

Educator Preparation Institutional Report Card  
*for Performance on Required Content Knowledge and Pedagogy Tests*

and

*Responses to the First-Year Teacher Survey created by the*  
Alabama Association of Colleges for Teacher Education

for

University of South Alabama

Administered by the  
Alabama State Department of Education

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## Report Card and Survey Information

### Educator Preparation Institutional Report Card

#### *Performance on Required Content Knowledge and Pedagogy Tests*

To earn an Alabama educator certificate, based on completion of a traditional approach, an applicant must complete an approved program with a prescribed grade point average (GPA) and meet assessment requirements. Prior to September 1, 2018, assessment requirements included a written test of pedagogical knowledge, Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT), and a Praxis content test specific to the teaching field or subject for which certification is sought. Effective September 1, 2018, edTPA, a performance assessment, replaced the PLT. No exceptions are made with regard to these requirements.

#### *Responses to the First-Year Teacher Survey created by the*

### Alabama Association of Colleges for Teacher Education

Alabama Association of Colleges for Teacher Education members developed a survey to be administered electronically to first-year teachers who, during the 2017-2018 school year, completed an Alabama State Board of Education-approved undergraduate (Class B) or alternative master's degree (Class A) program leading to their first or initial Professional Educator Certificate. A companion survey was administered electronically to the employers of those first-year teachers. Data provided in this report include a summary of survey categories and the percentage of first-year teachers who strongly agreed, agreed, disagreed, or strongly disagreed that their program prepared them to teach successfully. The data also provide the percentage of employers who rated their first-year teachers as teacher leader, effective teacher, emerging teacher, or ineffective teacher.

Educator Preparation Institutional Report Card  
Performance on Required Content Knowledge and Pedagogy  
University of South Alabama - Program Information

Program Approval & Accreditation

*Programs Are Approved*    **Yes**

*Programs Are Accredited*    **Yes**

Number of Class B Certificates Earned

**216**

Number of Class A Certificates Earned

**55**

Nationally Recognized Programs

Class B	Music Education	National Association for Schools of Music
Class A	Music Education	National Association for Schools of Music
	School Counselor	Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Progr..

Educator Preparation Institutional Report Card  
 Performance on Required Content Knowledge and Pedagogy  
 University of South Alabama - Class B - Principles of Teaching and Learning

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Subject	Subtest	Number of Test Takers	Number Passed After One Attempt	Percent Passed After One Attempt	Number Passed After Two Attempts	Percent Passed After Two Attempts	Number Passed After Three+ Attempts	Percent Passed After Three+ Attempts
Early Childhood Education	Early Childhood Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Elementary Education	Elementary Education	106	106	100%	0	0%	0	0%
English Language Arts	English Language Arts	11	11	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Health/Physical Education	Health/Physical Education	9	9	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Languages Other Than En..	Languages Other Than English	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mathematics	Mathematics	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Performing Arts	Performing Arts	5	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Sciences	Sciences	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Social Studies	Social Studies	*	4	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Special Education	Special Education	78	78	100%	0	0%	0	0%

Program Approval & Accreditation

Programs Are Approved **Yes**  
 Programs Are Accredited **Yes**

Number of Class B Certificates Earned

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Nationally Recognized Programs

Class B	Music Education	National Association for Schools of Music
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Educator Preparation Institutional Report Card  
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 University of South Alabama - Class B - IN ED Praxis Content Tests

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Subject	Subtest	Number of Test Takers	Number Passed After One Attempt	Percent Passed After One Attempt	Number Passed After Two Attempts	Percent Passed After Two Attempts	Number Passed After Three+ Attempts	Percent Passed After Three+ Attempts
Early Childhood Education	Early Childhood Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Teaching of Reading	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Elementary Education	Multiple Subjects: Reading	105	54	51%	31	30%	20	19%
	Teaching of Reading	106	85	80%	14	13%	7	7%
Health/Physical Education	Health/Physical Education	9	8	89%	1	11%	0	0%
Special Education	Core Knowledge/Application	78	77	99%	1	1%	0	0%
	Early Childhood Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Multiple Subjects: Reading	76	48	63%	16	21%	12	16%

Program Approval & Accreditation

Programs Are Approved **Yes**  
 Programs Are Accredited **Yes**

Number of Class B Certificates Earned

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Nationally Recognized Programs

