Commission on Teacher Credentialing Preliminary Report of Findings and Addendum

Institution	University of Southern California	-0 -	PRELIMINARY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
Date of Review	November 12, 2020		

Please complete the table below for all programs that were deemed to require "more information needed" by reviewers during Program Review (PR). Brief narrative (less than 150 words) is allowable but response <u>must</u> include links to evidence that address the issue identified by the reviewers.

Posting the Addendum

Information from the addendum must be posted on the institution's accreditation website at least 60 days before the site visit, along with the original program review document and feedback from the program reviewers. Please do not resubmit your response the items below, responses need only be added to your institution's accreditation website.

Standards Found to be	
Preliminarily Aligned	

Standards	Comment from Program	Response from Program
Requiring More	Reviewers	
Information		
Standard 1:	Provide further evidence of	Program teaches adults based on the CalAPA guidelines. Please see a description of the
Program Design and	adult learning theory and	adult learning theory (pg24) in the CalAPA program guide.
Rationale	instructional leadership.	
	Provide evidence that "the design of the program is based on a sound rationale informed by theory and research and aligned with the California	The School Leadership Academy for the Preliminary Administrative Services Credential is a preparation program that includes focused, authentic and interrelated sequence of learning experiences that effectively prepare candidates as instructional leaders in a variety of public, parochial and private schools and school districts. The design of the program is based on a sound rationale informed by theory and research framed by the ISLLC, CPSEL and CAPE standards and measured by the California Administrator Performance Assessment (CalAPA). Examples of where this content is addressed follows:

Expectations and principles of adult learning theory."

EDUC 537x Leading with the Community and Culture in Context for CalAPA Leadership Cycle 1

EDUC 549x Supervising Instruction for Optimal Learning for CalAPA Leadership Cycle 3

EDUC 641x Human Capital and School Organization for CalAPA Leadership Cycle 2

The coursework for EDUC 537, EDUC 549 and EDUC 641 are aligned, respectively, to CalAPA Leadership Cycles 1, 3, and 2. Due to CalAPA requirements, in December 2019, the program removed both summative assessment requirements of the Fieldwork Showcase and School Leadership Study, and elected to keep the Fieldwork Showcase (Syllabus EDUC 649, p. 2) as a cohesive representation of the 15-month experience aligned to CAPE standards for the summative assessment. The School Leadership Academy program provides content and performance expectations within the coursework and fieldwork for the Preliminary Administrative Services Credential in alignment with CalAPA.

The curriculum is aligned to the California Administrators Performance Expectations (CAPE) and is guided by the "Gap Analysis", an educational psychology problem-solving framework All courses in the School Leadership Program support candidates' abilities to master the CAPE standards and demonstrate the effective knowledge, skills, and dispositions to address the challenges and opportunities in leading California's K-12 schools.

EDUC 643 Advancing Community Support through Social Media

<u>Unit 2 PR Plan Part 1: Target Audience (EDUC 643 Syllabus pg. 14-15)</u>

In the administrative services preparation program, candidates participate in <u>practical</u> <u>field experiences</u> (from SLAPAC Brochure pgs. 22-24) that are designed to facilitate the application of theoretical concepts in authentic settings.

Each candidate is introduced to the major duties and responsibilities authorized by the administrative services credential as articulated in the Performance Expectations. Field experiences include a variety of diverse and realistic settings both in the day-to-day functions of administrators and in long-term policy design and implementation.

