



Statement of Disclosure Concerning all Prior Convictions

It is a requirement of the SC Department of Education (SCDE) and Clemson's College of Education that prior to being admitted to the professional level of a teacher preparation program we collect a statement of disclosure concerning all prior convictions, including felonies and misdemeanors.* However, the College of Education collects this disclosure upon initial admission to a teacher preparation program or when changing majors into a teacher preparation program. Early collection allows students ample time to determine if a disclosed conviction will prevent them from completing the program and obtaining a SC teaching license.

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Date	CUID

Full Name (print)	
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Email	Major

Advisor	

Please check the appropriate response below. If you check "I HAVE" you may wish to contact the SCDE Office of Educator Services (certification@ed.sc.gov, 803-896-0325) to determine if any prior conviction could impact your ability to obtain a SC teaching license. You may also wish to contact Mrs. York in the Office of Field and Clinical Partnerships and Outreach (esyork@clemson.edu, 864-656-2683). It is important to note that the ultimate decision regarding your ability to obtain a SC teaching license, based on your criminal record, resides with the SC Department of Education and not with Clemson University's College of Education.

- _____ I HAVE NOT had any prior convictions including felonies and misdemeanors.*
_____ I HAVE a prior conviction which may include a felony or misdemeanor. *

Explain:

Signature

**Misdemeanor: a lesser crime punishable by a fine and/or county jail time for up to one year. Misdemeanors are distinguished from felonies, which can be punished by a state prison term. They are tried in the lowest local course such as municipal, police or justice courts. Typical misdemeanors include: petty theft, disturbing the peace, simple assault and battery, drunk driving without injury to others, drunkenness in public, various traffic violations, public nuisances and some crimes which can be charged as either a felony or misdemeanor depending on the circumstances and the discretion of the District Attorney.*

Felony: 1) a crime sufficiently serious to be punishable by death or a term in state or federal prison, as distinguished from a misdemeanor which is only punishable by confinement to county or local jail and/or a fine. 2) a crime carrying a minimum term of one year or more in state prison since a year or less can be served in county jail.