

Mid-Program Candidate Feedback
Foundations Block
Course(s): ED 481/581
Spring 2020

f = frequency of the responses

List those things that you perceive as strengths or aspects of your degree program that are most valuable to you.	<i>f</i>
<p>Classes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning about the different ways you can teach students. • I love how mostly everything is online so I can look at it when I need to. • I really enjoy the partial online aspect of the block. This makes it easier to schedule observations, but I do wish there were more face to face. • I like how the class(es) get you prepared to teach. • Being able to do work online since I live a good ways away. • I think the prep that we are getting for classroom experience is great. • The speakers that come into the classroom to teach us about their experiences is very good. • I love how in some classes we can be hands on and go out to get experience. • I like having one face-to-face course to interact with peers in the same profession. • We learn a lot about how to handle different situations in the classroom, which is a big strength to me. • I love the online aspects! It makes it so much easier to make time to go and observe in the schools. • The ED 481 class was extremely helpful! • Learning so much about diversity and how to handle it within the classroom. • Classroom management. • Proper attitude of teachers. • The type of courses we have to take/the lessons being taught. • I love how this block teaches you the very basics of teaching, instead of throwing everything at you at once. • I like the videos. I feel like reading a chapter and then seeing the information you learned being used in a video is helpful. Also seeing the text in a classroom setting or having a guest speaker helps. 	15
<p>Labs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observations in the schools, allowing you to see and observe teachers and their classrooms. • Being able to see how a teacher's normal day would go is very intriguing. • Some strengths I perceive is how much I am involved in the classroom for observations. • I like observing because it gives you hands on experience. • Completing observations and being able to actually assist our CT. • I love having the experience in the schools; the green sheet of paper with tasks for us to complete in our observations is very beneficial because it allows us to engage with the students. • The strengths of this block would be that we get to observe in the schools. • Observations/time in the classroom. • Being able to observe in classrooms. 	9

<p>Professors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The teachers and how helpful they are! • The teachers are professional and have past experiences. • The teachers are responsive and have good content to share. • One on one time with the teacher. 	4
<p>List those things that you perceive as growth areas or specific ways in which your degree program could be improved.</p>	
<p>Classes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Content Blocks are not very time friendly, only allowing 1 time to meet. Having to miss work. • I would say the online classes. I learn better in face to face classroom settings not online. • The online courses can be challenging. • Scheduling with random classes is so hard when also working. • One of the things that could be considered an area of growth is maybe having half face to face and half online. • Move all classes to in class. When they are online, I don't think you learn as much. • Having more than 5 class times/days in ED 401. • I wish more classes would be held in class. I feel like students would have a better understanding. • I feel we could've been more prepared. The online classes have not seemed to be very resourceful. • For online class, put the due date on Canvas as the date needed for initial responses. • Growth areas in the Content block would be to provide more face-to-face interactions. Many students don't learn as much online as they do face to face. • The structure of the online courses. I feel that at times they are all over the place and some assignments are not discussed properly. • In online classes, I feel like more explicit instructions and maybe even examples of projects would be beneficial to the student, so as to eliminate most of the confusion and vagueness that can accompany online courses. • I think the SPED class assignments could be explained more in depth. A lot of the assignments were vague in their explanation. • If an assignment has multiple parts for example a discussion question is due on Friday but the student comments on their peers is due on Sunday, it would help greatly if both were due on the same day or if it shows on the calendar as due Friday. I go by the calendar view and it is shown as due Sunday. If I forget and just look at Sunday where it shows up then I miss it. • Maybe not have so many classes online. • All the online classes (it's not my favorite) • We DO NOT need to have a discussion post for every class, every week. Ya'll expect us to read a chapter, a power point, and watch a video and then comment on the other students post after writing your own. Uh, no. Doing that several times is exhausting. Also, if one part of a discussion is due, the commenting should be due too. 	17
<p>Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I feel like there could be more Praxis practice/study sessions that are offered. I know every student stresses about the Praxis so it would be nice to have help from faculty/adults that have had the experience in taking it. 	3

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I think more information and help on the Praxis would be good for future students. Preparing us more on what to study and expect. • Being in the know of what's going on; learning more about the TEP interview earlier and the things we are required to do. 	
Labs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being in the schools more to get a better or deeper understanding. • Observation sites should be closer to a student's home address to avoid having to drive 2 hours away! 	2
Professors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need professors that will email us back considering we do not meet face-to-face. 	1
Please rate your level of satisfaction with the overall quality of your program.	<i>f</i>
Very Satisfied	8
Satisfied	13
Neutral	0
Unsatisfied	0
Very Unsatisfied	0

Additional Comments:

I wish that there were different meeting times that we could choose from, not just afternoon classes, making some students miss work.

I love my classes and I feel like I'm learning so much already.

I would love for a more clear outline for collab majors. I struggle knowing what is the same/different.

I love how Jiji was so energetic. Her class really helped me a lot.

Prepare students for the TEP interview and the Praxis.

As a commuter, I enjoyed having most of my classes online as I had more time to observe and to work at my job.

Prepare students longer on the TEP interview.

Really enjoyed this semester.

Love our professors and how they are there for us and want us to succeed.

I thoroughly have enjoyed this semester/block.