

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
PROFESSIONAL TRAINING OPTION (PTO) PROGRAM  
REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIAL PROGRAM APPROVAL STANDARDS**

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**A program application for Professional Training Option (PTO) program shall contain the following:**

**Standard 2. Quality of Content Knowledge and Teaching Methods**

The program ensures that candidates and completers are prepared to instruct prekindergarten through grade12 (P-12) students to meet high standards for academic achievement.

**Indicator 2.1. Uniform Core Curricula:** The program will instruct and assess each candidate's mastery of the Uniform Core Curricula (UCC) in the candidate's certification subject area(s) during coursework and field experience(s).

The program shall provide:

- FEAPs Curriculum Map that shows what courses address and assess each of the FEAPs descriptors;
- Reading Matrix for reading competency two (2); and
- Description of the integrated school-based observation/participation field experiences associated with required coursework.

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**SCORING GUIDE**

**Each indicator shall receive a rating of Acceptable or Unacceptable based on the narrative description and documentation in the program application. The indicator ratings are as follows:**

**Acceptable = A**

The evidence presented in the program application is clearly described and in alignment with the indicator. The narrative is well-articulated, realistic, and contains all required elements. Documentation is complete.

**Unacceptable = U**

The evidence presented in the program application is incomplete, not clearly described or is not in alignment with the indicator. The narrative or supporting documents do not address or satisfy the described elements.

<b>OVERALL RATING SUMMARY FOR INDICATORS</b>			
STANDARD 2		INDICATOR 2.1	

Enter an **A** or **U** for each indicator based on the rating scale above.

**SUMMATIVE RATING**

**The results of the ratings for all indicators within each standard will determine the summative rating:**

**Approval– Program has earned “acceptable” for all indicators.**

**Denied – Program has earned “unacceptable” on one or more indicators.**