

## **Teacher Certification Disclaimer**

- 1. I understand that SUNY Empire State College does not offer an undergraduate program leading directly to certification as a public school teacher or for other public school service requiring a New York state certificate.
- 2. I understand that the New York State Education Department is the sole source of accurate information concerning assessment of an individual's credentials and those requirements that he or she must meet to be certified individually. I also understand that I cannot meet the requirements in undergraduate study at Empire State College.
- 3. I understand that for individual certification after Feb. 1, 2004, the State Education Department expects an applicant to apply to the Office of Teaching Initiatives (OTI) for an individual evaluation of credentials. This requires submission of an application form, fee, transcripts of college study and certain other documents. Applications may be submitted directly to OTI or through one of the regional certification offices located at the Regional Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES).
- 4. I understand that teaching certification requirements changed Feb. 1, 2004, and I need to follow the requirements that apply to me.
- 5. I am aware that Empire State College does offer a Master of Arts in Teaching for certification of middle and secondary school teachers in selected subject areas, and that further information is available from the School for Graduate Studies.

Student signature

College representative signature (mentor or designee)

Student name (please print)

College representative name (please print)

Date