Section 207 of Title II of the Higher Education Act mandates that the Department of Education collect data on state assessments, other requirements, and standards for teacher certification and licensure, as well as data on the performance of teacher preparation programs. The law requires the Secretary to use these data in submitting an annual report on the quality of teacher preparation to the Congress. The first Secretarial report is due April 7, 2002. Annual state reports to the Secretary are first due on October 7, 2001. Data from institutions with teacher preparation programs are due to states annually, beginning April 7, 2001, for use by states in preparing annual report cards to the Secretary.

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Section II. Program information.

(A) Number of students in the regular teacher preparation program at your institution:

Please specify the number of students in your teacher preparation program during academic year 2007-2008, including all areas of specialization.

1. Total number of students enrolled during 2007-2008: __775_____

(B) Information about supervised student teaching:

2. How many students (in the regular program and any alternative route programs) were in programs of supervised student teaching during academic year 2007-2008? 236
3. Please provide the numbers of supervising faculty who were:

7  Appointed full-time faculty in professional education: an individual who works full time in a school, college, or department of education, and spends at least part of the time in supervision of teacher preparation students.

16  Appointed part-time faculty in professional education and full-time in the institution: any full time faculty member in the institution who also may be supervising or teaching in the teacher preparation program.

13  Appointed part-time faculty in professional education, not otherwise employed by the institution: may be part time university faculty or pre-K-12 teachers who supervise prospective teachers. The numbers do not include K-12 teachers who simply receive a stipend for supervising student teachers. Rather, this third category is intended to reflect the growing trend among institutions of higher education to appoint K-12 teachers as clinical faculty, with the rights and responsibilities of the institution's regular faculty.

Supervising faculty for purposes of this data collection includes all persons who the institution regards as having faculty status and who were assigned by the teacher preparation program to provide supervision and evaluation of student teaching, with an administrative link or relationship to the teacher preparation program.

Total number of supervising faculty for the teacher preparation program during 2007-2008: 36

4. The student/faculty ratio was (divide the total given in B2. by the number given in B3.): 6.56

5. The average number of hours per week required of student participation in supervised student teaching in these programs was: 49 hours. The total number of weeks of supervised student teaching required is 18. The total number of hours required is 720 hours.

(C) Information about state approval or accreditation of teacher preparation programs:

6. Is your teacher preparation program currently approved or accredited by the state?
   ___X__ Yes    _____ No

7. Is your teacher preparation program currently under a designation as “low-performing” by the state (as per section 208 (a) of the HEA of 1998)?    _____ Yes   ___X___ No

NOTE: See appendix A of the manual for the legislative language referring to “low-performing” programs.

Section III. Contextual information (optional).

Please use this space to provide any additional information that describes your teacher preparation program(s). You may also attach information to this questionnaire.

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point teacher education programs share the vision that our students will encounter rich, multi-cultural experiences, varied and meaningful opportunities for experimentation within K-12 classrooms, a sound understanding of educational pedagogy and knowledge of the most current views regarding educational practices. Additionally, we nurture our students in becoming reflective practitioners, capable of anticipating future needs and changes within the professional arena and capable of assuming roles of leadership.
Each of our programs has adopted a framework of Wisconsin Teacher Standards that are woven throughout the students’ course of study. These standards include building a solid understanding of content knowledge, understanding diverse needs of students, understanding accommodations to be made in teaching each child, and understanding design and implementation of on-going assessment practices, and possessing a strong knowledge of pedagogical applications. Students graduating from our programs who are recommended for licensure must demonstrate competence in the knowledge, skills and dispositions as related to each of the ten Wisconsin Teacher Standards.

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point has a 100+ year history in teacher preparation. Teacher certification programs comprise the largest academic interest on campus with the greatest number of teacher certifications in Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education, Exceptional Education, Science Education, Speech Language Pathology, English, English as a Second Language, Physical Education, Family and Consumer Education, Mathematics, Music and Social Studies.

The hub for teacher education programs is the School of Education (SOE), the home of the University’s largest major, elementary education. Elementary education students enter teacher education as juniors, with an average 3.36 grade point, making this the most selective major on campus. Also located in the School are majors in exceptional education and early childhood education as well as teacher certification coursework for all Early Childhood through Adolescent and all Early Adolescent through Adolescent majors. Full time placement in schools for all education fields in 2007-2008 was 60%.

The School sponsors the state’s largest student education organization, Student Wisconsin Education Association, which routinely wins national awards from the National Education Association (NEA), including the single Best Student Chapter in the nation award for seven of the past nine years. In 2005 and 2007, the UWSP Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi was awarded the Academics ACE Award for “Achieving Chapter Excellence,” which is an award given out every other year by the National Chapter of KDP. The School also teaches the largest UWSP graduate program, with over 1,000 teachers enrolled in regular, on-site, or technology-mediated graduate courses.

The School of Education is at the forefront of educational innovation. With grant support of over a $1,000,000, the School has created two projects to support Hmong-American students in pursuing teacher certification and graduate degrees in education. The School houses other innovative programs including: UWSP Site-Based Master’s program and Network for Gifted and Talented. UWSP faculty participate in creative use of distance and Internet for class delivery and service activities. The School has recently developed and been approved to offer an on-line masters program for teachers. A recent survey revealed that over 1,200 K-12 teachers and 6,000 school-aged students were involved in UWSP enrichment programs in any given year.
Section IV. Certification.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this report is accurate and complete and conforms to the definitions and instructions used in the *Higher Education Act, Title II: Reporting Reference and User Manual*.

______________________________ (Signature)

______________________________ Name of responsible institutional representative for teacher preparation program

______________________________ Title

Certification of review of submission:

______________________________ (Signature)

______________________________ Name of President/Chief Executive (or designee)

______________________________ Title