



## Memo

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**Date:** February 10, 2014

**To:** Deans, Faculties of Education

**From:** Michael Salvatori, OCT  
Chief Executive Officer and Registrar

**Subject:** **Transition Provisions for Teacher Candidates Enrolled in  
Teacher Education Programs**

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In July of last year, I sent the attached memo describing the impact of the implementation of the enhanced teacher education program on those currently enrolled in teacher education programs. This dealt specifically with those enrolled in concurrent or multi-session programs.

Our regulation changes will, in fact, be broadened to also address those in certain consecutive teacher education programs. When filed, the regulation will include additional provisions explaining that an applicant for College certification who, as of August 31, 2014, was admitted to a program of professional education that was accredited by the College on that date and who, as of August 31, 2015, had not completed the program but was still enrolled in it and had completed at least one-half of the program, will be eligible to apply based on the requirements that were in place at the time the candidate began his or her program. Such candidates would need to complete the program and be certified before September 1, 2022.

Naturally, this transition provision would be subject to universities' program and course availability, and any other regulatory requirements in place concerning teacher certification.

Thank you for your assistance in communicating this information and supporting teacher candidates who will be affected by the enhanced program transition.

Candidates are also encouraged to obtain updates from the College website at [www.oct.ca](http://www.oct.ca).

If you have any questions relating to the implementation of the enhanced teacher education program, you can contact Michelle Longlade, OCT, Director, Standards of Practice and Accreditation by email at [mlonglade@oct.ca](mailto:mlonglade@oct.ca), or by telephone at 416-961-8800, Ext. 870 (toll-free in Ontario at 1-888-534-2222).

Sincerely,

Michael Salvatori, OCT  
Chief Executive Officer and Registrar

Attach.

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## Memo

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**Date:** July 25, 2013  
**To:** Deans, Faculties of Education  
**From:** Michael Salvatori, OCT  
Chief Executive Officer and Registrar  
**Subject:** **Transition Provisions for Current Teacher Candidates**

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With the recent confirmation of the September 2015 implementation of Ontario's expanded teacher education program, a number of questions have arisen about the impact of the changes on candidates currently enrolled in teacher education programs.

The College will be developing a number of regulatory amendments to support the implementation of the expanded teacher education program. In the interim, faculties may wish to communicate that the College will be developing regulations, including transition clauses, to clarify its intentions for certification requirements for students who are currently enrolled in a program of professional education.

These regulations, once filed, will specify that a person who begins (but has not completed) an Ontario program of professional education on or before August 31, 2015, would be eligible for College registration based on the requirements that were in place at the time the candidate began his or her program. This will apply to candidates enrolled in concurrent, or multi session programs and who are completing these programs after the requirements for the expanded teacher education program are in effect. Regulatory provisions may be developed to clarify a date in which pre-2015 concurrent or multi-session programs must be completed.

This may also apply to some regular program candidates. Naturally, this transition provision would be subject to universities' program and course availability, and any other regulatory requirements in place concerning teacher certification.

Thank you for your assistance in communicating this information and supporting teacher candidates who will be affected by the enhanced program transition. Candidates are also encouraged to obtain updates from the College website at [www.oct.ca](http://www.oct.ca), and we will keep you informed of the progress of the proposed regulatory changes throughout our process.

Sincerely,

Michael Salvatori, OCT  
Chief Executive Officer and Registrar

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