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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 upgrade in the state of Georgia:

Education- MA with concentrations in Mathematics Education Science Education, Social Studies Education, Literacies and Children's Literature, Special Education/Adapted Curriculum, Special Education/Birth Through Kindergarten, Special Education General Curriculum	Mathematics Education - MED with concentrations in Grades 6-12 and PreK thru 8
Educational Psychology- MA with concentration in Gifted & Creative Education	Middle Grades Education - MED with concentrations in Mathematics and Language Arts, Mathematics and Science, Mathematics and Social Studies, Science and Language Arts, Social Studies and Language Arts, Social Studies and Science
Educational Psychology- MED with concentration in Gifted & Creative Education	Reading Education - BSED with concentrations in Children's Literature and Language Arts, New and Digital Literacy P-5, New and Digital Literacy 6-12, P-5 Elementary Teaching, 6-12 Secondary Teaching
Elementary Education- MED	Science Education - MED
English Education- MED	Social Studies Education - MED
Special Education- MED with concentrations in Birth through Five/Preschool Special Education, Early Childhood Education/Special Education General Curriculum (P-5), Special Education Adapted Curriculum and Autism, Special Education General Curriculum	TESOL and World Language Education- MED
Workforce Education- MED	



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\*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](http://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.

## 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>



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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>
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>



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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>