

# SWOSU History Students Help with OCTP Exams

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Twenty Southwestern Oklahoma State University history and history education students at Weatherford recently participated in field testing for the Oklahoma Committee for Teacher Preparation.

The students assisted with field testing of Certification Examinations for Oklahoma Educators (CEOE) in three different subject areas.

According to Dr. Frederick Gates, assistant professor of history at SWOSU and a member of the OCTP responsible for preparing the United States history exam, the exams are taken by all future educators in Oklahoma and teaching candidates must pass these exams in order to receive an initial teaching certificate in their various content areas.

Students completed exams in the areas of U.S. History/Oklahoma History/Government/Economics, World History/Geography and Middle Level Social Studies.

These exams were recently updated and revised and Gates arranged for the field testing to take place on the SWOSU campus. By participating, students were able to practice their test taking skills and try answering test questions that may appear on future CEOE exams. The students were also given their choice of \$25 Barnes & Noble gift cards or \$25 vouchers toward future CEOE test registration fees for each exam they completed.