

505-3-.37 SPEECH EDUCATION PROGRAM

(1) Purpose. This rule states criteria for approving initial educator preparation programs that prepare individuals to teach speech in grades 6-12 and supplements requirements in Rule 505-3-.01, Requirements and Standards for Approving Professional Education Units and Educator Preparation Programs.

(2) Requirements.

(a) To receive approval, a state-approved professional education unit shall offer a preparation program described in program planning forms, catalogs, and syllabi addressing the following standards:

1. The program shall prepare candidates who are familiar with basic communication concepts and theories.

2. The program shall prepare candidates who can identify various communication media and discuss the changing nature of media and the ways in which different media enable and constrain communication.

3. The program shall prepare candidates who know and apply critical skills associated with communicative arts, including characterization of the relationship between the critic and the critical object, identification of the social value of criticism and application of various stances to a variety of communicative acts.

4. The program shall prepare candidates who apply principles of responsible communication, including consideration of philosophies of communication that assign central importance to concepts of free speech, ethics, and their impact upon communicative acts.

5. The program shall prepare candidates who model practical communication skills related to public speaking, oral interpretation, group decision-making, television and radio, film, print, interpersonal, and organizational communication.

6. The program shall prepare candidates who can direct student co-curricular activities such as debate, forensics, radio management, and film society.

7. The program shall prepare candidates who can enforce the rules of parliamentary procedure.

8. The program shall prepare candidates who know the history of theater, and can plan, conduct, and direct plays in schools.

(b) The program shall meet all requirements specified in Rule 505-3-.01(4.f.), Special Georgia Requirements.

Authority O.C.G.A. § 20-2-200