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Introduction

State approval of an educator preparation provider (EPP) means the District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) has examined the quality of providers and 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 EPP 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 approval of EPPs and 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 approval 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 institution or organization directly.

On each EPP page, the second table provides information about which of the EPP's programs lead to an undergraduate and/or graduate degree, or non-degree program that offers coursework that lead to eligibility to apply for a credential.

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree
Administration and School Leadership	N	Y	N
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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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree
Early Childhood Education	Y	Y	N/A
Elementary Education	Y	Y	
School Counselor	N	Y	
School Psychology	N	Y	
School Social Worker	N	Y	
Secondary Biology	Y	Y	
Secondary Chemistry	Y	Y	
Secondary English	Y	Y	
Secondary General Science	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*
English as a Second Language	N/A	Y	Y
Secondary Biology		Y	Y

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Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Bilingual Special Education	N/A	Y	N
Early Childhood Education ⁺		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
GWTeach – Math [†]	Y	N	N
GWTeach – Science [†]		N	N
Reading	N/A	Y	N
School Counselor		Y	N

Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Secondary English	N/A	Y	Y
Secondary Mathematics		Y	Y
Secondary Science (Biology, Chemistry, General Science, 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

**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.*

***The Graduate School of Education and Human Development at the George Washington University offers courses that lead to licensure in any modern foreign language. 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 and speak at a minimum level of "Intermediate High" (for Arabic, Chinese, Japanese and Korean) or "Advanced Low" (all other languages) on the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) exam.*

+ The GW Early Childhood Special Education program is a dual credential program that leads to licenses in both Early Childhood Education and Early Childhood Special Education.

† The GWTeach program is an undergraduate minor in STEM teaching that leads to licensure in Secondary Math or Secondary Science. Acceptance to the program requires concurrent enrollment in specific undergraduate degree programs or completion of specific undergraduate coursework at the university.

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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 and Spanish)	Y	Y	
Music (Instrumental and 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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Early Childhood Education	N/A	N/A	Y
Elementary Education			Y

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

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

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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

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

Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Licensure/Non-degree*
Music—Vocal and Instrumental (all grades)	N/A	N/A	Y
Secondary Biology			Y
Secondary Chemistry			Y
Secondary Computer Science			Y
Secondary English			Y
Secondary General Science			Y
Secondary Mathematics			Y
Secondary Physics			Y
Secondary Social Studies			Y
Special Education (Non-Categorical)		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	
Secondary Education	N	Y	
Special Education (Non-Categorical)	N	Y	

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

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

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

PROGRAM	EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER	American University	The Catholic University of America	Gallaudet University	Georgetown University Educator Preparation Program	The George Washington University	Howard University	Inspired Teaching Residency	iteachD.C.	KIPP DC—Capital Teaching Residency	Relay Graduate School of Education	Teach For America—D.C.	TEACH-NOW Graduate School of Education	Trinity University	University of the District of Columbia	Urban Teachers
Secondary Computer Science													N			
Secondary Education														T		
Secondary English		T	T	T		TN	T		N		N	N	N		T	N
Secondary General Science				T		TN†			N		N		N			
Secondary Mathematics		T	T	T		TN†	T		N		N	N	N		T	N
Secondary Physics		T				TN†	T						N			
Secondary Science															T	
Secondary Social Studies		T	T	T		TN	T		N		N		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	N	N	T	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

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