

**Part 30 & 33: Principal and Superintendents Transition to National Standards**  
**February 2023 Webinar**  
***Frequently Asked Questions***

**What edition of the National Education Leadership Preparation (NELP) standards are being used?**

The 2018 edition of the [\(NELP\) standards](#) is being used.

**If we want to add new courses or drop existing courses from our program to align to the NELP standards, do we need to also submit a Program Change Form?**

No. You can simply indicate those changes on the Transition Matrix. You will mark “new” in the “New/Existing Course” column on the first table for courses that are new to your program. You will list courses you wish to remove in the second table of the Transition Matrix. The Transition Matrices can be found on our [Educator Licensure webpage](#), under the “National Preparation Program Standards” dropdown menu.

**How long should the “brief description be”?**

There is no specific length that is required, as long as you have clearly described how a given course aligns with the standards. We would anticipate a short paragraph for each course. You are welcome to attach additional supplemental materials to better demonstrate alignment.

**Can we use the NELP alignment Transition Matrices to also explain our plans for alignment to the Culturally Responsive Teaching and Leading Standards (CRTL)?**

No – these must be completed and submitted separately. You can find out more about the CRTL Alignment on our [CRTL Webpage](#).

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**How will the internship (Appendix A) now align to NELP?**

The internship should now include an assessment that meets the criteria of the NELP standards, rather than the state-developed standards that were previously listed in Appendix A. Any assessments or evaluation methods still in use that aligned to the previous Appendix A, should be analyzed to ensure they align to the revised Appendix A, which now references the NELP standards.

**If we would like to revise the format of internship documents/materials to better align with NELP standards, do we need ISBE approval to make these changes?**

No. You do not have to get separate approval for changes to these documents.

Please see the [Principal and Superintendent National Standards Transition Guide](#) for additional information.