Class B Music Education National Association for Schools of Music

Educator Preparation Institutional Report Card  
 Performance on Required Content Knowledge and Pedagogy  
 University of South Alabama - Class B - NOT IN ED Praxis Content Tests

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Elementary Education	Multiple Subjects: Mathematics	106	82	77%	14	13%	10	10%
	Multiple Subjects: Science	106	68	64%	20	19%	18	17%
	Multiple Subjects: Social Studies	105	64	61%	26	25%	15	14%
English Language Arts	English Language Arts	11	11	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Mathematics	Mathematics	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Performing Arts	Performing Arts	5	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Sciences	Sciences	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Social Studies	Social Studies	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Special Education	Multiple Subjects: Mathematics	75	63	84%	6	8%	6	8%
	Multiple Subjects: Science	75	51	68%	12	16%	12	16%
	Multiple Subjects: Social Studies	75	48	64%	20	27%	7	9%

Program Approval & Accreditation

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 Programs Are Accredited **Yes**

Number of Class B Certificates Earned

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Nationally Recognized Programs

Class B Music Education National Association for Schools of Music

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 University of South Alabama - Class B - edTPA

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Career & Technical Educa..	Career & Technical Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Early Childhood Education	Early Childhood	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Elementary Education	Elementary	18	18	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Languages Other Than En..	World Language	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Middle School Mathemat..	Mathematics	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Performing Arts Education	Performing Arts/Visual Arts	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary English Langug..	English Language Arts	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary General Social ..	Geography/History/General Soci..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary Health Educati..	Health Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary Mathematics	Mathematics	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary Physical Educa..	Physical Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary Science	Biology/Chemistry/General Scien..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Special Education	Special Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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 Programs Are Accredited **Yes**

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Nationally Recognized Programs

Class B Music Education National Association for Schools of Music

Educator Preparation Institutional Report Card  
 Performance on Required Content Knowledge and Pedagogy  
 University of South Alabama - Alternative Class A - Principles of Teaching and Learning

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Early Childhood Education	Early Childhood Education	7	7	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Elementary Education	Elementary Education	11	11	100%	0	0%	0	0%
English for Speakers of Ot..	English for Speakers of Other La..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
English Language Arts	English Language Arts	6	6	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Health/Physical Education	Health/Physical Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Languages Other Than En..	Languages Other Than English	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mathematics	Mathematics	7	6	86%	1	14%	0	0%
Performing Arts	Performing Arts	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sciences	Sciences	12	12	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Social Studies	Social Studies	6	6	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Special Education	Special Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Program Approval & Accreditation

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 Programs Are Accredited **Yes**

Number of Class A Certificates Earned

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Nationally Recognized Programs

Class A	Music Education	National Association for Schools of Music
	School Counselor	Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Relate..



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 University of South Alabama - Alternative Class A - IN ED Praxis Content Tests

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Early Childhood Education	Early Childhood Education	7	4	57%	2	29%	1	14%
	Teaching of Reading	7	5	72%	1	14%	1	14%
Elementary Education	Multiple Subjects: Reading	11	10	91%	0	0%	1	9%
	Teaching of Reading	11	11	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Health/Physical Education	Health/Physical Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Special Education	Core Knowledge/Application	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Early Childhood Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Multiple Subjects: Reading	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Program Approval & Accreditation

Programs Are Approved **Yes**  
 Programs Are Accredited **Yes**

Number of Class A Certificates Earned

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Nationally Recognized Programs

Class A	Music Education	National Association for Schools of Music
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 University of South Alabama - Alternative Class A - NOT IN ED Praxis Content Tests