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Standard 2: Collaboration, Communication, and Coordination	Need more evidence of collaborative partnerships with stakeholders, such as advisory boards and community entities. Provide further evidence that "Partners, such as advisory committees, school districts that facilitate field experiences, higher education institutions, community organizations, and other stakeholder groups establish productive working relationships, coordinate joint efforts, and communicate regularly and openly."	The Program has collaborative partnerships with stakeholders related to fieldwork experiences with Fieldwork Coordinators. Collaborative partners are selected from our faculty pool, specifically from the Fieldwork Supervisor Coordinators, who are community members and stakeholders. We plan to broaden the pool of community members by inviting Site Supervisors. The meetings are held regularly and are designed to share program and course updates, review course design and structure, scheduling, student demographics, and faculty concerns. Resulting changes include course code change EDUC 648a and 648b to EDUC 648 and EDUC 649, Adobe Connect to Zoom meetings when the Adobe Connect contract ended, student demographics changed from single session of cohort to 2 sessions of the cohort due to partnership with Learn4Life, and faculty concerns regarding support for CalAPA. The SLAPAC program is run through a virtual format and therefore has strong partnerships with school districts throughout the state of California where we bring in experts in the field to make recommendations on course content. For example, EDUC 643, Social Media, will be updated based on recommendations from one of these partnerships. The meetings with partners are held annually and are coordinated through the Program Administrator to discuss curriculum changes (See Key Assessments Agendas). Fieldwork Coordinators hold orientation meetings with school-based Site Supervisors for student fieldwork once each semester, at the beginning of EDUC 648 Fieldwork I and at the end of Fieldwork 649 II coordinated by the Site Supervisor Coordinators for their respective courses. As an example of a course that promotes and teachers candidates how to promote collaborative relationships, see Unit 2 PR Plan Part I (Target Audience) in EDUC 643: (pg. 32 of EDUC 643 Syllabus) Advancing Community Support through Social Media.
Standard 3: Development of Professional Leadership Perspectives	Provide further evidence that "the program facilitates each candidate's development of a professional leadership perspective through learning activities that	Candidates develop professional leadership perspectives through the following activities: EDUC 648 Apprenticeship in School Administration and Leadership (Fieldwork) 2.4 Personal Leadership Reflection Journal #1: (pg.9 of EDUC 648 Syllabus) EDUC 641x Human Capital and School Organization

	promote leadership and	10.5 Reflect/Preview Assignment 7: (pg. 25 of EDUC 641x Syllabus)
	interpersonal skills."	
		EDUC 549: Supervising Instruction for Optimal Learning(pg. 8 and Pg. 44 of EDUC 549x Syllabus)
		1.6 Reflection: Instructional Leadership (pg. 15 of EDUC 641x Syllabus)
	Provide evidence that "the	
	program curriculum and	
	pedagogies are designed to	
	engage candidates in	
	learning activities that	
	require the ability to	
	diagnose the causes of	
	organizational problems at	
	both macro and	
	micro-organizational levels	
	(e.g., system-wide and	
	individual)."	
	Provide evidence that "the	
	program provides multiple	
	opportunities for	
	candidates to apply skills of	
	reasoned and objective	
	inquiry to analyze complex	
	problems and propose	
	effective solutions	
	considering the political	
	context and its	
	implications."	
Standard 4: Equity,	Provide evidence that,	
Diversity, and	through coursework and	a) Candidates examine their personal attitudes related to issues of privilege and power
Access	fieldwork, candidates:	in different domains including race, gender, language, sexual orientation, religion,
		ableness, and socio-economic status through the following activity. An assignment
	a) examine their	that addresses this content is:
	personal attitudes	

related to issues of privilege and power in different domains including race, gender, language, sexual orientation, religion, ableness, and socio-economic status

- b) learn ways to analyze, monitor, and address these issues at the individual and system level
- c) understand how explicit and implicit racial bias impacts instruction, classroom management, and other school policies
- d) come to understand the role of the leader in creating equitable

related to issues of privilege and privilege and <u>EDUC 537x Leading with Community and Culture in Context – Assignment 2 – Week 3 (pg. 20-21 537x Syllabus)</u>

- b) Candidates learn ways to <u>analyze</u>, <u>monitor</u>, <u>and address these issues at the individual</u> and system level through and;
- c) Candidates understand how <u>explicit and implicit racial bias impacts instruction</u>, (Unit 4 pg. 24-25 537x Syllabus)

