THE NUMBER OF P-12 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN OKLAHOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS HAS GROWN SINCE THE EARLY 1990S.

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THE NEEDS OF P-12 STUDENTS HAVE ALSO GROWN.

GROWTH IN STUDENT NEEDS

As Oklahoma’s student population has grown, so have the needs of students and the necessity of schools to adapt to meet these needs.

- Free Lunch Participation: 112%
- Special Education: 47%
- English Language Learners*: 45%


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INCREASING DEMANDS, OVERSATURATION OF STANDARDIZED TESTING, PERCEPTIONS OF DECREASING RESPECT FOR THE PROFESSION AND LOW PAY HAVE BEEN REPORTED AS REASONS CERTIFIED TEACHERS ARE LEAVING THE STATE AND/OR CHOOSING NOT TO TEACH.

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OKLAHOMA TEACHER SHORTAGE AREAS RECOGNIZED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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- Foreign Language
- Mathematics
- Music
- Science
- School Counselor
- School Psychologist
- Special Education

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- Early Childhood
- Elementary
- English
- Foreign Languages
- Mathematics
- Science
- School Counselor
- School Psychologist
- Social Studies
- Special Education

2014 - 2015:
- Business
- Early Childhood
- Elementary
- English
- Foreign Languages
- Mathematics
- Physical Education
- Science
- School Counselor
- School Psychologist
- Social Studies
- Special Education

2015 - 2016:
- Art
- Early Childhood
- Elementary
- English
- Family/Cons Science
- Foreign Languages
- Mathematics
- Music
- Physical Education
- Science
- School Counselor
- School Psychologist
- Social Studies
- Special Education

2016 – 2019:
- Art
- Business
- Career/Tech Ed
- Computer Science
- Early Childhood
- Elementary
- English
- Foreign Languages
- Health Education
- Humanities
- Library Science
- Mathematics
- Music
- School Counselor
- Science
- Social Studies
- Special Education

2019 - 2021:
- Art
- Business
- Career/Tech Ed
- Early Childhood
- English
- Foreign Languages
- Health Education
- Humanities
- Library Science
- Mathematics
- Music
- School Counselor
- Science
- Social Studies
- Special Education
THE NUMBER OF EMERGENCY CERTIFIED TEACHERS IN OKLAHOMA HAS INCREASED SIGNIFICANTLY AND IS CONTINUING TO DO SO.

*Note: The actual number of emergency certificates increased to 3,091 for 2019.
A SUMMARY OF TEACHER SHORTAGE FACTS...

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• The state Board of Education has issued a record number of emergency teaching certificates this year.

• The projected demand for teachers in Oklahoma will continue to outpace the supply.

• Special education, elementary, high school science, high school math, and middle school math are the most difficult teaching positions to fill.

• Oklahoma is not producing enough foreign language, math or science teachers to replace those who are leaving.

• 11 out of every 100 Oklahoma teachers leave the state or the profession every year.

• 17% of new teachers in Oklahoma leave the state or the profession after their first year.

• 10% of Oklahoma teachers with a decade of experience leave the state or profession every year.
A SUMMARY OF TEACHER SHORTAGE FACTS...

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- Oklahoma has significant competition from the private sector and from surrounding states.
- A high percentage of out-of-state students (76%) who completed teacher preparation programs in Oklahoma in recent years never worked in Oklahoma public schools.
- Oklahoma’s special education student-to-teacher ratio is almost 23:1.
- The projected demand for teachers in Oklahoma will continue to outpace the supply.
UCO graduates are entering a profession in which there is demand overall, and in some certification areas very high demand.

Our P-12 school partner feedback, Oklahoma State School Boards Association (OSSBA) data, the USDE teacher shortage list, and the increasing need for Oklahoma districts to hire emergency certified teachers demonstrate the supply is not keeping up with the demand for teachers.
ON THE SUPPLY SIDE, THE NUMBER OF TEACHER PREPARATION CERTIFICATION COMPLETERS FROM UCO CONTINUES TO DECLINE. THIS TREND IS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT IS HAPPENING ACROSS THE STATE AND NATION.