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Elementary Education	Multiple Subjects: Mathematics	11	7	64%	3	27%	1	9%
	Multiple Subjects: Science	11	10	91%	0	0%	1	9%
	Multiple Subjects: Social Studies	11	11	100%	0	0%	0	0%
English for Speakers of Ot..	English for Speakers of Other La..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
English Language Arts	English Language Arts	6	6	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Languages Other Than En..	Languages Other Than English	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mathematics	Mathematics	7	4	57%	1	14%	2	29%
Performing Arts	Performing Arts	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sciences	Sciences	12	10	84%	1	8%	1	8%
Social Studies	Social Studies	6	4	67%	2	33%	0	0%
Special Education	Multiple Subjects: Mathematics	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Multiple Subjects: Science	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Multiple Subjects: Social Studies	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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Career & Technical Educa..	Career & Technical Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Early Childhood Education	Early Childhood	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Elementary Education	Elementary	5	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%
English for Speakers of Ot..	English as an Additional Language	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Languages Other Than En..	World Language	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Performing Arts Education	Performing Arts/Visual Arts	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary English Langug..	English Language Arts	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary General Social ..	Geography/History/General Soci..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary Health Educati..	Health Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary Mathematics	Mathematics	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary Physical Educa..	Physical Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Secondary Science	Biology/Chemistry/General Scien..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Special Education	Special Education	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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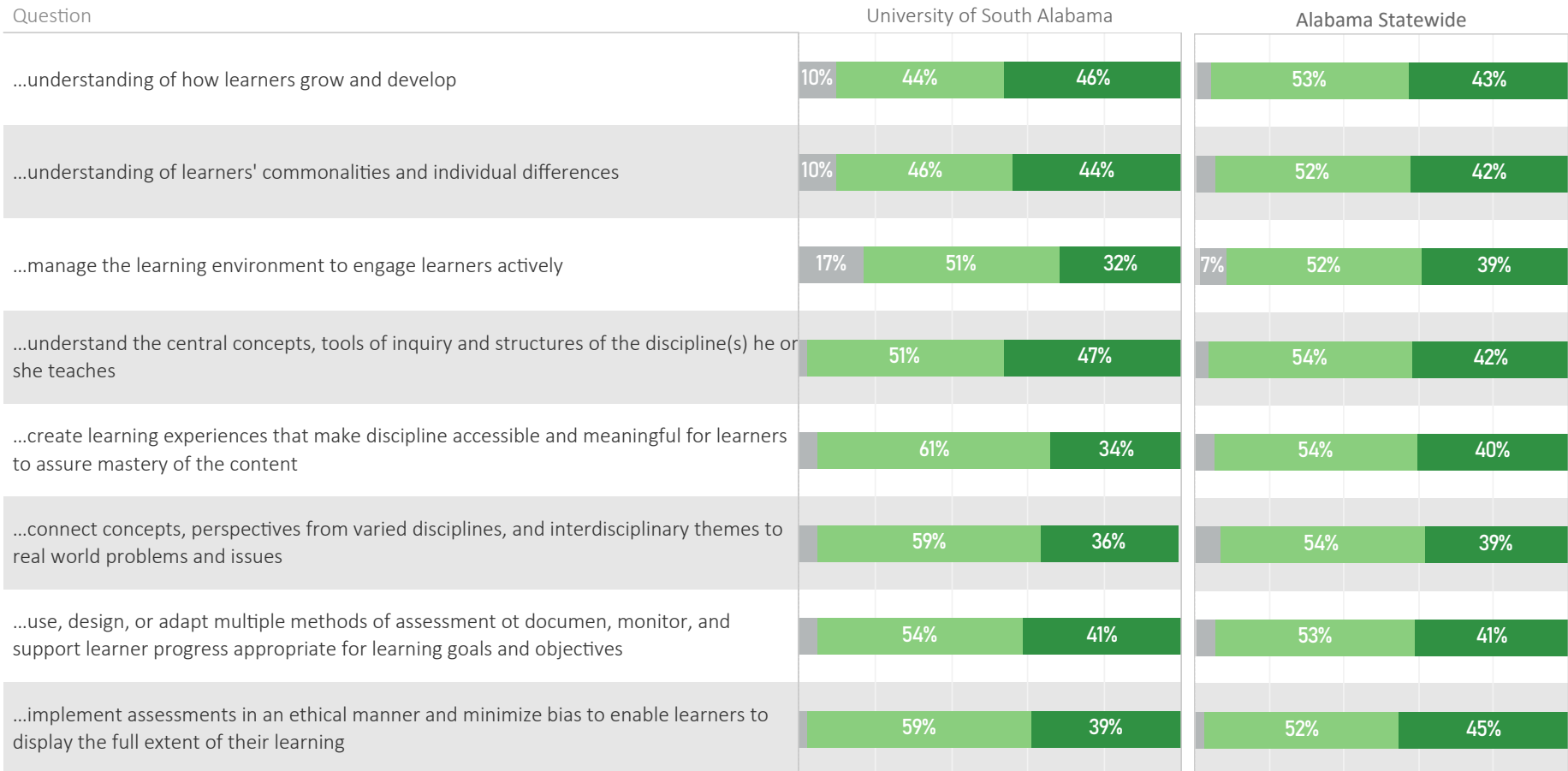
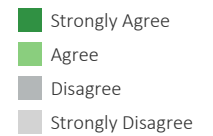
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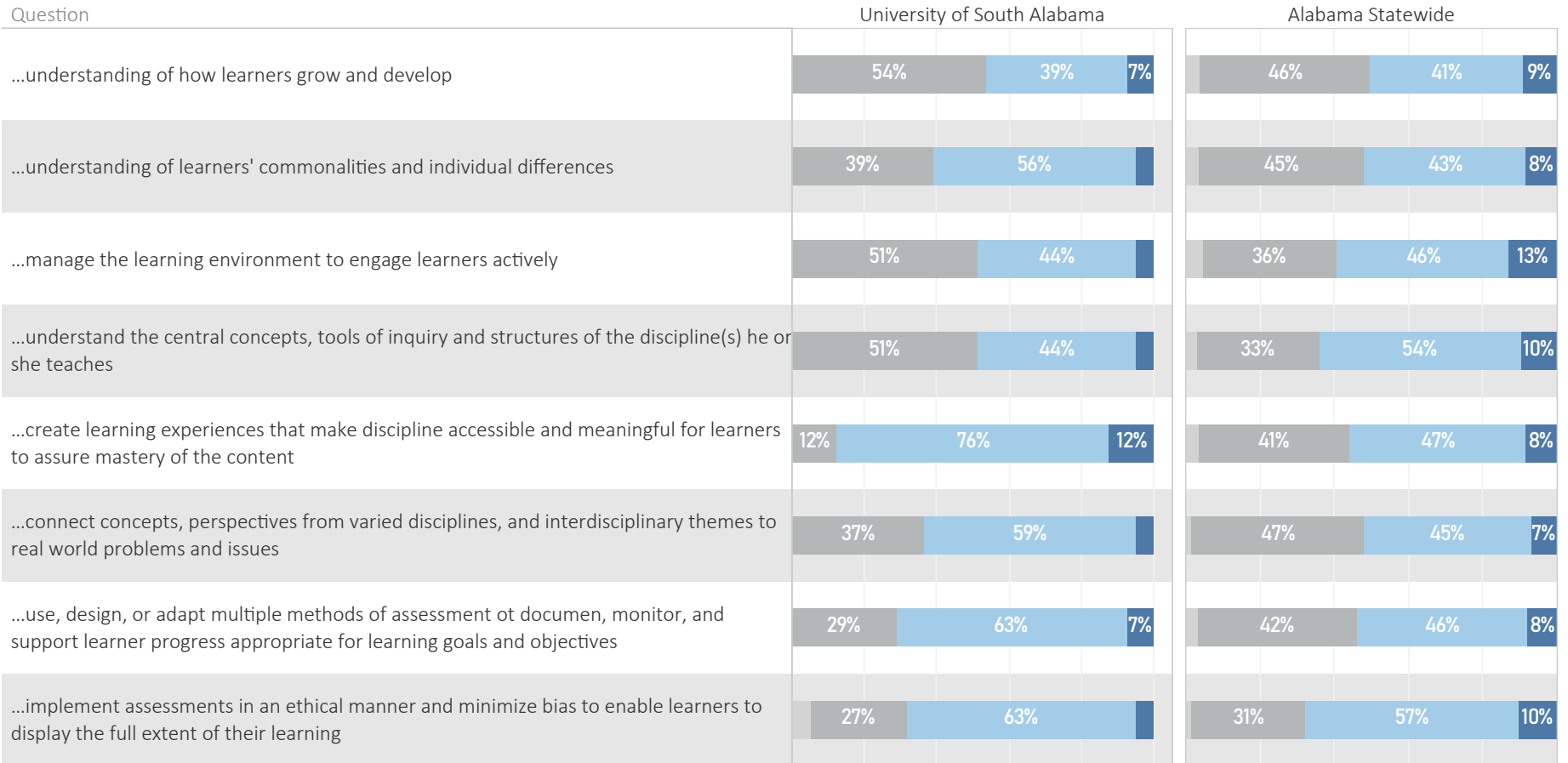
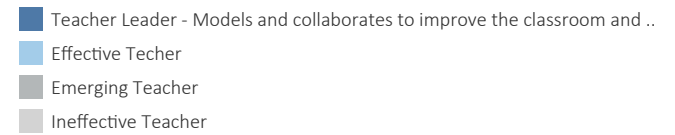
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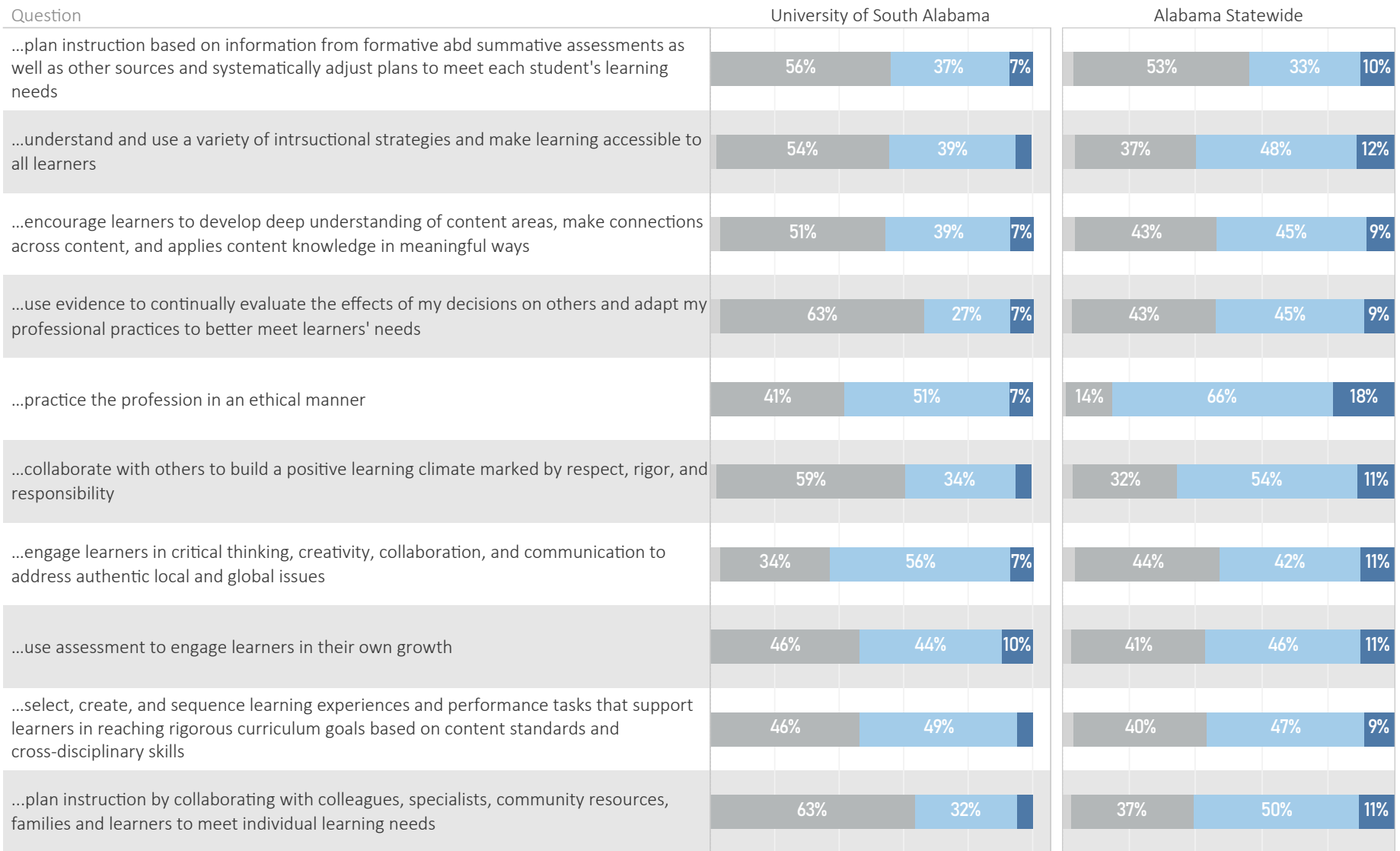