EDUC 549 Supervising Instruction for Optimal Learning Assignment 9: Reflective Narrative (pg. 39 549 Syllabus)

a) d) Candidates come to understand the role of the leader in creating equitable outcomes in schools through the following activity. See the activity linked below:

EDUC 641 Human Capital and School Organization

(Unit 7 pg. 25 of 641 syllabus)

	outcomes in schools.	
	Provide evidence that the program provides opportunities for candidates to learn how to identify, analyze and minimize personal bias, how policies and historical practices create and maintain institutional bias, and how leaders can address and monitor institutional-level inequity.	
Schooling in a	Provide further evidence of how the "program provides each candidate with opportunities to critically examine the principles of democratic education and the responsibilities of citizenship."	principles of democratic education and the responsibilities of citizenship and come to understand the role of the leader in creating equitable outcomes in schools through the following activity. By completing the EDU 538 Summative Course Assessment (pg.1 of 538 Syllabus)_assignment, each candidate has the opportunity to critically examine principles of democratic education creating equitable outcomes through Who are the stakeholders and entrepreneurs in my context? Community Mapping, Start with Why What is the 'why' for your school? EDUC 538: Developing an Entrepreneurial Lens for School Leadership (pg. 3-5 of 538 syllabus) 2. SWOT Analysis

	responsibility and to identify and critically analyze the variety of ideas and forces in society that contribute to (or constrain) a democratic society"						
Standard 6:Preparing Candidates to Master the Administrator Performance Expectations (CAPEs)	Provide further evidence regarding alignment and learning of components of CalAPA. Syllabi objectives align to CAPE; however, the assignments do not seem to align with these. Provide	content: EDUC 537 Lead Crosswalk show crosswalk show The rubric belo assignment exp COURSEW Participants must pass e candidate has met the pe	ing with Converse CAPE aligners where the we shows how ectations. ORK: PERFORMATION CONTRACTORY CONTR	nmunity and ment to co concepts and assignment wall assignment was all assignment with the course of the course. The course of t	d Culture in Corurse learning or re taught in the ments are aligno	ntext utcomes and assignment ed to meet t GRADES, and icates that the r each assignment and	he CAPE standards and

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	Reflections must show	
	feedback to be considered	
	assessments; are there	
	rubrics? Is there feedback?	
	Provide	
	clarification/evidence.	
	It is unclear where the	
	actual practice is taking	
	place. Please Clarify what	See Admin Matrix (pg.2-3)
	constitutes as practice and	
	application.	
Standard 7: Nature	Provide further evidence	
· ·	las auta cuitale CallADA a	SLAPAC fieldwork program's CAPE crosswalks are noted below demonstrating alignment more with CAPE-aligned CalAPA.
	fregarding how the site	An example of a required Common Fieldwork experience is noted below from EDUC 648 Fieldwork Experience I.
	Provide evidence of alignment between	REQUIRED COMMON FIELDWORK EXPERIENCES for EDUC 648x: Components of Summative Assessment
	handbook, coursework,	
	and fieldwork.	These FOUR Common Fieldwork experiences are required in EDUC 648x. The hours completed count toward the 100 hours required for this semester. In addition, these four Common Fieldwork
		experiences are required for the Personal Reflection Journals for this course.
	mentioned in the	
		Fieldwork Experience #1 Interview and Shadow Practicing Principal (Complete in EDUC 648x / may
	manabooks, but there	count up to 6 hours of Fieldwork hours)
	appears to be a disconnect	CAPE Alignment: 1C: Implementing the Vision
	between this and the	
	actual coursework and	
	assignments. Provide	
	clarification.	

New administrators recognize and explain to staff and other stakeholders how the school vision guides planning, decision making, and the change processes required to continuously improve teaching and learning. During preliminary preparation, aspiring administrators learn how to:

1. Engage staff and other stakeholders in sharing data to assess program/instructional strengths and needs that lead to student, staff, and community goals.

2. Use the goals in developing and implementing a plan aligned with the school's shared vision of equitable learning opportunities for all students.

