

FLORIDA TEACHER CERTIFICATION OPTION SUMMARY

Direct Route to Professional Certificate

Alternate Route for Career Changers & Non-Education Majors (<http://www.fldoe.org/edcert/level3.asp>)

Additional Information

Bachelor's degree and
Valid standard teaching
certificate issued by another
state

or
Bachelor's degree earned in a
Florida "State Approved
Education Program"

or
Valid certificate issued by the
National Board for Professional
Teaching Standards

Bachelor's degree and
Passing score on Florida subject
area exam

or
Appropriate degree major

or
Completion of coursework
meeting state requirements for
the subject area

or
Out-of-state teacher prep
program with student teaching

For exam information for this
eligibility option see:
www.fl.nesinc.com and
www.fldoe.org/asp/fce/.

For major or subject area
coursework requirements for
these eligibility options see:
www.fldoe.org/edcert/subjlist.asp

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*Apply for Temporary Certificate
in area of eligibility.***

**FLORIDA TEMPORARY
CERTIFICATE**

Applicant will receive a
Statement of Status of Eligibility
Validity period: 3 years.

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beginning 7/1 of school year.

Passing score on
General Knowledge exam

and
Passing score on
Florida Subject Area exam

and
Passing score on
Professional Education exam

and
Education coursework
(15-20* semester hours) and

Practical teaching experience

and
Completion of Professional
Education Competence program,
i.e., Lee A.P.P.L.E.S. program

**Must pass GK within 12
months of Florida hire date;**
**All other requirements: before
expiration date of temporary
certificate.**

Alternative: Passport to Teach-
ing Certificate from American
Board for Certification of Teacher
Excellence may meet these State
requirements for some subject
areas. www.abcte.org

May be able to waive 3* hours
with 1* yrs tching experience.

6 hrs of teaching internship or
1* full-time teaching year.

Alternative Cert Prgm meets
these State requirements:
1) District web-based program
<https://www.altcertflorida.org/index.htm>
or
2) Educator Prep Institutes (EPI)
at FL college or university

*Apply for Professional Certificate
in the area of eligibility.***

FLORIDA PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR'S CERTIFICATE	Validity period: 5 years. Minimum of 120 inservice points or 6 semester hours to renew.
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Additional information about Florida teacher certification can be found at www.fldoe.org/edcert.

*Exact requirements are listed on your Official Statement of Status of Eligibility. The Bureau of Educator Certification has the authority to verify course approval.

**Apply for your initial Florida certificate on-line at <http://www.fldoe.org/edcert/apply.asp>. Credit card payment is required for the fee. If not already done, application needs to be completed within 10 days of your start date.