

Georgia Southwestern State University  
School of Education  
**Graduate Cohort Applications**  
**PROFESSIONAL PROFILE**  
**Prescribed Format**

**Directions:** Please provide information for each of the nine areas listed below. Please use the exact order and format as provided. This profile will be reviewed in terms of both its content and appropriate use of formal written English.

1. Name and Contact Information

2. Education

Include degrees, universities, and majors. List the highest degree earned first.

3. Teaching Experience and Other Work History

Include all positions held. For teaching and other education positions, list the name of the school, the district, and the grade(s) taught.

4. Learning and Leading Activities and/or Positions

Learning and Leading activities include chairing curriculum committees, planning professional development activities, implementing new teaching strategies, observing and providing feedback to fellow teachers, mentoring colleagues, presenting professionally, serving in lead teacher positions, and other activities and positions that influence others. New teachers can include educational leadership activities from undergraduate or graduate universities.

5. Presentations and Publications

Include any grade, school, or district level presentations or papers completed as part of ongoing educational development. Grant proposals and educational reform efforts can also be included.

6. Professional Memberships

Describe affiliations with any professional educational organizations including, but not limited to: Professional Association of Georgia Educators (PAGE), Georgia Association of Educators (GAE), National Education Association (NEA), and other professional societies or groups.

7. Academic and Professional Honors

Describe any academic and/or professional honors received as a teacher or an education student. This could include teacher of the year, nomination for teacher of the year, graduating with honors, etc.

8. Volunteer and Service Accomplishments

Include any volunteer or service work to benefit others. Focus on the recent past, but also include earlier activities that have had a substantial impact on others. Examples: Foster Parent, Peace Corp Volunteer, Big Brother/Sister, Sunday School Teacher, PTA Leader, etc.

9. Personal Statement

On a separate page, describe your goals as an educator. Include specific instructional, curricular, and/or classroom issues pertaining to your school that may be addressed and/or improved during your enrollment in this program. Include specific reasons why you want to pursue the M.Ed. or Ed.S. degree program at Georgia Southwestern.

**The Professional Profile must be included in your application packet.**