



## Professional Licensure and Certification Disclosure

The federal government requires institutions of higher education to notify prospective and currently enrolled students whether, upon successful completion of their University of Georgia degree program, they would be eligible to sit for licensure and/or certification exams in their state. To comply with this requirement, UGA’s Mary Francis Early College of Education provides the links to the educator certification and/or licensure requirements for all 50 states. All educators must be certified in the state in which they work, and the requirements may vary greatly between each state. Additionally, states are continuously revising their educator certification rules and requirements. Though these requirements and information were accurate at the time of publication (October 2023) they may have since changed. **To ensure accurate information and for additional questions about a specific state’s requirements, please refer to the links below.**

### University of Georgia Specialist programs that can lead to educator certification upgrade in the state of Georgia:

Education – EDS with concentrations in Art Education, Communication Sciences and Disorders, Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, World Language Education, English Education, Social Studies Education, Middle Grades Education, Reading Education, Children's Literature and Language Arts P-5, Reading Education, Literature and Language Arts 6-12, Special Education, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages, Workforce Education	Educational Administration and Policy- EDS
Educational Psychology- EDS with a concentration in Gifted & Creative Education	Mathematics Education- EDS
Professional School Counseling- EDS	Science Education- EDS

\*The MFE College of Education partners with Agricultural Education, Art Education, Dance, Music Education Family and Consumer Sciences Education, School Nutrition in providing initial certification for candidates seeking certification in those areas.

#### NOTES:

The programs listed above lead to a Georgia Certification Upgrade. Visit the [Georgia Professional Standards Commission](#) for more information. The Georgia Professional Standards Commission has reciprocity with all 50 states and D.C. Reciprocity does not mean that there may not be additional requirements for certification. The MFE College of Education has not determined where its programs will qualify a graduate to take the required exams in other states.



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## Links to Certification and/or Licensure Requirements in each state

State	Link/URL
Alabama (AL)	<a href="https://www.alabamaachievers.org/teacher-center/teacher-certification/">https://www.alabamaachievers.org/teacher-center/teacher-certification/</a>
Alaska (AK)	<a href="https://education.alaska.gov/TeacherCertification/">https://education.alaska.gov/TeacherCertification/</a>
Arizona (AZ)	<a href="http://www.azed.gov/educator-certification/">http://www.azed.gov/educator-certification/</a>
Arkansas (AR)	<a href="https://aels.ade.arkansas.gov/main.htm">https://aels.ade.arkansas.gov/main.htm</a>
California (CA)	<a href="https://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/out-of-state-app">https://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/out-of-state-app</a>
Colorado (CO)	<a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeprof">http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeprof</a>
Connecticut (CT)	<a href="http://portal.ct.gov/SDE">http://portal.ct.gov/SDE</a>
Delaware (DE)	<a href="https://www.doe.k12.de.us/certification">https://www.doe.k12.de.us/certification</a>
District of Columbia (DC)	<a href="https://dcps.dc.gov/node/990682">https://dcps.dc.gov/node/990682</a>
Florida (FL)	<a href="http://www.fldoe.org/teaching/certification/index.stml">http://www.fldoe.org/teaching/certification/index.stml</a>
Georgia (GA)	<a href="http://www.gapsc.com/">http://www.gapsc.com/</a>
Hawaii (HI)	<a href="http://www.htsb.org/">http://www.htsb.org/</a>
Idaho (ID)	<a href="http://www.sde.idaho.gov/cert-psc/cert/">http://www.sde.idaho.gov/cert-psc/cert/</a>
Illinois (IL)	<a href="http://www.isbe.net/Pages/Educator-licensure.aspx">http://www.isbe.net/Pages/Educator-licensure.aspx</a>
Indiana (IN)	<a href="https://www.in.gov/doe/educators/educator-licensing/">https://www.in.gov/doe/educators/educator-licensing/</a>
Iowa (IA)	<a href="https://boee.iowa.gov/">https://boee.iowa.gov/</a>
Kansas (KS)	<a href="https://www.ksde.org/Agency/Division-of-Learning-Services/Teacher-Licensure-TL">https://www.ksde.org/Agency/Division-of-Learning-Services/Teacher-Licensure-TL</a>
Kentucky (KY)	<a href="http://education.ky.gov/teachers/NxGenProf/Pages/Certification.aspx">http://education.ky.gov/teachers/NxGenProf/Pages/Certification.aspx</a>
Louisiana (LA)	<a href="https://www.teachlouisiana.net/Teachers.aspx?PageID=650">https://www.teachlouisiana.net/Teachers.aspx?PageID=650</a>
Maine (ME)	<a href="http://www.maine.gov/doe/cert/">http://www.maine.gov/doe/cert/</a>
Maryland (MD)	<a href="https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/about/Pages/DEE/Certification/index.aspx">https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/about/Pages/DEE/Certification/index.aspx</a>
Massachusetts (MA)	<a href="https://www.mass.gov/k-12-educator-licensing">https://www.mass.gov/k-12-educator-licensing</a>
Michigan (MI)	<a href="https://www.michigan.gov/mde/Services/ed-serv/ed-cert">https://www.michigan.gov/mde/Services/ed-serv/ed-cert</a>
Minnesota (MN)	<a href="https://education.mn.gov/MDE/lic/">https://education.mn.gov/MDE/lic/</a>
Mississippi (MS)	<a href="http://www.mdek12.org/OEL">http://www.mdek12.org/OEL</a>
Missouri (MO)	<a href="https://dese.mo.gov/educator-quality/certification">https://dese.mo.gov/educator-quality/certification</a>
Montana (MT)	<a href="http://opi.mt.gov/Educators/Licensure/Become-a-Licensed-Montana-Educator">http://opi.mt.gov/Educators/Licensure/Become-a-Licensed-Montana-Educator</a>



