Candidate’s Name: __________________________
Issued to candidate on _____________ by ____________

CLASS AA PROGRAM CHECKLIST FOR TEACHING FIELD

Institution: UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM

BIOLOGY
Program: Educational Specialist Degree
Total Hours: 30-33
Date Approved: 1/8/2019
Date Expires: 6/21/2021
Revisions: 2/7/2020

Teaching Field
(At least 1/3 of the program shall be teaching field courses)
Advisor-approved Biology courses at 500+ level 12

Curriculum and Instruction
EDC 707 Introduction to Teacher Leadership 3
EDC 711 Analysis and Evaluation of Teaching 3

Diversity
EDC 732 Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Instruction 3

Research
EPR 596 Intro to Qualitative Methods in Educational Research 3
Take one of the following courses
EPR 608 Statistical Methods and Action Research (3 credit hours)
EHS 720 Individual Research in Education (3 credit hours)

Elective
One of the following options, to be approved in advance by advisor:
EPR 594 Introduction to Educational Research Design 3
500+ level course in the teaching field (3 credit hours)
600+ level course in education, e.g., ECT, ECY, EDC, EDF, EDR, ERT, EESL, EHS, EPR (3 credit hours)
National Board Certification in Biology transferred in as EHS 680 National Board Certification (3 credit hours)

Survey of Special Education Coursework 0-3
(required if not previously completed): ECY 600 Introduction to Exceptional Learners (3 credit hours)

Program Admission Requirements for Class AA Certification in Biology Education
In addition to meeting the requirements for admission to the Graduate School, a candidate must meet requirements for unconditional admission to the Biology Education Program. To be eligible for unconditional admission to this Class AA certification program, a candidate must hold a valid Alabama master's level professional educator certificate in Biology Education (or else Class B in Biology and Class A in ESOL).

Please Note: If an individual is unconditionally admitted to this Class AA program based on a valid bachelor's level professional educator certification from another state, this individual must hold valid Alabama Class A certification in Biology Education before completing this Class AA program in Biology Education and subsequently applying for Alabama certification at the Class AA level in Biology Education.

ALSDE Requirements for Class AA Certification in Biology Education
Prospective students should NOT begin any coursework without first seeking advisement from the Department of Curriculum and Instruction (call 205-934-5371). Students who ignore this admonition assume responsibility for their own mistakes.

Once a candidate has completed checklist requirements and has met all admission, exit, and certification requirements, the candidate will be eligible for Class AA certification in Biology Education. To be eligible for this certification, the candidate must:

- submit a completed application for certification during the last term of enrollment in the Class AA Biology Education Program (and no later than 60 calendar months following completion of this degree program);
- successfully complete all courses on the Class AA program checklist, meet the criteria of UAB’s Graduate School for completing the corresponding degree program, and, as of July, 1, 2017, earn a minimum GPA of 3.5 for all courses on this Class AA checklist;
- possess a Class A Professional Certificate in the Biology Education Program; and
- meet all requirements for the Alabama Educator Certification Assessment Program (AECAP).

Dean of Education: __________________________
Date: ________________