

**TITLE: Modification of the University of Phoenix-Hawaii Special Education  
Teacher Education Program State Approval of Teacher Education  
Approval**

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The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board approves the following modification to the University of Phoenix-Hawaii's State Approval of Teacher Education (SATE) approval for their Special Education Teacher Education Program:

- The University of Phoenix-Hawaii Special Education Program may allow teacher candidates to declare a program focus of either Special Education Mild/Moderate K-6 or Special Education Mild/Moderate 7-12 in addition to their current program approval for Special Education Mild/Moderate K-12. A letter and matrix from the University of Phoenix-Hawaii explaining program modifications to accommodate a K-6 or 7-12 focus are attached.
- Candidates completing the Special Education Mild/Moderate program with a K-6 focus, including student teaching at the K-6 level, will be recommended for licensure in Special Education Mild/Moderate K-6.
- Candidates completing the Special Education Mild/Moderate program with a 7-12 emphasis, including student teaching at the 7-12 level, will be recommended for licensure in Special Education Mild/Moderate 7-12.
- Candidates recommended for Special Education Mild/Moderate K-12 after May 31, 2010 must have student teaching experience at both the elementary and secondary levels.

The Board makes this modification to address the needs of teacher candidates who are employed full-time as Special Education teachers and unable to accommodate placements at both K-6 and 7-12 levels as required for recommendation for the Special Education Mild/Moderate K-12 license.

A letter shall be sent to the University of Phoenix-Hawaii Campus Education Department on behalf of the Board to communicate this decision.

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**Referred to:** Teacher Education Committee