

# Road to NYS Teacher Certification

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# Teacher Certification Process

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- Choose the best preparation pathway
- Find the certification requirements
- Create a TEACH account
- Take all required assessments
- Take all required workshops
- Submit credentials and documents
- Apply for certification



# Pathways to Teacher Certification

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- Approved Teacher Preparation
  - Traditional Certification
  - Alternative Certification
- Individual Evaluation
  - Persons educated outside United States
  - Persons not graduated from a teacher preparation program



# Pathways to Teacher Certification (continued)

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- Interstate Reciprocity
- National Board Certified



# Basic Certification Requirements

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- Preparation
  - Academic coursework
  - Pedagogical coursework
  - Student teaching/practical experience
- Assessments
  - Educating All Students Test (EAS)
  - edTPA (Teacher Performance Portfolio Assessment)
  - Content Specialty Test (CST)
  - Bilingual Education Assessment (BEA)



# Basic Certification Requirements (continued)

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- Workshops
  - Child Abuse Identification
  - School Violence Intervention and Preventions
  - Dignity for All Students Act
- Fingerprint Clearance



# Types of Certifications

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- Initial
- Professional
- Internship
- Transitional A
- Transitional B
- Transitional C
- Transitional G
- Supplemental
- Bilingual Extension



# Types of Certifications

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## ■ Initial

- entry-level certificate for classroom teachers (issued in specific subject/grade titles)
- Valid for five years

## ■ Professional

- advanced-level certificate for classroom teachers (issued in specific subject/grade titles)





# Types of Certifications

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- **Internship Certificate**
  - issued to a student in a NYS registered/approved graduate teacher education program which includes an internship experience(s)
  - student must be 50% through the program and program determines student is eligible



# Types of Certifications

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- Transitional A

- issued to an individual in a specific career and technical education title in a NYS school district or BOCES who does not meet the requirements for an Initial Certificate, but who possesses the requisite occupational experience.



# Types of Certifications

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- Transitional B

- issued to permit an individual to work as a classroom teacher in a New York State public school
- individual must be enrolled in a New York State Transitional B program
- placement is required in a partnering school district



# Types of Certifications

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- Transitional C

- Hold a graduate academic or graduate professional degree from a regionally accredited institution
- Individual must be enrolled in a New York State Transitional C program
- Placement is required in a partnering school district
- Issued to permit an individual to work as a classroom teacher in a New York State public school



# Types of Certifications

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- Transitional C (Continue)
  - Complete the following workshops
    - Child Abuse Identification
    - School violence Intervention and Prevention
    - Dignity for All Students Act
  - Fingerprint clearance
  - Complete required teacher certification exams including the
    - Educating All Students Test (EST) and
    - Subject Specific Content Specialty Test (CST)



# Types of Certifications

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- Transitional G

- permits a college professor (who holds a graduate degree in any area for which there is a certificate title)
- successfully taught the subject of the certificate area at the college level for at least two years within the ten years immediately preceding the application)
- school district must submit recommendation



# Types of Certifications

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- Supplemental

- issued to New York State certified classroom teachers to enable them to teach in a different subject area where a shortage exists
- district must submit a recommendation



# Types of Certifications

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- Bilingual Extension

An extension of this type is attached to a valid base certificate, authorizing the holder to teach bilingual education. The individual must hold the appropriate base certificate.

<http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/typesofcerts/extbil.html>



# Alternative Teacher Preparation Programs



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<http://www.nysed.gov/college-university-evaluation/alternative-teacher-preparation-programs>

<http://www.nysed.gov/college-university-evaluation/summary-requirements-transitional-c-certificate>



# Identifying Certification Requirements

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<http://eservices.nysed.gov/teach/certhelp/CertRequirementHelp.do>



# Creating a TEACH account

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<http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/teach/selfreg.html>



# Opportunities

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## New York City

- Teaching Fellows Program
  - <http://nycteachingfellows.org/>
  - Application deadline: January 23, 2019
  - Program start: June 2019



# Federal Grants and Loan Forgiveness

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- TEACH Grant

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/grants-scholarships/teach>

- Stafford Loan Forgiveness Program for Teachers

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/repay-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/teacher>

- Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/repay-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/public-service>



# Resources:

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- Certification Requirements
  - <http://eservices.nysed.gov/teach/certhelp/CertRequirementHelp.do>
- Pathways to Certification
  - <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/rightpathway.html>
- Applying for Certification
  - <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/apply.html>



## Resources: (continued)

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- NYS Inventory of Registered Program  
<http://www.nysed.gov/heds/irpsl1.html>
- CUNY Education Program Grid  
<http://www2.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/academics/academic-programs/teacher-education-programs/teacher-education-grid-2015.pdf>



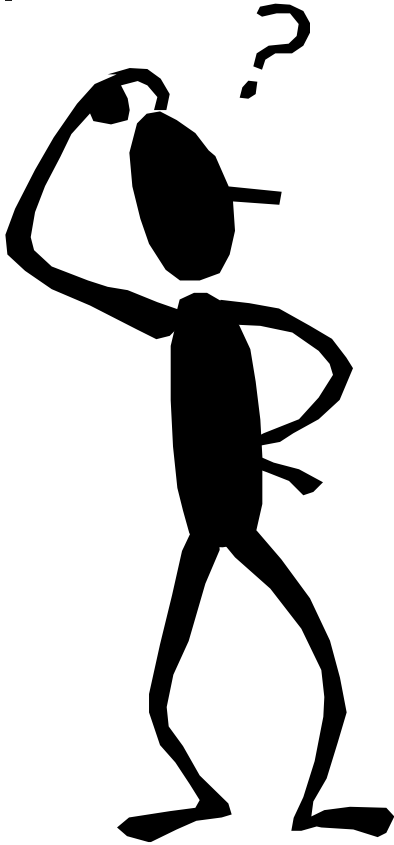
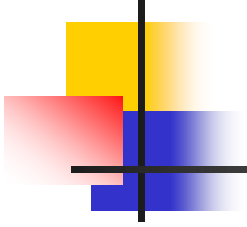
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- Citizenship/Immigration Status

<http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/citizenshipreq.html>





**Reflections?**  
**Questions?**



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