Question	University of South Alabama		Alabama Statewide	
...plan instruction based on information from formative and summative assessments as well as other sources and systematically adjust plans to meet each student's learning needs	56%	44%	53%	43%
...understand and use a variety of instructional strategies and make learning accessible to all learners	56%	44%	50%	47%
...encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas, make connections across content, and apply content knowledge in meaningful ways	51%	46%	52%	44%
...use evidence to continually evaluate the effects of my decisions on others and adapt my professional practices to better meet learners' needs	56%	39%	55%	41%
...practice the profession in an ethical manner	41%	57%	38%	62%
...collaborate with others to build a positive learning climate marked by respect, rigor, and responsibility	56%	39%	43%	54%
...engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, and communication to address authentic local and global issues	8%	46%	46%	46%
...use assessment to engage learners in their own growth	51%	44%	53%	41%
...select, create, and sequence learning experiences and performance tasks that support learners in reaching rigorous curriculum goals based on content standards and cross-disciplinary skills	54%	39%	55%	39%
...plan instruction by collaborating with colleagues, specialists, community resources, families and learners to meet individual learning needs	49%	44%	51%	44%

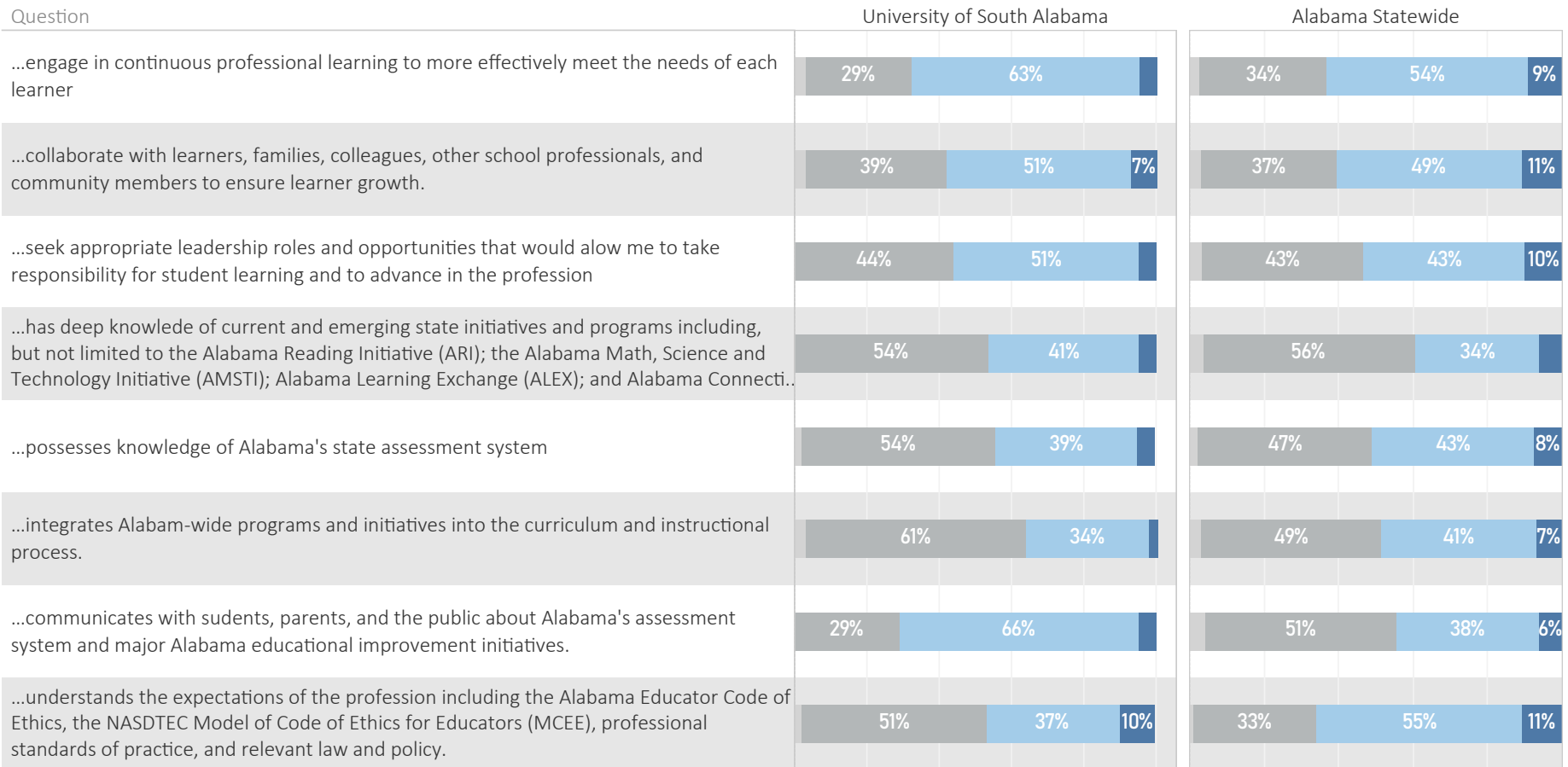
Question	University of South Alabama			Alabama Statewide		
...engage in continuous professional learning to more effectively meet the needs of each learner		56%	39%		50%	47%
...collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth.		56%	37%		51%	44%
...seek appropriate leadership roles and opportunities that would allow me to take responsibility for student learning and to advance in the profession		54%	39%		54%	40%
...has deep knowledge of current and emerging state initiatives and programs including, but not limited to the Alabama Reading Initiative (ARI); the Alabama Math, Science and Technology Initiative (AMSTI); Alabama Learning Exchange (ALEX); and Alabama Connecti..	12%	56%	32%	14%	48%	37%
...possesses knowledge of Alabama's state assessment system	20%	56%	22%	18%	51%	29%
...integrates Alabam-wide programs and initiatives into the curriculum and instructional process.	17%	59%	24%	13%	56%	29%
...communicates with students, parents, and the public about Alabama's assessment system and major Alabama educational improvement initiatives.	22%	54%	24%	20%	50%	28%
...understands the expectations of the profession including the Alabama Educator Code of Ethics, the NASDTEC Model of Code of Ethics for Educators (MCEE), professional standards of practice, and relevant law and policy.	17%	56%	27%	8%	53%	39%

