



REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION

Heidelberg University

Adolescence to Young Adult Life Sciences: Physics License

Request:

Heidelberg University requests approval to offer a baccalaureate level program leading to the Ohio Adolescence to Young Adult Life Sciences: Physics License.

Profile:

Heidelberg University is a private, non-profit university. The university was founded in 1850 by the German Reformed Church (now the United Church of Christ). Located in Tiffin, Ohio, the university has an enrollment of more than 1,000 undergraduates and over 100 graduate students.

Accreditation/Authorization:

Heidelberg University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) until its next scheduled review in 2016. Heidelberg University's educator preparation programs are accredited by National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) until the next review in 2017.

Background:

Heidelberg University is submitting its Limited State Review request to ensure program alignment with Ohio standards and requirements. The program currently holds Specialized Professional Association (SPA) national recognition without conditions, which is a pre-requisite to Limited State Review. Programs leading to the Adolescence to Young Adult Life Sciences: Physics License are valid for teaching students in grades 7 through 12. Heidelberg University offers the program leading to the Adolescence to Young Adult Life Sciences: Physics License at the baccalaureate level.

Recommendation:

Heidelberg University's Adolescence to Young Adult Life Sciences: Physics License preparation program meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for baccalaureate level programs leading to the Adolescence to Young Adult Life Sciences: Physics License. Approval is recommended for Heidelberg University's baccalaureate level program leading to the Adolescence to Young Adult Life Sciences: Physics License until the spring 2022 review cycle. It should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio licensure continue to be met.

Metrics reported on the Ohio Educator Preparation Program Performance Reports for this program are within acceptable ranges as follows: graduate performance as measured by the Ohio Teacher Evaluation System or Ohio Principal Evaluation System; licensure pass rates of program completers; Ohio Value-Added Measure of PK-12 student learning of students taught by program graduates; admission

requirements; field and clinical experiences; and graduate persistence in Ohio Resident Educator Program. Of note, candidate responses on the statewide Pre-Service Survey show candidates consistently rank their preparation for Ohio-specific requirements below other aspects of their preparation. This is an identified area of continuous improvement for the program.

End of Comment Period: July 22, 2015 at 1:00pm
No comments received, recommend approval

RECOMMENDATION

The Associate Vice Chancellor of P-16 Initiatives has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.



Rebecca Watts, Associate Vice Chancellor of P-16 Initiatives

7/27/2015
Date

APPROVAL



John Carey, Chancellor

7/30/15
Date