3. Collect, analyze, and use multiple sources of data for ongoing monitoring to determine whether the plan is helping staff and stakeholders move toward the school's vision.

4. Share results with students, staff, and other stakeholders and use this information to guide updates, revisions, and the allocation of resources to support the plan and advance the vision.

5. Facilitate and support school structures, systems, and conditions that offer equal opportunities for all students to succeed.

6A: Understanding and Communicating Policy

New administrators are aware of the important role education policy plays in shaping the learning experiences of students, staff, families, and the larger school community. During preliminary preparation, aspiring administrators learn how to:

1. Recognize that any school is part of a larger district, state, and federal contexts that is influenced by political, social, economic, legal, and cultural factors. 2. Understand and analyze governance and policy systems and use this knowledge to explain roles and relationships of school and district administrators, local and state boards of education, and the legislature to staff and the school community. 3. Facilitate discussions among staff and the community about aligning mandates and policies with staff and student goals for continuously improving instruction, learning, and well-being. 4. Operate within legal parameters at all levels of the education system.

Goal: Using an interview protocol, candidates interview a principal to seek interpretation and advice about the job role and about current educational practices, policies, and demands of increased student learning and achievement. Candidates analyze and interpret responses to help clarify student growth needs as future leaders. In addition, candidates document and analyze 6 hours of observation/shadowing of a school leader to identify the daily conduct and expected performance of practicing school leaders.

Content:

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		 (1) Based on research on being a school principal, candidates will use the assigned course readings and text to develop an interview protocol. Among considerations for questions are: Issues from assigned readings and EDUC course content about the role of school leaders, (e.g. Marzano, et al.) The impact of national and state accountability policies Teaching and learning assessment issues, School improvement data Principal development and evaluation under ISLLC, CTC standards and CAPE, community capacity for supporting schools and Current economic and political issues Challenges and rewards related to school leadership (2) Shadow a school leader (principal and assistant principal) for a combined 6 total hours. Create a bulleted log of times and observed activities. Indicate the ISSLC, CTC and CAPE addressed in these activities. Analyze the behaviors that you shadowed. Evidence of Completion: Complete Personal Reflection Journal
		As noted in the Site Supervisor Handbook and course syllabi for EDUC 648(pgs. 1,11,16, and 26-Checklist), EDUC 649(pg. 25 Checklist)- the Site Supervisors are trained through Orientation by the Site Supervisor Coordinator at the beginning of Site Supervision in EDUC 648 Fieldwork I, during pop-in meetings, and at the end of EDUC 649 Fieldwork II and pop-in meetings held throughout the term
Standard 8: Guidance, Assistance, and Feedback	CalAPA responsibility; clarification of roles; clearer documentation for coursework, fieldwork, and alignment (possible graphic to show the flow);	Evidence of CalAPA responsibility, clarification of roles, documentation is noted below: Candidates are introduced to CalAPA 1 during their first term when taking EDU 537. They are introduced to CalAPA 3 when taking EDUC 549 and CalAPA 2 when taking EDUC 641. EDUC 537x Leading with the Community and Culture in Context for CalAPA Leadership Cycle 1 (pg. 2 of 537 Syllabus)
	process for candidate remediation.	EDUC 549x Supervising Instruction for Optimal Learning for CalAPA Leadership Cycle 3