Responses to the First-Year Teacher Survey created by the  
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**University of South Alabama - Employer Responses**

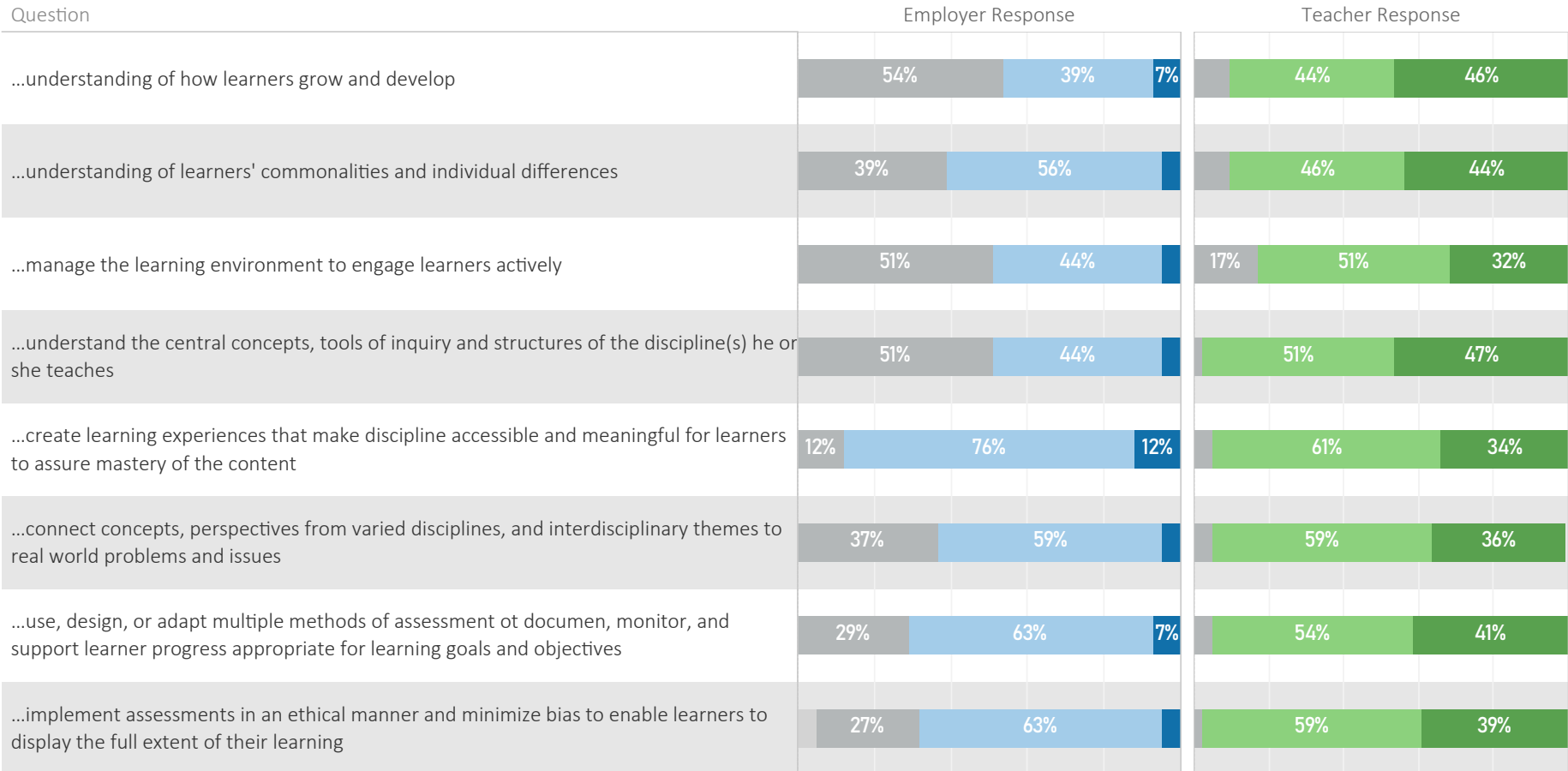
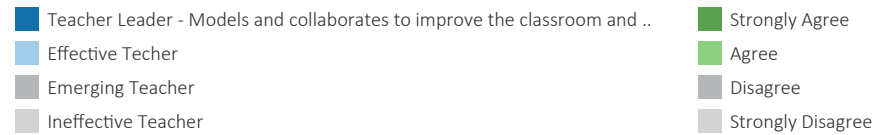








