

**Tift College of Education
Graduation without Certification
Statement of Agreement**

In accordance with the policy outlined in the Tift College of Education Teacher Education Handbook, I, _____, am applying to receive a degree in Education (Student's Name and Student ID Number) without certification. I have read the policy as stated in the Teacher Education Handbook and submit that:

Read and initial all that apply:

- _____ a. teaching is no longer my chosen profession, but I wish to complete an education degree without certification rather than changing major.
- _____ b. my career goals require a degree in education without teacher certification.
- _____ c. my circumstances prohibit loss of employment while student teaching. *
** If choice 'c' is checked, page 2 of this document must be completed.*

I have read the policies regarding graduation without certification (attached), and I understand these policies. I have complied with the requirements listed below:

- _____ a. notified my advisor in writing of my intent and my rationale for taking this action (please enclose copy of notice when returning this form).
- _____ b. met with my advisor to determine the coursework necessary to substitute for the 15 hour requirement for student teaching (please enclose a list of the selected courses. The list must be dated and signed by the student and by the advisor)

I further understand that by choosing to receive the Bachelor's Degree in Education without certification that I am not eligible for recommendation for certification by the Tift College of Education until such time that all certification requirements have been successfully completed through the Tift College of Education.

Student's Name (Print)	Student's Signature	Date
Advisor's Name (Print)	Advisor's Signature	Date
Director, Field Experience & Certification	Director's Signature	Date
Dean's Name (Print)	Dean's Signature	Date

Option A: Mentored Practicum and/or Internship

I, _____, understand that the following parameters
(Name and ID Number)
apply to choice 'C'

Students who choose to enroll/re-enroll in the Tift College of Education to participate in the Mentored Practicum and/or Internship for certification purposes must:

1. Apply for admission/re-admission to Mercer University through the Admissions Office.
2. Apply for admission to the Certification Only Program in the Tift College of Education.
3. Meet all course requirements for certification that are in place at the time of enrollment/re-enrollment.
4. Meet all requirements for the Mentored Practicum/Internship; such requirements include, but are not limited to, passing Praxis II/GACE II test scores, employment in a school system in the appropriate certification area, a non-renewable certificate issued by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission in the appropriate certification area.
5. Submit the application packet for the Mentored Practicum or the Internship by the posted deadline.

Option B: Student Teaching

I, _____, understand that the following parameters
(Name and ID Number)
apply to choice 'C'

Students who choose to enroll/re-enroll in the Tift College of Education to participate in the Mentored Practicum and/or Internship for certification purposes must:

1. Apply for admission/re-admission to Mercer University through the Admissions Office.
2. Apply for admission to the Certification Only Program in the Tift College of Education.
3. Meet all course requirements for certification that are in place at the time of enrollment/re-enrollment.
4. Meet all requirements for Student Teaching; such requirements include, but are not limited to, full admission status in the appropriate Teacher Education Program, completion of all courses required for certification in the appropriate field.
5. Submit the application for Student Teaching by the posted deadline.