EDUC 641x Human Capital and School Organization for CalAPA Leadership Cycle 2 CalAPA Submissions are taken as designated each semester. Remediation through group or private conversation (per the candidate's comfort level) with Program Administrator (and Key Assessment Coordinator, as needed). In group or individual (synchronous/virtual), (see p. 12 of SLAPAC Brochure) Should you not pass any sections for any of the leadership cycles, you will have the opportunity to receive remediation and coaching. It is the participant's responsibility to contact their instructor and the program administrator to seek guidance for this process. Evidence of CalAPA responsibility, clarification of roles, documentation is noted below Students **8A:** Administration | Provide clear evidence of of the the CalAPA processes. are introduced to CAPE standards in EDUC 533 and EDUC 537 (see page 4 of syllabus). Administrator When are candidates Performance introduced to each APE? Candidates are introduced to CalAPA 1 during their first term when taking EDU 537. They are Who is responsible for Assessment (APA) introduced to CalAPA 3 when taking EDUC 549 and CalAPA 2 when taking EDUC 641. equipment? What are the CalAPA timelines and Candidates are expected to submit their CalAPA cycles within 1 week of the conclusion of the remediation processes? aligned course, pending deadlines established by Pearson. When students receive a non-passing score, they contact the Program Administrator who meets with students to discuss the Rubric and facilitate their understanding of cycle requirements: EDUC 537x Leading with the Community and Culture in Context for CalAPA Leadership Cvcle 1 EDUC 549x Supervising Instruction for Optimal Learning for CalAPA Leadership Cycle 3 EDUC 641x Human Capital and School Organization for CalAPA Leadership Cycle 2

8B: Candidate	Provide clear evidence of	Candidates are introduced to CalAPA 1 during their first term when taking EDU 537. They are
Preparation and	where the CalAPAs are	introduced to CalAPA 3 when taking EDUC 549 and CalAPA 2 when taking EDUC 641.
Support	implemented in the	
	program; what is the	Assignments parallel the same objectives as the CalAPA Leadership Cycles.
	CalAPA system and	
	process? Provide a	The CTC developed a model of administrator performance assessment, the California
	flowchart/graphic.	Administrator Performance Assessment (CalAPA), which is now complete and required of all candidates of the Preliminary Administrative Services Credential. Students submit performance
		assessments through one of 3 cycles.
		assessments through one of 5 cycles.
		EDUC 537 CalAPA Cycle 1 Submission
		EDUC 549 CalAPA Cycle 2 Submission
		EDUC 641 CalAPA Cycle 3 Submission
		See page 12 of the SLAPAC Brochure and p. 19 of CalAPA Program Guide Year 3
8C: Assessor	Provide evidence of the	SLAPAC currently uses Student Academic Watch to identify and support candidates who are not
Qualifications,	process used by the	making satisfactory progress in course work (not earning 80%). A plan for formal remediation is
Training, and	program for assessing its	planned for Fall 2021 requiring a support system with Program Administrator, Assistant Dean and
Scoring Reliability	own candidates.	Faculty Advisor.
		(all students are assessed via the 5 level rubric below)
Standard 9:	Provide more clear	The rubric used for all assignments is noted below. Students are expected to be at least
Assessment of	evidence of the showcase	Proficient in all assignments. Assignments that score Basic or Below Basic receive feedback and
Candidate (reflections and artifacts), must be resubmitted until improved to Proficient or h		must be resubmitted until improved to Proficient or higher.
Performance	rubrics, and assessments	
	for all CAPEs and CalAPAs.	

COURSEWORK: PERFORMANCE EXPECTATIONS, GRADES, and COURSE ALIGNMENT

Participants must pass each assignment with <u>proficiency</u> using the below. Proficiency indicates that the candidate has met the performance expectations for the course. The rubric will be used for each assignment and feedback will indicate whether or not a candidate has met/or not met the performance expectations.

Mastery	Advanced	Proficient	Basic	Below Basic
100%	90%	80%	70%	0%
Surpasses the assignment expectations in all areas	Surpasses the assignment expectations in some but not all areas	Meets all the assignment expectations	Meets some but not all of the assignment expectations	Does not meet any of the assignment expectations

SLAPAC Assignments and CalAPA assignments are aligned to the same CAPE standards.

EDUC 641x Human Capital and School Organization

PROGRAM STANDARDS AND UNIT/ASSESSMENT ALIGNMENT

Each candidate for the preliminary administrative credential in the School Leadership Academy degree must complete EDUC 641x. This course reflects the Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium Standards for School by the needs of the practicing administrator in the field and aligns with ISLLC, CTC, and CAPE performance expectations. By the end of the program, candidates, as demonstrated by their competencies in performing the standards using formative assessments, will have met ISLLC, CTC, and CAPE performance expectations.

