Evidence 2023.2.1.6: DEPR-UPRM EPP Educational Partnership for offerings of teachers

Evidence Overview

This document stands as a testament to the collaborative efforts between the Puerto Rico Department of Education (DOE) and the UPRM Education Preparation Program (EPP). It conveys gratitude to Dr. Santiago-Méndez and the entire team at the DOE's Office of Teacher Certifications for their continued support and collaboration in various initiatives aimed at enhancing education in Puerto Rico. Over the years, this partnership has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to addressing the evolving needs of the Puerto Rico Department of Education. Specifically, your institution has played a crucial role in establishing the pathways for the certification and recertification of our teachers. This contribution has not gone unnoticed, and we deeply appreciate the dedication and resources your Teacher Preparation Program (TPP) has invested in this endeavor.

One of the cornerstones of our collaboration is the seamless interaction between the DOE's Teacher Certification Office and the UPRM EPP. This mutual cooperation ensures that the DOE Office can refer candidates to participate in UPRM EPP courses, and in turn, the UPRM EPP tailors its course offerings to align with the specific needs and demands of the DOE. This dynamic relationship has been instrumental in facilitating the professional development of educators in Puerto Rico and has contributed to the advancement of our educational landscape. As we move forward, we have every confidence that this partnership will remain strong and productive. The enduring bond between our organizations is a testament to our shared commitment to the betterment of education in Puerto Rico. We anticipate continued success and growth in our collaborative efforts for the years to come.

CAEP Standards

Alignment

Initial	Advanced
2.1, 2.2	

The Evidence

This document underscores the lasting and successful collaboration between the Puerto Rico Department of Education (DOE) and the UPRM Education Program (EPP) in addressing the evolving needs of teacher certification and enhancing education in Puerto Rico.



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Dr. Santiago-Méndez:

Greetings from all the staff who work in the Office of Teacher Certifications of the Department of Education of Puerto Rico (DOE). Through this communication I reiterate my gratitude towards you for having collaborated in the different initiatives of the Puerto Rico Department of Education. For many years, your institution has responded to the needs of the Puerto Rico Department of Education by tracing the routes for the certification and recertification of our teachers. We recognize that education is changing and that your institution's Teacher Preparation Program (TPP) has the necessary resources.

There is a consistent relationship between the Puerto Rico Department of Education Teacher Certification Office and the UPRM EPP. The DOE Office sends candidates to take the UPRM EPP courses and the UPRM EPP prepares and opens courses and offerings according to their needs and demands.

In the same way we know that we will count on you for the coming years. We recognize that the relationship that unites us is lasting and that it will continue to bring us success.

Cordialmente,

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