CPAST for the undergraduate Childhood and Adolescent preservice teachers. The CPAST was developed and validated through the Valid and Reliable Instruments for Educator Preparation Programs (VARI-EPP) Collaboration (Kaplan et al., 2017). College supervisors are required to complete training on the evaluation protocol and the instrument's use to ensure reliability. Our expectation is that the average consensus score at the end of student teaching is at least a 2 on every item (0 = Does Not Meet Expectations, 1 = Emerging, 2 = Meets Expectations, 3 = Exceeds Expectations).	Standard 1 Aspect a The Pedagogy Domain of the CPAST is made up of 13 items measuring Planning for Instruction and Assessment, Instructional Delivery, Assessment, and Analysis of Teaching. The Pedagogy domain means from midterm and end of placement CPAST 3-way evaluation meetings are reported in this table along with state and national comparisons. The midterm domain mean was 1.92 and the final domain mean was 2.35. Standard 1 Aspect b Item M, "Connections to Research and Theory" captures part of Aspect 2b. The final average across both terms was 2.17. Means, comparison scores, and score distributions for Item M can be viewed here in the Assessment and Analysis of Teaching table and chart. Standard 1 Aspect c Item C, "Assessment of Learning" which requires candidates to plan assessments that "are culturally relevant and draw from learners' funds of knowledge" captures part of Aspect 1c. The final average across both terms was 2.10. Item D, "Differentiated Methods" requires candidates to "make culturally relevant connections." The final average across both terms was 2.17. Means, comparison scores, and score distributions for Items C and D can be viewed here in the Planning for Instruction and Assessment table and chart. Standard 1 Aspect d Item J, "Data-Guided Instruction," Item K, "Feedback to Learners," and Item L, "Assessment Techniques" capture Aspect 1d. The end of term average for Item J across both terms was 1.97. Though this did not reach 2, the midterm average had been 1.57 showing growth. The end of term average for Item K was 2.37 and for Item L was 2.20. Means,

comparison scores, and score distributions for these Items can be viewed <u>here in the Assessment and Analysis of Teaching table and chart.</u>

Standard 1 Aspect e

Item I, "Safe & Respectful Learning Environment" captures Aspect 1e. The average across both terms was 2.83. Means, comparison scores, and score distributions for Item I can be viewed https://example.com/here-within-the-linstructional-belivery-table-and-chart.

Standard 1 Aspect f

The Dispositions Domain of the CPAST is made up of 8 items measuring Professional Commitment and Behaviors, Professional Relationships, and Critical Thinking and Reflective Practice. The Disposition domain means from midterm and end of placement CPAST 3-way evaluation meetings are reported in this table along with state and national comparisons. The midterm domain mean was 2.18 and the final domain mean was 2.63.

Table 4. Expectations and Performance on Standard 2: Completer Professional Competence and Growth

Provider-Selected Measures	Explanation of Performance Expectation	Level or Exte	ent of Success	in Meeting th	e Expectation	
EAS	A passing score on the Educating All Students exam is 520, and teacher candidates must pass this exam to become certified in New York State. The EAS scores ranging from July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024 are presented in this table. Because of the topics presented on this certification exam, the pass rate benchmark of 80% serves as one indication that program completers in Childhood Education, Adolescence Education, Childhood Special Education (Fiveyear), Adolescent Education (Fiveyear), Physical	Test Number 201	Test Name EAS – Educating All Students	Total Attempts 50	Total Passed 49	Pass Rate 98%

	Education, and Graduate Special Education are prepared to support the learning and language needs of diverse student populations, demonstrating that they have the knowledge to "understand and engage local school and cultural communities, and communicate and foster relationships with families/guardians/caregivers in a variety of communities" upon entering the profession.	
Student Teaching Survey (PHED)	The Physical Education Student Teaching Survey is completed at the end of each placement by the Student Teacher, Cooperating Teacher, and College Supervisor. As stated in the QAR, it is our expectation that for the program, the mean scores will meet or surpass a 3.2 or 80% on each of the questions to evidence success with the corresponding aspects of this standard.	Standard 2 Aspect a Understand and engage local school and cultural communities, and communicate and foster relationships with families/guardians/caregivers in a variety of communities Standard 2 Aspect f Collaborate with colleagues to support professional learning Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024 Professionalism Question 4 Took initiative and developed collaborative relationships with all school personnel. Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.60 Standard 2 Aspect b Engage in culturally responsive educational practices with diverse learners and do so in diverse cultural and socioeconomic community contexts. Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024 Caring Question 2 Differentiated instruction based on diverse backgrounds. Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.72 Pedagogy Question 3 Managed and adapted the learning environment to meet the needs of diverse students. Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.48

Standard 2 Aspect c

Create productive learning environments and use strategies to develop productive learning environments in a variety of school contexts.

Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024

Teaching Skills Question 4

Created an intellectually challenging and stimulating learning environment that resulted in student participation, cooperation, and learning.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.45

Caring Question 3

Created an inclusive, mutually respectful, safe, and supportive learning environment.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.90

Caring Question 5

Fostered student interactions among all students.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.78

Technology Question 1

Used technology to enhance teaching and learning.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.27

Standard 2 Aspect e

Establish goals for their own professional growth and engage in self-assessment, goal setting, and reflection

Mean from Student Teaching Survey AY 2023-2024

Professionalism Question 2

Reflected on and acted on constructive feedback from others.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.81

Professionalism Question 6

Expanded knowledge of current research as it applies to curriculum, instruction, and assessment methods.

Physical Education (n = 33) M=3.63

Note: The Student Teacher Survey uses a 0 to 4-point scale where 0 = Not Evident and 4 = Distinguished. Respondents include the student teacher, cooperating teacher, and college supervisor. Although we did not report these data in our Candidate Preservice Domain means from midterm and end of placement CPAST 3-way Quality Assurance Report, we have data from evaluation meetings are reported in this table along with state and **Assessment of Student Teaching** the CPAST for the undergraduate Childhood national comparisons. Because this measure was not described in the QAR, (CPAST) and Adolescent preservice teachers. further description of items relevant to AAQEP Standard 2 are described below. The CPAST was developed and validated through the Valid and Reliable Instruments for Standard 2 Aspect a Educator Preparation Programs (VARI-EPP) Item O, "Demonstrates Effective Communication with Parents or Legal Collaboration (Kaplan et al., 2017). College Guardians" captures part of Aspect 2a, "engage local school and cultural supervisors are required to complete training communities, and communicate and foster relationships with families/ on the evaluation guardians / caregivers in a variety of communities." The average across protocol and the instrument's use to ensure both terms was 1.83. Means, comparison scores, and score distributions reliability. for Item O can be viewed here in the Professional Commitment & Behaviors table and chart. Our expectation is that the average consensus score at the end of student teaching is at least Standard 2 Aspect b a 2 on every item (0 = Does Not Meet Items C, "Assessment of P-12 Learning" and D "Differentiated Methods" Expectations, 1 = Emerging, 2 = Meetsrequire culturally relevant practices to meet expectations, shedding light Expectations, 3 = Exceeds Expectations). on Aspect 2b, engage in culturally responsive educational practices with diverse learners and do so in diverse cultural and socioeconomic community contexts." The average across both terms was 2.10 for Item C

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and 2.17 for Item D. Additionally, Item T includes advocacy for equitable opportunities, adequate resources, and the cultural needs of learners in the item description. The average across both terms was 2.23. Means, comparison scores, and score distributions for Items C and D can be viewed here in the Professional Relationships, Critical

Thinking and Reflective Practice table and chart.

