Preparing the Next Generation of Educators

NIET offers a dedicated portal to accelerate the development of aspiring teachers and leaders. NIET PREP, the Portal for Raising Educator Preparation, is an interactive platform that provides focused professional learning, training, and resources to enhance instruction and support for teacher candidates. The portal houses resources to enhance aspiring teachers’ understanding of effective instruction as well as provides support for the supervisors and mentor teachers who coach them.

NIET PREP provides resources that are designed to support aspiring teachers, including:

**RESOURCE LIBRARY**
Our extensive resource library contains a variety of categorized materials, including informative and ready-to-share videos, interactive training modules, and documents to support aspiring educators. Videos illustrate classroom practice across a range of skill levels and indicators in a split-screen format showing simultaneous teacher and student observation. Many lessons include observer notes, scores, and evidence, providing clear examples of strong instruction.

**OBSERVATION PROCESS**
To provide concrete feedback for aspiring teachers, we supply an observation tool that offers detailed guidance on effective classroom practices. This tool, the NIET Aspiring Teacher Rubric, offers a set of focused performance indicators that define effective pre-service instruction. To enhance the aspiring teacher observation process, we also provide online certification for evaluators. The certification process supports effective implementation of the NIET Aspiring Teacher Rubric.

**DATA MANAGEMENT**
Reports provide an easy-to-use interface for collecting and analyzing aspiring teacher observation data. The search feature allows administrators to review the observation status by observer, program, and indicator in real-time throughout the year.

**PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES**
NIET PREP offers a variety of specialized resources and comprehensive tools for faculty and aspiring teachers looking for high-quality professional learning to guide their efforts. This library includes categorized and searchable presentations, video clips, handbooks, tools outlining course alignment to rubric indicators, supporting research, and associated materials from NIET National Conference training sessions.

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