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**University of South Alabama - Employer and Teacher Responses**



Question	Employer Response			Teacher Response	
...plan instruction based on information from formative and summative assessments as well as other sources and systematically adjust plans to meet each student's learning needs	56%	37%	7%	56%	44%
...understand and use a variety of instructional strategies and make learning accessible to all learners	54%	39%	7%	56%	44%
...encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas, make connections across content, and apply content knowledge in meaningful ways	51%	39%	7%	51%	46%
...use evidence to continually evaluate the effects of my decisions on others and adapt my professional practices to better meet learners' needs	63%	27%	7%	56%	39%
...practice the profession in an ethical manner	41%	51%	7%	41%	57%
...collaborate with others to build a positive learning climate marked by respect, rigor, and responsibility	59%	34%	7%	56%	39%
...engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, and communication to address authentic local and global issues	34%	56%	7%	8%	46%
...use assessment to engage learners in their own growth	46%	44%	10%	51%	44%
...select, create, and sequence learning experiences and performance tasks that support learners in reaching rigorous curriculum goals based on content standards and cross-disciplinary skills	46%	49%	7%	54%	39%
...plan instruction by collaborating with colleagues, specialists, community resources, families and learners to meet individual learning needs	63%	32%	7%	49%	44%

Question	Employer Response			Teacher Response		
...engage in continuous professional learning to more effectively meet the needs of each learner	29%	63%		56%	39%	
...collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth.	39%	51%	7%	56%	37%	
...seek appropriate leadership roles and opportunities that would allow me to take responsibility for student learning and to advance in the profession	44%	51%		54%	39%	
...has deep knowledge of current and emerging state initiatives and programs including, but not limited to the Alabama Reading Initiative (ARI); the Alabama Math, Science and Technology Initiative (AMSTI); Alabama Learning Exchange (ALEX); and Alabama Connecti..	54%	41%		12%	56%	32%
...possesses knowledge of Alabama's state assessment system	54%	39%		20%	56%	22%
...integrates Alabam-wide programs and initiatives into the curriculum and instructional process.	61%	34%		17%	59%	24%
...communicates with students, parents, and the public about Alabama's assessment system and major Alabama educational improvement initiatives.	29%	66%		22%	54%	24%
...understands the expectations of the profession including the Alabama Educator Code of Ethics, the NASDTEC Model of Code of Ethics for Educators (MCEE), professional standards of practice, and relevant law and policy.	51%	37%	10%	17%	56%	27%