DATA FROM THE UCO TEACHER EDUCATION SERVICES OFFICE, MARCH 2020

*Note: Completer numbers for 2019-2020 include graduates granted one year temporary certification due to closed testing centers.
ON THE SUPPLY SIDE, THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS APPLYING TO AND ADMITTED TO TEACHER EDUCATION AT UCO CONTINUES TO DECLINE, THROUGH THE RATE HAS SLOWED.

DATA FROM THE UCO TEACHER EDUCATION SERVICES OFFICE, MARCH 2021

*Note: Does not include pending status resulting from closed testing centers.
### UCO Teacher Education Completers by Subject Area
**Fall 2012 – Spring 2020 (N=1,490)**

*Data from the UCO Teacher Education Services Office, August 2019*

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Total number of completers: 1,496
Self-report data from UCO student teaching completers from fall 2017 – spring 2020 indicate that about 30% were offered a full-time teaching position prior to completing student teaching/internship and by graduation day ($n = 130$ of $425$; 30.5%).

Additionally, self-report data from fall 2019 and spring 2020 ($n = 158$) indicate that...

- 73.9% plan to teach in a public school (within 60 miles of UCO).
- 6.3% plan to teach in a public school in Oklahoma but outside of the 60 mile radius.
- 1.3% plan to teach at a private school in Oklahoma.
- 15.9% plan to teach outside of the state inside the U.S.
- 0.6% plan to teach outside of the U.S.

Self-report data is consistent with previous years except for “plan to teach out of state inside the U.S.”, which is substantial higher for 2019-2020.
UCO TEACHER EDUCATION RECOMMENDED 2016-2019
EMPLOYMENT BY DISTRICTS FOR 2019*

TLE DATA FROM THE OKLAHOMA DATA GOVERNANCE COUNCIL, 2019
(*NOTE: THE CHART BELOW IS AN UNDERESTIMATION SINCE WE DID NOT RECEIVE TLE DATA FOR ALL COMPLETERS.)

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Reininger (2012) claimed that nationally 61% of those who teach will work within 20 miles of the high school from which they graduated. Given that most of UCO’s incoming freshmen and transfer students come from the OKC metropolitan area [see the next two slides], we are deliberately developing “pipelines” and strong partnerships with metro P-12 schools and community colleges for recruiting prospective teachers, training them, and then assisting them with employment opportunities back in local schools.

Although the order changes slightly from year-to-year, the following schools are consistently in the Top 10 from which UCO draws students. All of the 10 top feeder high schools for UCO freshmen are in the OKC metro area. These schools provided 628 freshmen during the fall 2018 semester.

**Top Ten Feeder High Schools (New Freshmen):**
Although the order changes slightly from year-to-year, the following colleges and universities are consistently in the Top 10 from which UCO draws transfer students. 5* of the top 10 feeder schools for UCO transfer students are in the OKC metro area and represent 75% (1091 of 1453) of these transfers.

**Top Ten Feeder Colleges (New Transfers):**

OCCC* (419) Rose State* (278) OSU-OKC* (202) OU (11057)* Tulsa CC (87) OSU-Main (82)

Redlands CC* (82) Northern OK (79) SWOSU (57) Seminole State (57)
UCO “PIPELINE” INITIATIVES

- Student Teaching “Early Release” Provision for Partner Schools
  https://www.uco.edu/ceps/teacher-education-services/urban-teachers-preparation-academy/

- Urban Teacher Preparation Academy (UTPA)
  https://www.uco.edu/ceps/teacher-education-services/urban-teachers-preparation-academy/

- Bilingual Teacher Pipeline Program (BTPP)
  http://okckids.com/programs/diversity-pipeline-project

- Diversity Pipeline Program (DPP)
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- Prospective Teachers Academy (PTA)
  https://www.uco.edu/ceps/teacher-education-services/prospective-teachers-academy/

- Teach 2 Reach
  https://www.chocrawnation.com/T2R

- Upward Bound
  https://www.uco.edu/student-resources/federal-education-programs/

- Black Male Initiative
  https://www.uco.edu/student-resources/odi/student-retention-initiatives/black-male-initiative

- TeacherPath Program
  https://www.uco.edu/ceps/departments/esfr/uco-teacherpath-program/

- Student Support Services TEACH Initiative
  https://www.uco.edu/student-resources/federal-education-programs/sss/
Please contact the Teacher Education Services office at UCO: (405) 974-5710.

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