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EDUCATOR PREP PROGRAMS RECOGNIZED FOR NATIONAL EXCELLENCE

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The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) announced that Lindenwood University is one of 55 providers from 28 states and the United Arab Emirates to receive accreditation for their educator preparation programs. The Fall 2022 review by the CAEP [Accreditation Council](#) resulted in 55 educator preparation providers receiving accreditation, bringing the total to 507 providers approved under the CAEP [Accreditation Standards](#) – rigorous, nationally recognized standards that were developed to ensure excellence in educator preparation programs.

“These institutions meet high standards so that their students receive an education that prepares them to succeed in a diverse range of classrooms after they graduate,” said CAEP President Dr. Christopher A. Koch. “Seeking CAEP Accreditation is a significant commitment on the part of an educator preparation provider.”

CAEP is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. Accreditation is a nongovernmental activity based on peer review that serves the dual functions of assuring quality and promoting improvement. CAEP is a unified accreditation system intent on raising the performance of all institutions focused on educator preparation. More than 600 educator preparation providers participate in the CAEP Accreditation system, including some previously accredited through former standards.

Educator preparation providers seeking accreditation must pass peer review of the CAEP standards, which are based on two principles:

1. Solid evidence that the provider’s graduates are competent and caring educators, and

2. Solid evidence that the provider's educator staff have the capacity to create a culture of evidence and use it to maintain and enhance the quality of the professional programs they offer.

If a program fails to meet one of the standards, it is placed on probation for two years. Probation may be lifted in two years if a program provides evidence that it meets the standard.

"The Lindenwood College of Education and Human Services is very pleased to announce that its educator preparation programs (EPP), some 43 in all, at both the initial and advance levels have received full accreditation from the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP), considered the gold standard for EPP accreditation," Dean of the College of Education and Human Services Dr. Anthony Scheffler said. "We are particularly honored to be recognized, as one of the few colleges that received no Areas for Improvement (AFIs) or Stipulations. This is an especially noteworthy accomplishment given that this is the first time Lindenwood has attempted CAEP accreditation and addressed both the advanced and initial CAEP standards. This milestone would not have been possible however, without the insightful input and hard work of our faculty and staff along with that of faculty from across the colleges in partnership with our community stakeholders."

Lindenwood joins 54 other providers to receive accreditation this fall, bringing the total number to 507 CAEP-accredited providers from 44 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, Jordan and the United Arab Emirates.

The council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEPnet.org) advances excellence in educator preparation through evidence-based accreditation that assures quality and supports continuous improvement to strengthen P-12 student learning.