

## BACKGROUND AND REQUEST

### UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON Teacher Leader Endorsement

#### RECOMMENDATION

This endorsement meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for a program leading to the Teacher Leader Endorsement. No major concerns were identified in the review. Approval is recommended for the University of Dayton until the next national accreditation review. 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.

**Profile:** University of Dayton is a private, non-profit institution located in Dayton. University of Dayton has nearly 8000 undergraduate students and more than 3400 graduate students pursuing study at the associate, baccalaureate, masters and doctoral level.

**Accreditation/Authorization:** The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) accredits the University of Dayton's educator preparation programs at the initial and advanced level until the next review in 2016. The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (HLC) regionally accredits the institution until its next scheduled review in 2018.

**Request:** University of Dayton requests approval for the graduate level Teacher Leader Endorsement.

**Background:** The Teacher Leader Endorsement can be added to an existing teacher license, K-12. The endorsement requires that the applicant has successfully completed four years of teaching experience, has a master's degree and meets the program standards for the endorsement. The Teacher Leader Standards focus primarily on: effective leadership and teacher learning; data-based decision making and demonstrating evidence-based practice; facilitating a collaborative learning culture; participation in a shared vision and goals for the school; and promotion and modeling of ongoing professional learning and improved practice.

The Teacher Leader Endorsement is valid for mentoring and coaching teachers, providing staff development, and assisting the building principal in developing and supporting a shared vision and shared goals for the school. The University of Dayton's program meets the minimum requirements for the endorsement.

**Recommendation to the Chancellor:** This program meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for a program of study leading to the Teacher Leader Endorsement. There were no major concerns identified in the review. Approval for University of Dayton is recommended until the institution's next national accreditation review. In addition, 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.

