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## 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 Masters programs that can lead to educator certification in the state of Georgia:

Communication Sciences and Disorders- MA & MED	Mathematics Education- MAT
Educational Administration and Policy- MED	Middle Grades Education - MAT with concentrations Mathematics and Language Arts, Mathematics and Science, Mathematics and Social Studies, Science and Language Arts, Social Studies and Language Arts, Social Studies and Science
Elementary Education- MAT	Special Education - MAT with concentrations in Birth through Five/Preschool Special Education, Special Education Adapted Curriculum and Autism, General Curriculum
English Education- MAT	Workforce Education – MAT with concentrations Business Education, Family and Consumer Sciences Education, Engineering and Technology Education, Healthcare Science and Technology Education, Marketing Education, Technology Education, Trade and Industrial Education
Learning, Design and Technology- MED with a concentration in Instructional Technology	TESOL and World Language Education – MAT
Social Studies Education- MAT	Science Education- MAT
Kinesiology – MS with a concentration in Physical Education	

\*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.



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## NOTES:

The programs listed above lead to a Georgia Initial Certification. Visit the [Georgia Professional Standards Commission](https://www.gapsc.com) 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.

GACE Exams for some programs are required for certification but are not required for UGA graduation. For more information on GACE visit the GACE site at <https://www.gapsc.com/Certification/CertificationLicensureAssessments/contentAssessments.aspx> .

## 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>



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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>
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/espblicensure">https://www.nd.gov/espblicensure</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>



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Wyoming (WY)	<a href="https://wyomingptsb.com/licensure/">https://wyomingptsb.com/licensure/</a>
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