



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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**EDUCATION**

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**Division of Teaching and Learning**

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

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## Introduction

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) grants an educator preparation provider (EPP) state approval after examining the quality of the provider and programs preparing teachers, service providers and administrators for District of Columbia pre-K through grade 12 schools; and determining that the subject area programs (SAPs) meet national or state standards for preparing candidates to enter the profession. State approval is required for EPPs in the District of Columbia offering professional preparation programs that prepare candidates who are eligible to earn an educator credential in the District of Columbia.

The state EPP and SAP approval system is designed to ensure that candidates and program completers of EPPs and SAPs who seek an educator credential in the District of Columbia receive the training and practicum experiences to enable them to provide effective and high-quality education to District of Columbia Public Schools students.

This directory is a comprehensive list of all EPPs that are approved by OSSE to recommend candidates for District of Columbia educator credentials. *This EPP directory shows only the subject area programs that lead to eligibility for an OSSE educator credential. Please see each EPP's website for information on **all** education degrees and SAPs it offers.*

For more detailed information regarding admission requirements into any of the following EPPs or SAPs, contact the specific EPP directly.

## **OSSE Higher Education Licensure Commission Approval**

An EPP operating within a postsecondary educational institution required to be licensed by the [District of Columbia Higher Education Licensure Commission \(HELC\)](#) shall maintain compliance with all applicable requirements of the Education Licensure Commission Act of 1976, DC Law 1-104, as amended, (see DC Official Code § 38-1301, et seq.) and its implementing regulations found at 5A DCMR Chapters 80-83. More information on the requirements of postsecondary educational institutions operating in the District of Columbia may be found at [helc.osse.dc.gov](http://helc.osse.dc.gov).

An EPP operating outside of a postsecondary educational institution required to be licensed by the HELC shall comply with all applicable federal or District of Columbia laws or regulations.

Please see the [OSSE website](#) for a list of state-approved EPPs and their HELC approval statuses.

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American University (AU) School of Education was granted national accreditation by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), now known as the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). AU also has state subject area program approval via OSSE and is authorized to prepare candidates for DC credentials in the subject area programs below.

Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only
Educational Administration and Leadership	N	N	Y
Early Childhood Education	N	Y	N
Elementary Education	Y		
English as a Second Language	N		
Secondary Biology	Y		
Secondary Chemistry	Y		
Secondary English			
Secondary Mathematics			
Secondary Physics			
Secondary Social Studies			
Special Education (Learning Disability)	N		

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Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only *	
Early Childhood Education	Y	N	N	
Elementary Education		Y	Y	
Secondary English			Y	Y
Secondary Mathematics				Y
Secondary Social Studies	N	Y	Y	
<b>The CUA programs below are outside the Department of Education</b>				
Music (Instrumental and Vocal)	Y	Y	Y	
School Library/Media Specialist	N		Y	

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

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**City Teaching Alliance is approved by OSSE and is authorized to prepare candidates for DC credentials in the subject area programs below.**

Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree*	Non-degree; credential only
Early Childhood Education <sup>+</sup>	N	Y	N
Elementary Education <sup>+</sup>			
Middle School English <sup>+</sup>			
Middle School Mathematics <sup>+</sup>			
Secondary English <sup>+</sup>			
Secondary Mathematics <sup>+</sup>			
Special Education (Non-Categorical)	N	N	Y

<sup>+</sup> Each City Teaching Alliance program is a dual credential program that leads to credentials in both the subject area program and Special Education (Non-Categorical).

\* Program completers earn a master's degree via a partnership with American University.

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Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only
Early Childhood Education	Y	Y	N
Elementary Education			
Secondary Biology			
Secondary Chemistry			
Secondary English			
Secondary General Science			
Secondary Mathematics			
Secondary Social Studies	Y	N	
Special Education (Deaf and Hard of Hearing)			N
<b>The GU program below is outside the Department of Education</b>			
School Psychology	N	Y	N

# Georgetown University Teacher Residency Program

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Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only
English as a Second Language	N	Y	N



# The George Washington University

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The George Washington (GW) University Graduate School of Education and Human Development is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). GW also has state subject area program approval via OSSE and is authorized to prepare candidates for DC credentials in the subject area programs below.

Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only*
Early Childhood Education <sup>+</sup>	N	Y	N
Early Childhood Special Education <sup>+</sup>			Y
Educational Administration and Leadership			N
Elementary Education	Y	N	N
GWTeach – Math <sup>+</sup>			
GWTeach – Science <sup>+</sup>	N	Y	
School Counselor			
Special Education (Emotional Behavioral Disabilities)			
Special Education for Cultural Responsiveness and Equity in Teaching			

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

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

*† The GWTeach program is an undergraduate minor in STEM teaching that leads to a credential 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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Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only*
Educational Administration and Leadership	N	Y	N
Elementary Education	Y	N	
School Psychology	N	Y	
Secondary English Education	Y	N	Y
Secondary Mathematics Education			
Secondary Social Studies Education			

\*Howard University School of Education offers secondary education minors that result in credentials in Secondary English Education, Secondary Mathematics Education and Secondary Social Studies Education. Students who choose a secondary education minor are required to complete an undergraduate degree.

