

Dear Superintendent/Personnel Director:

The individual listed on the back of this letter has applied for admission to the graduate program in the College of Education at Augusta State University. Graduate study at ASU is designed to build on previous course work, supervised clinical and field experience, and “real world” work with boys and girls. The Master of Education Degree (M.Ed.) is designed to extend and enrich the professional knowledge base(s), understandings, and pedagogical repertoires of the graduate student to prepare “master teachers,” counselors, and administrators. Successful students in this program are expected to increase critical thinking and analytical abilities, question and create new curriculum programs, extend best practice, offer collaborative assistance to colleagues, and generally become the “Best of the Best” in the school setting. The Education Specialist Program (Ed.S.) provides the necessary experiences for these “master teachers” to develop the knowledge, skills, and dispositions necessary to transcend instructional expertise and become “school leaders” and change agents from the platform of the public school classroom.

In order to meet these objectives, the faculty in the College of Education believes that the potential student should have substantial successful teaching experience prior to beginning a graduate degree. Therefore, the following minimum years of successful teaching experience are required for admission to each of the degree programs.

Two years of successful teaching experience for admission to the M.Ed. Degree  
Three years of successful teaching experience for admission to the Ed.S. Degree

In order to complete the admission process for this applicant, we need your assistance in verifying their successful teaching experience. If you have any questions about this process, please contact me at: (706) 737-1499. We appreciate your time and attention to this matter.

Educationally yours,

Dr. Thomas E. Deering  
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