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For Completing a Degree in Teacher Education

FIRST YEAR (Completion of 30+ credit hours toward graduation by end of first year)

Check off the following as completed:

- _____ Declare your Major/Specialization/Concentration and read through the catalog for your major
- _____ My Education Advisor is _____
- _____ My Program Coordinator is _____
- _____ Meet with Education Advisor to register, work towards completion of GEP, major, specialization /concentration courses, and Pre-Phase courses
- _____ Pass all Pre-Phase courses (as designated by program) with a grade of “C” or better
- _____ Prepare for Praxis Core, if necessary (exempt with ACT =24 or SAT math and verbal or math and critical reading = 1100)

SECOND YEAR (Completion of 60+ credit hours toward graduation by end of second year)

Check off the following as completed:

- _____ Register, take, and pass the Praxis Core, if SAT or ACT do not meet minimum score
- _____ Meet with Education Advisor to register, work towards completion of GEP, major / specialization /concentration courses, and Pre-Phase courses
- _____ Pass all Pre-Phase courses (as designated by program) with a grade of “C” or better
- _____ Apply online (www.frostburg.edu/Phase1) for Phase 1 Admission (see requirements in catalog), submit current TB test and 20 documented hours of working with diverse populations

THIRD YEAR (Completion of 90+ hours toward graduation by end of third year)

Check off the following as completed:

- _____ Fingerprinting/background check – Campus Police - form from Office Field Experiences
- _____ Meet with Education Advisor to register and plan program specific courses
- _____ Achieve a grade of “C” or better (or P) in all Professional Education Sequence courses, as designated by program
- _____ Apply online (www.frostburg.edu/Phase2) for Phase 2 Admission (see full list of requirements in catalog), submit a specialization/concentration form (P-9 majors only)
- _____ Successfully complete (Professional Development Schools) entrance interview/conference, as designated by program
- _____ Prepare for required (by the Maryland State Department of Education) Praxis II

FOURTH YEAR (Completion of at least 120+ credit hours toward graduation)

Check off the following as completed:

- _____ Register, take, and pass required Praxis II
- _____ Apply online (www.frostburg.edu/Phase3) for Phase 3 Admission (see full list of requirements in catalog), submit a current TB test and verification of completion or registration for required Praxis II
- _____ Achieve a grade of “C” or better (or P) in all Professional Education Sequence courses, as designated by program
- _____ Meet with Advisor to register and to be cleared for graduation
- _____ Apply for graduation
- _____ Successfully complete all field work and seminar
- _____ Successfully submit EdTPA portfolio, and complete exit requirements as designated by program

***Candidates apply for certification directly to the Maryland State Department of Education (<https://eisportal.msde.maryland.gov/>)**