

Update from SCALE, May 18, 2015

Dear Colleague,

The Stanford Center for Assessment, Learning, and Equity (SCALE) has updated the edTPA handbooks with minor changes for the 2015–16 operational year. These changes were informed by faculty supporting candidates, scorers and scoring trainers, and a thorough review of candidate performance data.

The changes update handbook directions, prompts, required artifacts, rubric language, and directions to make edTPA expectations clearer to candidates and programs. Additionally, the errata from last year are corrected in the new handbooks. Rubric constructs as well as the common three-task architecture are unchanged across all 27 fields.

As requested by faculty and programs, the 2015 handbooks will be released earlier than in previous years to support edTPA members as they prepare their curricula for the fall. Handbooks will be released in three groups: mid-May, early June, and mid-July, as listed below. edTPA members may access the 2015 handbooks in the Resource Library through edtpa.aacte.org.

A list of changes to each handbook will be posted in the Resource Library by June 1.

Note: Candidates who will submit their portfolios for official scoring by the final August 2015 deadline should continue to use the 2014 handbooks and templates. Candidates who will submit their portfolios beginning in September 2015 must use the 2015 edTPA handbooks and templates. Candidates will receive the updated 2015 templates by September 2015. Detailed information regarding the release of operational 2015 templates for candidate use will be provided in early June.

Handbook (National and Washington as applicable)	Date available through the AACTE Resource Library
<i>Group 1</i>	
Elementary Education	mid-May 2015
Elementary Literacy	mid-May 2015
Elementary Mathematics	mid-May 2015
Secondary English Language Arts	mid-May 2015
Secondary History/Social Studies	mid-May 2015
Secondary Mathematics	mid-May 2015

Secondary Science	mid-May 2015
World Languages	mid-May 2015
Group 2	
Classical Languages	early June 2015
Early Childhood Education	early June 2015
English as an Additional Language	early June 2015
Literacy Specialist	early June 2015
Middle Childhood English Language Arts	early June 2015
Middle Childhood Mathematics	early June 2015
Middle Childhood Science	early June 2015
Middle Childhood History/Social Studies	early June 2015
Performing Arts	early June 2015
Group 3	
Agricultural Education	mid-July 2015
Business Education	mid-July 2015
Educational Technology Specialist	mid-July 2015
Family and Consumer Science	mid-July 2015

Health Education	mid-July 2015
Library Specialist	mid-July 2015
Physical Education	mid-July 2015
Special Education	mid-July 2015
Technology and Engineering Education	mid-July 2015
Visual Arts	mid-July 2015

Please contact stanfordscale@stanford.edu with any questions about the handbook updates.

Thank you very much for your ongoing partnership.