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The Standard of Excellence in Teacher Preparation

Data Expectations for Program Review and Unit Accreditation

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NCATE expects institutions to regularly and systematically collect, compile, aggregate, summarize, analyze, and use data throughout the full (five to seven years) accreditation cycle between onsite visits. For the purposes of program review and unit accreditation, only a few years of data are required. The tables below provide guidelines on the number of years that an institution is expected to provide in program report(s), institutional report and at the time of the onsite visit. The institution is likely to have collected data for a longer period of time for some assessments such as state test scores, but will have collected data for a shorter period of time for a new or revised assessment. The Board of Examiners (BOE) team should see evidence during the onsite visit that the institution continues to collect and use assessment data over time for decision-making purposes.

Data reported on assessments in the **program report**(s) for national recognition should include a minimum of two applications of the selected assessments. Data reported on assessments in the **institutional report** (IR) for unit accreditation should be for the most recent 12-month period. When the BOE team conducts the **onsite visit**, it should find evidence that the institution has three years of data for continuing accreditation, and two years of data for first accreditation. Institutions that do not meet this minimum requirement should receive an area for improvement (AFI) under Standard 2 indicating that the unit is not regularly and/or systematically collecting and summarizing assessment data.

Institutions Seeking Continuing Accreditation
Onsite Visit Scheduled for Fall 2010 and Beyond

Amount of Data Expected	
Program Report(s)	A Minimum of Two Applications of the Selected Assessments
Institutional Report	Most Recent 12-Month Period
Onsite Visit	Three Years

Institutions Seeking Accreditation for the First Time
Onsite Visit Scheduled for Fall 2010 and Beyond

Amount of Data Expected	
Program Report(s)	A Minimum of Two Applications of the Selected Assessments
Institutional Report	Most Recent 12-Month Period
Onsite Visit	Two Years

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