Standard 2 Aspect c

		Items A-M in the Pedagogy Domain capture Aspect 2c, "create productive learning environments and use strategies to develop productive learning environments in a variety of school contexts." The average score for the Pedagogy Domain across both terms was 2.36Of the 13 pedagogy items, Item I, "Safe & Respectful Learning Environment" is the most proximal measure of Aspect 2c. The average across both terms was 2.83. The Pedagogy Domain mean can be viewed here with national and state comparisons. Means, comparison scores, and score distributions for Item I can be viewed here within the Instructional Delivery table and chart. Standard 2 Aspect e Items N, "Participates in Professional Development" and U, "Responds Positively to Constructive Criticism" shed light on Aspect 2e, "establish goals for their own professional growth and engage in self-assessment, goal setting, and reflection." The average across both terms was 2.47 for Item N and 2.93 for Item U. Means, comparison scores, and score distributions for Item N can be viewed here within the Professional Commitment and Behaviors table and chart and for Item U here in the Professional Relationships, Critical Thinking and Reflective Practice table and chart. Standard 2 Aspect f
		Item S, "Collaboration" directly captures Aspect 2f, "collaborate with colleagues to support professional learning." The average across both terms was 2.77. Means, comparison scores, and score distributions for Item S can be viewed here in the Professional Relationships , Critical https://example.com/herein-the-Professional Relationships , The Arrange Arrange https://example.com/herein-the-Professional Relationships , The Arrange
Teacher Performance Assessment-TPA (PHED)	During the 2022–2023 academic year, the Physical Education Teacher Program piloted the internal Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA), which the New York State Education Department officially approved in May 2023. Twelve students completed the TPA as part of their student teaching experience, with a	Ten out of twelve teacher candidates achieved the expected passing score of 36 out of 45 points (80%) or a 2.4 or higher on a 3-point rubric in the planning, instruction, and assessment tasks of the TPA performance-based assessment.

department faculty member scoring their performance using a modified rubric adapted from the national edTPA.

The TPA consists of three core tasks:

- Task 1 evaluates candidates' planning skills.
- Task 2 measures instructional skills.
- Task 3 assesses student learning and candidates' ability to use assessment effectively in the classroom.

To meet program expectations, candidates are required to achieve a passing score of **36 out** of **45 points (80%)**, or an average of **2.4 or** higher on a 3-point rubric across the planning, instruction, and assessment components of the TPA.

2.4 or better using a 3 point rubric						
Candidates Task 1 Planning Instruct ion Task 3 Assessmen t Overall average score						
N = 12	2.78	2.63	2.42	2.63		

Overall average point score: 40 points (88%)

Teacher Performance Assessment-TPA (CHED & ADOL) During AY 2023-2024, the education department piloted the new internal Teacher Performance Assessment which was approved by NY State Education Department as a replacement for the edTPA. Of the 31 candidates completing the TPA during their student teaching placement, 30 candidates received passing scores across the Planning, Teaching, and Assessment tasks. The final candidate repeated his student teaching

placement Fall 2024. See commentary in section 5 below regarding the revision of the TPA for CHED and ADOL.

5. Notes on Progress, Accomplishment, and Innovation

This section describes program accomplishments, efforts, and innovations (strengths and outcomes) to address challenges and priorities over the past year.

Along with the restructuring of the college's six schools into three, President Riverso paused or closed multiple programs across the college. The pause of the School Building Leadership program impacted the initial plan to utilize graduate students in the program as objective scorers for the internal TPA in the Childhood and Adolescence Education programs. The number of full time faculty was also reduced making scoring the TPAs and achieving inter-rater reliability a challenge. In June 2024, AAQEP held a conversation webinar for teacher preparation programs across New York to discuss their success and challenges with their new Teacher Performance Assessments. During this discussion, we heard from other programs who moved away from a "snapshot" TPA to a more holistic portfolio. In response, the Education Department developed a new online portfolio with multiple assignments aligned with the CPAST rubric as it is already used as part of the evaluation cycle during student teaching. The portfolio houses evidence for each of the 21 indicators across the Pedagogy and Disposition Domains. The CPAST aligned Student Teaching Portfolio is awaiting approval as the replacement for the edTPA.

The Education department is redesigning the secondary education program to more effectively recruit students. The major innovation consists of enrolling first-year students as majors in a content area, and then having them choose a "teacher track" by the end of their sophomore year. For Biology, Chemistry, and Physics, students will switch their major to Adolescence Education- with the subject area concentration. For English, History, Spanish, and Mathematics, students will declare a double major in Adolescence Education and the subject area major. The Education department has worked with the chairs of the other departments to create new 4-yr plans for the various programs of study. We hope this redesign will recruit more students into secondary education who enter college with an interest in a subject area but who were not previously planning to study education. The new programs of study are currently undergoing review by school and university curriculum committees prior to registering the changes with NYSED.

To address the weakness in classroom management preparation indicated in the survey of alumni, education faculty met with a Behavior (Systems Change) Specialist from the NYC DOE Special Education Office's Division of Specialized Instruction

and Student Support to rework the syllabus and assignments in the course, "Classroom & Instructional Management for Diverse Learners" taken by all ADOL, CHED, and PHED students.