

Criminal History Policy: Criminal Background Check and Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation

Texas Certification seeking applicants/candidates must read and sign this acknowledgement form

Pursuant to the Texas Education Code (TEC), §22.083, candidates seeking certification must undergo a criminal history background check prior to employment as an educator and pursuant to TEC, §22.0835, prior to clinical teaching.

OLLU's Texas certification/educator preparation program requires that applicants and candidates have a clear criminal history background check (nationwide) PRIOR to admittance into the educator preparation program. Applicants with certain criminal convictions or deferred adjudications may not be eligible for placement. Applicants with certain cr6sCh1 0 0 1 re 14abW

course and/or program of study and may not be able to complete their course, certification and/or degree requirements. In addition, if upon successful completion of an educational program a candidate is convicted of certain offenses they may become ineligible for certification/certification examination. Please refer to Texas Occupation Code, Chapter 53, Section 53.001-53.105 and/or [Texas Administrative Code Chp. 249, Subchapter B §249.16](#) for further clarification of offenses leading to ineligibility of certification.

I have read and understand the Criminal History Background Check and Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation information contained above regarding Texas Occupation Code, Chapter 53, Section 53.001-53.105 and/or [Texas Administrative Code Chp. 249, Subchapter B §249.16](#) and potential ineligibility for admission, placement, continuation of program, degree completion and/or certification for certain criminal convictions or deferred adjudications.

Applicant/Candidate Signature: _____

Date: _____

Approved EDUC and TECC – 9/2019