**First & Last Name: Date:**

**I am seeking a teaching certificate in (check one):**

**SPED (stand-alone)  ELEM (stand-alone)  ELL & ELEM (dual)**

Please respond to all the questions below. In your responses, provide comments and examples that might directly connect to the students you would serve in your field experience and as a teacher***.***

Responses should be typed, no more than 250 words per question, double-spaced. You may type directly into this form or create a new document.

1. **Why are you seeking a career as a teacher? In your response, refer to specific experiences that illustrate your passion for and/or skill as a teacher.**
2. **What is your experience with the community in which you would be serving (parents, students, teachers, district, region, etc.)? What do you see as the strengths and challenges of the community in relation to education?**
3. **What is your experience with diversity, equity and inclusion? Why is it important for educators to be committed to diversity, equity and inclusion?**
4. **What makes you a strong candidate for ESD-U? What are your skills and dispositions that will support your success in completing the program and successfully serving students in a learning environment?**