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**Directory of State-Approved Educator Preparation Programs**

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## Introduction

State approval of an educator preparation program means the District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) has examined the quality of programs preparing teachers, service providers and administrators for District of Columbia P-12 schools, and has determined that the programs meet state standards for preparing candidates to enter the profession. State approval is required for programs in the District of Columbia offering professional preparation programs that lead to state teacher, service provider and school administrator licensure.

The goal of the state accreditation and program approval system is to ensure a steady flow of high-quality candidates for roles as teachers, administrators, and other school personnel in District of Columbia schools by allowing multiple routes for educator preparation. The District of Columbia's system for state accreditation and approval of programs insists on high standards and selectivity for teacher, administrator, and other school personnel candidates.

The following pages identify the institutions and organizations that have been granted state accreditation by OSSE, as well as the specific subject area programs that have been approved for the recommendation of candidates for licensure. For more detailed information regarding requirements for entry into any of the following programs, please contact the specific institutions or organizations directly.

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree
Early Childhood Education	N	Y	N
Elementary Education	Y	Y	N
English as a Second Language	Y	Y	N
Secondary Biology	Y	Y	N
Secondary Chemistry	Y	Y	N
Secondary English	Y	Y	N
Secondary Mathematics	Y	Y	N
Secondary Physics	Y	Y	N
Secondary Social Studies	Y	Y	N
Special Education (Learning Disability)	N	Y	N

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Early Childhood Education	Y	N	N
Early Childhood Special Education	N	Y	Y
Elementary Education	Y	N	N
Music (Instrumental)	Y	N	N
Music (Vocal)	Y	N	N
School Library/Media Specialist	N	Y	N
Secondary English	Y	Y	Y
Secondary Mathematics	Y	Y	Y
Secondary Social Studies	Y	Y	Y
Special Education (Non-Categorical)	N	Y	Y

\*May result in the issuance of a graduate certificate and/or require licensure in another subject area prior to enrollment. Please check with the university to confirm.

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Elementary Education			Y

*\*Programs are offered at the post-baccalaureate level only.*

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree
Early Childhood Education	Y	Y	N/A
Early Childhood Special Education	N	Y	
Elementary Education	Y	Y	
School Counselor	N	Y	
School Psychology	N	Y	
School Social Worker	N	Y	
Secondary Biology	Y	Y	
Secondary English	Y	Y	
Secondary Mathematics	Y	Y	
Secondary Social Studies	Y	Y	
Special Education (Deaf and Hard of Hearing)	N	Y	

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Bilingual Special Education	N/A	Y	N
Early Childhood Special Education		Y	N
Educational Leadership Administration		Y	Y
Elementary Education		Y	N
English as a Second Language		Y	Y
Foreign Language – Modern World Languages**		Y	Y
Foreign Language – Latin**		Y	Y
Reading		Y	N
School Counselor		Y	N
Secondary Biology		Y	Y

Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Secondary Chemistry	N/A	Y	Y
Secondary English		Y	Y
Secondary General Science		Y	Y
Secondary Mathematics		Y	Y
Secondary Physics		Y	Y
Secondary Social Studies		Y	Y
Special Education (Non-Categorical)		Y	N
Special Education (Learning Disability)		Y	N
Special Education (Emotional Behavioral Disorder)		Y	N

*\*Programs are offered at the post-baccalaureate level only.*

*\*\*The Graduate School of Education and Human Development at the George Washington University offers courses that lead to licensure in any foreign language- modern or classical. We require that students show evidence that they have completed coursework and/or proficiency in the language they want to teach. We also require that they take the Praxis in the language content + pass the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI), at either an intermediate high (less common languages) or advanced low (Spanish/French), as required by the SPA.*



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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree
Educational Administration	N	Y	N/A
Elementary Education	Y	Y	
Foreign Language (French)	Y	Y	
Foreign Language (Spanish)	Y	Y	
Music (Instrumental)	Y	Y	
Music (Vocal)	Y	Y	
School Counselor	N	Y	
School Psychology	N	Y	
Secondary English	Y	Y	
Secondary Mathematics	Y	Y	
Secondary Physics	Y	Y	
Secondary Social Studies	Y	Y	
Special Education (Non-Categorical)	N	Y	
Theatre	Y	Y	

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Educational Administration	N/A	N/A	Y

*\*Programs are offered at the post-baccalaureate level only.*

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Early Childhood Education	N/A	N/A	Y
Elementary Education			Y
Foreign Language (Spanish)			Y
Secondary Biology			Y
Secondary English			Y
Secondary Mathematics			Y
Special Education (Non-Categorical)			Y

\* Programs are offered at the post-baccalaureate level only.

