

## Claflin University School of Education

# Call Me MISTER

### Program Application

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is a collaboration between **Claflin University** and Clemson University to recruit, train, and certify elementary teachers in the public schools of South Carolina. The mission of Call Me MISTER (acronym for **M**entors **I**nstructing **S**tudents **T**oward **E**ffective **R**ole **M**odels) Initiative is to increase the pool of available teachers from a broader more diverse background, particularly among the State's lowest performing elementary schools. The Call Me MISTER program is contributing to the talent pool of excellent teachers by identifying and supporting young men who are literally touching the future by teaching children. The program provides: book assistance, performance-based stipends, an academic support system to help ensure success, and a cohort system for social and cultural support to designated program participants according to student progress in the program. Applications are reviewed once per academic year on a competitive basis. **Interested students must have declared elementary education or early childhood education as a major, demonstrated record of high scholastic achievement, community involvement, and extracurricular activities.**

### Admissions Requirements

- Applicants must have met the admission requirements of Claflin University prior to seeking admission into the "Call Me MISTER" Program. If you have not received a letter of acceptance to Claflin University, please visit the Office of Admissions page to make sure the necessary materials have been submitted.
- Applicants must have submitted the Claflin University application for admission, high school/college transcript, and an official copy of Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Testing (ACT) scores to the Claflin University Office of Admissions and Student Marketing.
- Although, it is **not required** for this application, we **highly recommend** (if possible) that you attempt to take the Praxis Core Exam. More information can be found at <http://www.ets.org/praxis>
- A 2.75 grade point average (GPA) and declared major in elementary education or early childhood education.

### Application Materials

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Two letters of recommendation: One (1) from a teacher, guidance counselor, advisor, or principal at the high school or college (if transfer student/upperclassman). One (1) from a person of the student's choice who can address the student's involvement in the community and/or potential for entering the teaching profession.
- One essay: One (1) essay that addresses the student's motivation for entering the teaching profession and how the applicant believes the Call Me MISTER program will benefit you as a student and educator?

#### Transfer Students or Current Claflin University Students

- Praxis I Core Exam Scores submitted to Claflin University: Additional test and registration information of the Praxis I Exam can be found on the Educational Testing Services (ETS) website at <http://www.ets.org/praxis>

Following the submission of the items above, an interview will be scheduled with the prospective program participants to ascertain their potential for teaching and their motivations for participation in the program, as well as to provide an opportunity for clarification of any information submitted through the application process.

**Please feel free to contact Dr. Demeturia Kelly at [dekelly@claflin.edu](mailto:dekelly@claflin.edu), 803-535-5316, Bowen 106**



Date Received \_\_\_\_\_



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### Personal Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment/Unit # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Hometown: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Educational Achievement

High School/College Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City of High School/College: \_\_\_\_\_

Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

Prospective Major Once Enrolled at Claflin: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ **Verbal** \_\_\_\_\_ **Math** \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ **Verbal** \_\_\_\_\_ **Math** \_\_\_\_\_

Praxis Core Score: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Not required** but recommended  
Visit <http://www.ets.org/praxis>

I have not taken Praxis 1 Core: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ **Math** \_\_\_\_\_ **Reading** \_\_\_\_\_ **Writing** \_\_\_\_\_

**Graduation/GED Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Credit Hours Completed:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Honors/Awards/Achievement

Please include any extracurricular activities of school, church, and community

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### Application Submission

Please scan **completed** applications to [dekelley@claflin.edu](mailto:dekelley@claflin.edu); or mail **completed** applications to  
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