Education Department
Student Contract: Grade Point Average Requirements

I. Admission to the program.
A. Students meeting admission requirements and accepted to the University of Scranton are accepted in the Education Department as Education Majors; however, progress beyond 48 credits may occur only upon application for Teacher Candidate status. (Students are referred to Admission to the Education Programs in this handbook for Teacher Candidate Screening criteria in their program of studies.)
B. A student enrolled at the University of Scranton as a major in another department and wishing to transfer into a teacher preparation program, or a student transferring to the University of Scranton to enter a teacher preparation program, will be admitted to the teacher preparation program after meeting the following criteria:
   1. An overall 3.0 G.P.A.
   2. A 3.0 average in teaching area courses (cognate and general education courses appropriately marked).
   3. A 3.0 average in courses required in the professional educational sequence.
   4. Successfully fulfill the program’s Teacher Candidacy Screening process.
C. A student having earned a bachelor’s degree (or higher) may be admitted as a candidate for certification after meeting the criteria listed above.

II. Retention in the program
A. A student seeking a degree and/or certification must meet established minimum competencies in oral and written communications as determined by the University.
B. A student must successfully demonstrate all stated professional and teaching area competencies.
C. A student must register an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher in all course work by the end of the fourth full semester, normally the end of the student’s sophomore year. The student must then maintain a 3.0 average through completion of the program.
D. A student must register an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher in all teaching area course work (including cognate and GE courses appropriately marked) and, separately, in professional education courses, by the end of the student’s fourth full semester, normally the end of the student’s sophomore year. The student must then maintain a 3.0 average through completion of the program.

I have been advised to read The Education Student Handbook, which can be found on the University’s website. (Initials) ____________

I have received a copy of this policy and have had the opportunity to discuss the policy with my mentor/Freshman Seminar instructor.

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Print Name

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DATE

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