There are three levels of admission to the Teacher Education Program. The student receives provisional admission upon meeting the admission policies of the institution. The student receives full admission upon meeting the following criteria:

1. Completion of a minimum of 30 semester hour of credit, exclusive of DSP courses, and including ENGL 1010 and 1020. Also FOED 2010 or its equivalent must have been completed.

2. Attainment of a minimum quality point average of 2.50 (exclusive of DSP credit).

3. Attainment of minimum scores on the Educational Testing Service--Pre-Professional Skills Test (173-Mathematics, 174-Reading, 173-Writing). Persons having achieved an Enhanced ACT composite score of 22, or a re-combined score of 1020 on the SAT are exempt from this requirement.

4. Evidence of desirable physical, emotional, and social characteristics conducive to success in teaching.

5. Formal application for admission to the Teacher Education Program. (The application must be filed with the Certification Analyst prior to the first semester of attendance after the completion of 30 semester hours of credit.)

The third level of admission is student teaching. Progression through the entire program is based on student performance and departmental evaluation. For further information concerning the PPST and application to the Teacher Education Program, please contact the Certification Analyst for the College of Education a 931-372-3170. For additional details on admission policies and procedural matters, please consult the Tennessee Tech Catalog.

The student may be required to meet revisions in the various curricula necessitated by changing standards of the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education or by requirements of the State Board of Education for teacher licensure.

NOTES:

During the semester immediately preceding attendance at Tennessee Tech, students should make application for the Second Level of the Teacher Education Program. The application packet may be obtained from the Certification Analyst of the College of Education, Box 5092, Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, TN 38505, or by calling 931-372-3170. In the request for the application packet, students should include name, address, social security number, and major. The application should be complete, signed by the student and the student’s advisor, and returned to the same address. The recommendation forms should be distributed to the following instructors: (1) major advisor; (2) an educational instructor; (3) an instructor in the major teaching field if the student is majoring in a 1-8, K-8, K-12, or PreK-3 field; and (4) to an elementary or high school teacher, principal, or counselor.

The student must provide an official transcript to the Certification analyst of the College of Education and must provide copies of ACT or SAT scores if seeking an exemption to the Pre-Professional Skills Test. The student should make application for admission to Tennessee Technological University at this time.

The student must meet all requirements and be fully approved for the Second Level before enrolling for upper division professional education courses. Waivers will not be granted.