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Art (all grades)	N/A	N/A	Y
Computer Science (all grades)			Y
Early Childhood Education			Y
Elementary Education			Y
Elementary Mathematics Resource (Endorsement)			Y
English as a Second Language (all grades)			Y
Health and Physical Education (all grades)			Y
Middle School Mathematics			Y
Modern Foreign Languages			Y
Music—Vocal and Instrumental (all grades)			Y
Secondary Biology			Y
Secondary Chemistry			Y
Secondary General Science			Y

Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Secondary Physics	N/A	N/A	Y
Secondary Social Studies			Y
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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Early Childhood Education	Y	Y	N/A
Educational Administration	N	Y	
Elementary Education	Y	Y	
School Counselor	N	Y	
Special Education (Non-Categorical)	N	Y	

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Adult Basic Education	N	Y	N/A
Early Childhood Education	Y	Y	
Elementary Education	Y	N	
Middle School Science	N	Y	
Secondary English	N	Y	
Secondary Mathematics	N	Y	
Secondary Social Studies	N	Y	
Special Education (Non-Categorical)	Y	N	



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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree*	Licensure/Non-degree**
Early Childhood Education/ Special Education (Non-Categorical)	N/A	Y	Y
Elementary Education/ Special Education (Non-Categorical)		Y	Y
Middle Level Mathematics/ Special Education (Non-Categorical)		Y	Y
Secondary English/ Special Education (Non-Categorical)		Y	Y

Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree*	Licensure/Non-degree**
Secondary Mathematics / Special Education (Non-Categorical)	N/A	Y	Y

*\*All program completers earn a Master's degree via a partnership with Johns Hopkins University*

*\*\* Programs are offered at the post-baccalaureate level only.*

PROGRAM	EDUCATOR PREPATION PROVIDER												
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Adult Basic Education												T	
Art										N			
Bilingual Special Education					T								
Drama/Theatre						T							
Early Childhood Education	T	T	N	T				N	N	N	TN	T	N
Early Childhood Special Education		T		T	T								
Educational Leadership & Admin.					T	T	N				TN		
Elementary Education	T	T	N	T	T	T			N	N	TN	T	N
English as a Second Language	T				TN					N			
Elementary Mathematics Resource										N			
Foreign Language (Modern Languages)					TN	T				N			
Foreign Language (Latin)					TN								
Foreign Language (Spanish)									N				
Health and Physical Education										N			
Middle School Mathematics										N			N
Middle School Science												T	
Music – Instrumental		T				T				N			
Music - Vocal		T				T				N			
Reading					TN								
School Counselor				T	T	T					TN		
School Library/Media Specialist		T											
School Psychologist				T		T							
School Social Worker				T									
Secondary Biology	T			T	TN				N	N			
Secondary Chemistry	T				TN					N			
Secondary Computer Science										N			

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Secondary English	T	T		T	TN	T			N			T	N	
Secondary General Science					TN					N				
Secondary Mathematics	T	T		T	TN	T			N	N		T	N	
Secondary Physics	T				TN	T				N				
Secondary Social Studies	T	T		T	TN	T				N		T		
Special Education (Deaf and Hard of Hearing)				T										
Special Education (Learning Disability)	T				T									
Special Education (Non-Categorical)		T			T	T		N	N	N	TN	T	N	
Special Education (Severe Emotionally Disturbed)					T									

**Matrix Key**

- T** Offered as a traditional route educator preparation program - Candidates in the program receive all of their preparation before entering the classroom as a teacher, administrator or service provider.
- N** Offered as a non-traditional route educator preparation program - Candidates in the program actively serve in the role of teacher or administrator while completing an educator preparation program.
- TN** Offered as a traditional and non-traditional route educator preparation program