

UA TPP Professional Expectations for Teacher Candidates

Teacher candidates are expected to:

- maintain or exceed the minimum grade point average in their respective programs
- earn the minimum required letter grades in program courses
- follow the academic program of study as prescribed by the program advisor
- abide by state, university, and school district professional, behavioral, and academic standards
- abide by FERPA requirements regarding student data and privacy
- abide by Arizona statutes regarding Mandatory Reporting
- communicate professionally and respectfully, orally and in writing (including all forms of social media), with and about peers, colleagues, instructors, K-12 students, teachers, administrators, families, and community members
- refrain from posting or sharing any minor's images, videos, identifying information, or student work on social media without the written permission of the parent/guardian
- have a professional appearance when on a school campus or at school-related events
- attend all required course and field-related events
- in case of emergency or absence, provide timely notification to appropriate personnel
- arrive on time and remain for the duration of scheduled classes and field experiences
- be fully prepared for scheduled classes and field experiences
- look beyond self and respect differences of race, ethnicity, language, social class, national allegiance, cultural heritage, disability or perceived disability, gender, and sexual orientation
- acknowledge and respond (if appropriate) to others' differing perspectives in a professional and respectful manner
- accept and act upon reasonable criticism and feedback
- question and test their assumptions about teaching and learning
- separate personal and professional issues
- exhibit knowledge through inquiry, critical analysis, and synthesis of the subject
- inform appropriate University and school personnel in a timely manner regarding the existence of professional or personal issues which may impact the ability to continue or be successful in the program and/or field experiences
- be proactive in solving issues early through open communication with pertinent personnel
- review and utilize relevant materials and resources provided, including those available via our website and handbook
- never invite or meet with a student outside of school events
- do not text, message, email, call, or use social media with students about any topic that is not directly school-related
- check UA email and phone messages daily, and respond appropriately within one business day to messages regarding program or field experience
- maintain organized and up-to-date records of field experience, which may include time card, lesson plans, phase-in schedule, observation notes, reflections, etc.