MACTE Accreditation Process

Applicant Status

Teacher Education Program (TEP) summits their intent for Initial Accreditation by sending in their application, along with the application fee. The application is reviewed for completeness and approved by the office. The "Applicant in Good Standing" status allows the program to advertise as such, while completing their Self Study to be submitted to the MACTE office within two years from application date approval.

Advertisement by the TEP as an "Applicant in Good Standing" must contain a disclaimer stating "Applicant in Good Standing" status in no way determines the outcome of the accreditation decision by MACTE. The MACTE Office will monitor the progress of the TEP's writing progress to ensure a timely submission of the Self Study within two years of the application. If the Self Study has not been submitted within the two-year time frame MACTE reserves the right to withdraw the applicant's application.

Candidate Status

The MACTE office will review the Self Study submitted for Initial Accreditation to ensure that the required standards have been addressed and will schedule an on-site visit by a qualified OSET team to verify that the information included in the Self Study can be verified and is in practice at the TEP site. Upon notification by the MACTE office that an on-site visit has been scheduled the TEP may advertise they are a "Candidate in Good Standing"

Advertisement by the TEP as a "Candidate in Good Standing" must contain a disclaimer stating "Candidate in Good Standing" status in no way determines the outcome of the accreditation decision by MACTE". Once the on-site visit has taken place, and the report and final documentation has been sent to the MACTE office, the MACTE Board of Directors, which is recognized by the USDE as the accrediting body, will schedule the accreditation deliberation of the case.

Accredited

The MACTE Board deliberates the TEP's case for accreditation. The Board will determine and make a decision with regard to Initial Accreditation status.

Upon notification of the accreditation decision by the MACTE Board of Directors a TEP may advertise their Accreditation status.