On April 20, 2011 the Department posted Dear Colleague Letter GEN-11-10 providing institutions with guidance on the new gainful employment program regulatory requirements. This Electronic Announcement corrects the information provided in the Dear Colleague Letter related to teacher certification programs at all types of institutions.

The following paragraph appears on Page 2 and Page 3 of GEN-11-10 in the sections that specify what educational programs are considered to be GE Programs.

"Teacher certification programs, including both programs that result in a certificate awarded by the institution and those where the institution itself does not provide a certificate but which consist of a collection of course work necessary for the student to receive a State professional teaching credential or certification."

The entire paragraph above is replaced with the following:

"Teacher certification programs that result in a certificate awarded by the institution."

Therefore, teacher certification programs where the institution itself does not provide a certificate but which consist of a collection of course work necessary for the student to receive a State professional teaching credential or certification are NOT gainful employment programs and therefore NOT subject to the GE Programs' disclosure and reporting requirements.

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