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Nebraska (NE)	<a href="https://www.education.ne.gov/TCERT/">https://www.education.ne.gov/TCERT/</a>
Nevada (NV)	<a href="https://doe.nv.gov/Educator_Licensure/">https://doe.nv.gov/Educator_Licensure/</a>
New Hampshire (NH)	<a href="http://www.education.nh.gov/">http://www.education.nh.gov/</a>
New Jersey (NJ)	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/education/educators/license/">http://www.state.nj.us/education/educators/license/</a>
New Mexico (NM)	<a href="https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/licensure/">https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/licensure/</a>
New York (NY)	<a href="http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/">http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/</a>
North Carolina (NC)	<a href="http://www.dpi.state.nc.us/licensure/">http://www.dpi.state.nc.us/licensure/</a>
North Dakota (ND)	<a href="https://www.nd.gov/espb/licensure">https://www.nd.gov/espb/licensure</a>
Ohio (OH)	<a href="http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Teaching/Licensure">http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Teaching/Licensure</a>
Oklahoma (OK)	<a href="https://sde.ok.gov/teacher-certification">https://sde.ok.gov/teacher-certification</a>
Oregon (OR)	<a href="https://www.oregon.gov/ode/educator-resources/pages/teacher-licensure.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/ode/educator-resources/pages/teacher-licensure.aspx</a>
Pennsylvania (PA)	<a href="https://www.education.pa.gov/Educators/Certification/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.education.pa.gov/Educators/Certification/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Rhode Island (RI)	<a href="http://www.ride.ri.gov/TeachersAdministrators/EducatorCertification.aspx">http://www.ride.ri.gov/TeachersAdministrators/EducatorCertification.aspx</a>
South Carolina (SC)	<a href="https://ed.sc.gov/educators/certification/">https://ed.sc.gov/educators/certification/</a>
South Dakota (SD)	<a href="https://doe.sd.gov/certification/">https://doe.sd.gov/certification/</a>
Tennessee (TN)	<a href="https://www.tn.gov/education/educators/licensing.html">https://www.tn.gov/education/educators/licensing.html</a>
Texas (TX)	<a href="http://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Certification/">http://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Certification/</a>
Utah (UT)	<a href="https://www.schools.utah.gov/licensing">https://www.schools.utah.gov/licensing</a>
Vermont (VT)	<a href="https://education.vermont.gov/educator-licensure/become-a-vermont-educator">https://education.vermont.gov/educator-licensure/become-a-vermont-educator</a>
Virginia (VA)	<a href="http://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching/licensure/">http://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching/licensure/</a>
Washington (WA)	<a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/certification/">http://www.k12.wa.us/certification/</a>
West Virginia (WV)	<a href="http://wvde.state.wv.us/certification/">http://wvde.state.wv.us/certification/</a>
Wisconsin (WI)	<a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/licensing">https://dpi.wi.gov/licensing</a>
Wyoming (WY)	<a href="https://wyomingptsb.com/licensure/">https://wyomingptsb.com/licensure/</a>