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FAQS for Teaching Credential Candidates regarding Covid 19, Field Work, and edTPA.

My school is out...

What is the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) doing to support credential candidates?

The CTC has stated that they are exploring all legal supports for candidates. They are exploring ways in which first year teachers may complete the 600 hours the edTPA in their first year of service. There will be more updates on this during the week.

It is our intent that all candidates who are on target to complete preparation and earn a Credential this year will be able to do so. Any flexibility we can legally provide to support this goal will be offered. For candidates who are unable to meet all requirements during this academic year due to the coronavirus pandemic, we are considering any and all legal pathways to allow them to begin teaching or providing services this fall and complete clinical practice and performance assessments during their first year of teaching or service.

What can I count in my 600 hours?

Training for online instruction, co-planning, co-assessment, recording asynchronous lessons, leading/co-teaching synchronous online lessons.

What about the edTPA?

As the CTC says, **they are exploring ways in which candidates can complete their performance assessment during the first year of service.** *Therefore, we recommend that you do not cut corners due to school closures.* It is better to submit a good edTPA later than a poor one on time. The edTPA submissions dates are listed below. However, each one of you will have different circumstances and are in different stages of completion. Below are some examples that may help you determine next steps. If you have further questions, please contact your instructors and program coordinators.

- **If you have completed planning but have not done instruction** you may be able to write up your planning commentaries but need to consider the following:
 - Will I be able to teach the lesson in the future or will the lessons be so out of sequence that I will have to write new lessons? (For example, a math lesson

may be part of a larger scope and sequence and the material may have been covered before you can teach it.)

- My lesson plans can take place at any time in the future. I will write up all lesson plans and commentary to prepare for when I return to the classroom.
 - My lesson plans cannot be taught out of sequence therefore I will NOT proceed with the edTPA at this time.
- **If you have completed some but not all of your instruction** look at your video closely.
 - Do you have the evidence in the video to respond to rubrics 6 - 9? If you do not have adequate video, determine if you can continue with the video at a later date?
 - I have video that includes evidence that meets all 6-9 rubric requirements. I will write up the commentary and continue with the edTPA; unless I am missing and will be unable to collect an appropriate assessment to meet Task 3 requirements.
 - I do not have video that will meet rubrics 6-9. I will NOT proceed with the edTPA at this time.
 - **If you have completed instruction and have or will be able to obtain assessment artifacts** then you should continue to work on your edTPA.
 - Do your artifacts meet the criteria for assessment task 3? If not, can you collect them through some sort of online submission?
 - **If I cannot complete the edTPA at this time, what should I do?**
 - Complete class assignments.
 - Stay in communication with your CT, supervisor, and instructors.
 - If you are Multiple Subject, you can use this time to study for RICA.

edTPA Submission Dates	Score Reporting Dates
2/13/20	3/5/20
2/27/20	3/19/20
3/12/20	4/2/20
3/26/20	4/16/20
4/9/20	4/30/20
4/23/20	5/14/20
5/7/20	5/28/20
5/21/20	6/11/20
6/4/20	6/25/20
7/9/20	7/30/20
7/23/20	8/13/20
8/6/20	8/27/20

My cooperating teacher wants my help in creating online instruction. What should I do?

Our first concern is students and their learning. If you can help your CT, then you should since, as stated previously, it will count towards your hours. Remembering that a student teaching placement is the longest job interview ever, this may be a time for you to shine. At the same time, we want to make certain that you are not being taken advantage of. This should be a collaborative effort and the CT is the one responsible for instruction.

What about solo teaching hours?

At this point, we do not have an answer to this question. We are waiting for direction from the CTC. There is a statewide conference call this Friday with the CTC and teacher education programs to determine next steps.

Please check back, as we will be updating these FAQs as we receive information.