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Special Education (Non-Categorical)			

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Moreland University is nationally recognized by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC) and accredited by the Council for the Accreditation for Educator Preparation (CAEP). Moreland University also has state subject area program approval via OSSE and is authorized to prepare candidates for DC credentials in the subject area disciplines below.

Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree*	Non-degree; credential only
Art (all grades)	N	N	Y
Early Childhood Education			
Elementary Education			
Elementary Mathematics Resource (Endorsement)			
English as a Second Language (all grades)			
Health and Physical Education (all grades)			
Middle School General Education			
Middle School English			
Middle School Mathematics			
Middle School Science			
Middle School Social Studies			
Modern Foreign Languages			
Music (Instrumental and Vocal; all grades)			

Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only*
Secondary Biology	N	N	Y
Secondary Chemistry			
Secondary Computer Science			
Secondary English			
Secondary General Science			
Secondary Mathematics			
Secondary Physics			
Secondary Social Studies			
Special Education (Non-Categorical)			

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Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only
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Elementary Education			
Secondary English			
Secondary General Science			
Secondary Mathematics			
Secondary Social Studies			
Special Education (Non-Categorical)			

# Trinity Washington University

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Trinity Washington University (TWU) School of Education is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). TWU is also approved via OSSE and is authorized to prepare candidates for DC credentials in the subject area programs below.

Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only
Early Childhood Education	Y	Y	N
Educational Administration and Leadership	N		
Elementary Education	Y		
Special Education (Non-Categorical)	N		
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School Counselor	N	Y	N



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Subject Area Program	Undergraduate Degree	Graduate Degree	Non-degree; credential only
Adult Education	N	N*	Y
Early Childhood Education	Y		
Elementary Education			
Middle School Science	N	Y	N
Music (Instrumental and Vocal)			
Secondary English			
Secondary Mathematics			
Secondary Science	Y	N	
Secondary Social Studies			
Special Education (Non-Categorical)	Y	N	
<b>The UDC program below is outside the Education Department</b>			
School Counseling	N	Y	N

*\*Program completers may opt to continue coursework to earn a master's degree. Please check with the EPP to confirm.*

SUBJECT AREA PROGRAM	EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER											
	American University	The Catholic University of America	City Teaching Alliance	Gallaudet University	Georgetown University Teacher Residency Program	The George Washington University	Howard University	KIPP DC—Capital Teaching Residency	Moreland University	Relay Graduate School of Education DC	Trinity Washington University	University of the District of Columbia
Adult Education												T
Art									A			
Early Childhood Education	T	T	A	T		T		A	A	A	T	T
Early Childhood Special Education						T						
Educational Administration and Leadership	T					T	T				T	
Elementary Education	T	T	A	T		T	T		A	A	T	T
Elementary Mathematics Resource									A			
English as a Second Language	T				A				A			
Foreign Language (Modern Languages)									A			
Health and Physical Education									A			
Middle School General Education									A			
Middle School English			A						A			
Middle School Mathematics			A						A			
Middle School Science									A			T
Middle School Social Studies									A			
Music – Instrumental		T							A			T
Music - Vocal		T							A			T
School Counselor						T					T	T
School Library/Media Specialist		T										
School Psychologist				T			T					
Secondary Biology	T			T		T†			A			
Secondary Chemistry	T			T		T†			A			
Secondary Computer Science									A			
Secondary English	T	T	A	T			T		A	A		T

SUBJECT AREA PROGRAM	EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER											
	American University	The Catholic University of America	City Teaching Alliance	Gallaudet University	Georgetown University Teacher Residency Program	The George Washington University	Howard University	KIPP DC—Capital Teaching Residency	Moreland University	Relay Graduate School of Education DC	Trinity Washington University	University of the District of Columbia
Secondary General Science				T		T†			A	A		
Secondary Mathematics	T	T	A	T		T†	T		A	A		T
Secondary Physics	T					T†			A			
Secondary Science						T†						T
Secondary Social Studies	T	T		T			T		A	A		T
Special Education (Deaf and Hard of Hearing)				T								
Special Education (Learning Disability)	T											
Special Education (Non-Categorical)			A					A	A	A	T	T
Special Education (Emotional and Behavioral Disabilities)						T						
Special Education for Cultural Responsiveness and Equity in Teaching						T						

**Matrix Key**

- T Offered as a traditional route educator preparation program** - Candidates in the program complete preparation before entering the classroom as a teacher, administrator or service provider of record.
- A Offered as an alternate route educator preparation program** - Candidates in the program actively serve in the role of teacher or administrator while completing an educator preparation program.
- TA Offered as a traditional and alternate route educator preparation program**

*† The GWTeach program is an undergraduate minor in STEM teaching that leads to a credential 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.*