Below is a table outlining the alignment across the units and assessments (in no particular order) with the corresponding ISSLC, CTC, and CAPE expectations. It is then noted if that standard and/or performance expectation is Practiced (P) or Assessed (A).

INTERS	INTERSTATE SCHOOL LEADERS LICENSURE CONSORTIUM (ISLLC) STANDARDS, CALIFORNIA						
	TEACHING COMMISSION STANDARDS (CTC), &						
	CALIFO	RNIA ADMINIST	RATIVE PERFORM	MANC	E EXPECTATIONS (CA	APE)	
EDUC 641 ISSLC CTC CAPE P/A Description Assu							
Learning						ſ	

Unit 1: Assessing Human Capital for the Development of Communities of	Standard 1 Shared Vision	Vision of Learning	1: Development and implementation of a Shared Vision (CAPE 1A-1C)	P	Facilitate collaborative professional learning within a community of practice	CalAPA: Leadership Cycle 2
Practice Unit 3: Recruitment and Selection of Teachers and Staff						
Unit 2: Building Consensus and a Team Unit 4: Performance Evaluation Unit 5: Personnel Placement and Feedback Unit 6: Developing Teacher Leaders	Standard 2 School Culture & Instructional Program	Standard 11 Student Learning and Professional Growth	2: Instructional Leadership (CAPE 2A- 2D)	A	Facilitate collaborative professional learning within a community of practice	CalAPA: Leadership Cycle 2

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT DUE DATES

You are responsible for uploading your work to not only D2L but also the Pearson System as part of the CalAPA. Please review all assignment expectations and submission requirements well in advance to any due dates. While we have opted to align coursework to the CalAPA, the assignments are not identical to one another. It is your responsibility to refer to CalAPA rubrics and templates to ensure that work you complete as coursework is aligned to the requirements of the CalAPA. By the end of the semester, you will submit your final Leadership Cycle 2 work to the Pearson System for assessment. Refer to the Appendix of your Course Syllabus for assignment details; refer to your CalAPA handbook for the CalAPA requirements.

Assignment	Due Date to	Cal APA	Due Date to
			Pearson
	D2L	Requirement	System
Assignment 1: Interview with a	End of	Step 1:	
Leader—Role of Collaborative	Wk1	Investigate	N/A
Professional Learning			
Assignment 2: Professional Learning	End of	Step 1:	End of Week
Context	Wk2	Investigate	6
Assignment 3: Establishing a Community	End of	Step 1:	End of Week
of Practice—Selecting	Wk4	Investigate	6
an Area of Educational Focus			
Assignment 4: Facilitation of Community	End of		End of Week
of Practice Meetings—	Wk7	Step 2: Plan	8
Developing a Plan (Meeting 1)		Step 3: Act	
Assignment 5: Facilitation of Community	End of	•	End of Week
of Practice Meetings—	Wk10	Step 3: Act	14
Monitoring and Adjusting the Plan			
(Meeting 2)			
Assignment 6: Facilitation of Community	End of		End of Week
of Practice Meetings—	Wk11	Step 3: Act	14

	Planning for Final Assessment of						
	Intervention (Meeting 3)			<u> </u>			
	Assignment 7: Facilitation of Community	End of		End of Week			
	of Practice Meetings—	Wk13	Step 3: Act	14			
	Evaluate the Process, Progress, and Results						
	(Meeting 4)		Step 4: Reflect				
		End of		End of Week			
	Assignment 8: Reflection	Wk15	Step 4: Reflect	15			
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Other assignments:							
	Assignment	See course syllabus for due dates and the Appendix for assignment					
	9.5 Reflection: Resource Reallocation						
	11.						
	6 Memo: Discipline and Policy						
	12.						
	7 Reflection: Negotiations	details.					
	13.						
	5 Memo: Teacher Dismissal						
	14.						
	6 Reflection: Master Schedule						
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