

Student Teaching Grading Policies

Assigning the final grade for student teaching is the responsibility of the supervisor. The grade should reflect the supervisor's professional judgment of the teacher candidate's overall performance during the semester based on all observations, evaluations and include consideration of input from the mentor teacher. To be recommended for certification, the teacher candidate must earn a grade of B- or higher and have demonstrated Basic levels of competence in all four domains assessed: (1) Planning and Preparation, (2) Classroom Environment, (3) Instruction, and (4) Professional Responsibilities.

Note: If a student is performing at below Basic levels of competence at the Initial Progress Report or Midterm Evaluation, the supervisor must notify the School of Education no later than the Mandatory Midterm Summary Performance Review.

Final Grades

Final grades are determined using the following rating breakdown based on *Danielson Framework for Teaching* levels of performance. Each component is judged on a 1 to 3 scale (1-unsatisfactory/developing, 2-basic, and 3-proficient). Ratings for components of all domains are averaged to determine the final grade. This practice is modeled against state guidelines for performance expectations of novice teachers. (See <https://www.state.nj.us/education/AchieveNJ/resources/scoring.shtml> for details.) The following grading scale will be used for determination of the final grade for student teaching (EDUC 4990):

Grade	Average rating
A	2.8-3.0
A-	2.60-2.79
B+	2.40-2.59
B	2.20-2.39
B-	2.00-2.19
C or lower	1.99 or lower

A Range (A or A-) —Indicates that the teacher candidate has consistently met all expectations of the program, supervisor, and mentor teacher throughout the course of the semester as determined by the overall performance rating within all domains of the *Danielson Framework for Teaching*.

B Range (B, B+, or B-) —Indicates that the teacher candidate has generally, but with some inconsistencies, met the expectations of the program, supervisor, and mentor teacher during the semester as determined by the overall performance rating within all domains of the *Danielson Framework for Teaching*.

Grades below B- indicate that a student will not be recommended for certification. A supervisor with a teacher candidate performing below Basic levels must communicate with the School of Education prior to issuing a grade.

The minimum grade requirement for successfully completing Student Teaching is a B minus (B-). Should a student's grade fall below a B-, a full semester of Student Teaching must be repeated to be recommended for certification (again at a level of B- or higher). The School of Education reserves the right to determine whether or not the student will be permitted to repeat Student Teaching, after reflection and completion of a professional improvement plan which may take an additional semester. See page Error! Bookmark not defined..

The grade appeals policy can be accessed from the Stockton Home Page under Academic Affairs/Policies & Procedures. As with all other Professional Education Requirements, a student may not register for Student teaching more than twice. No incompletes are awarded in student teaching.