

Language Credentialing

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American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE) - Interim Certificate (ID)

Description

At this time, American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE) is the only computer-based alternate route to teacher certification. ABCTE is designed as an avenue to enter the teaching profession or to add additional certificates or endorsements to an existing Idaho teaching credential. The candidate MUST hold a Bachelor's degree prior to enrolling in ABCTE.

Certificate Valid for 3 Years

Employment: Not Required

Reciprocity

The following states may accept this route:

Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming

State Information

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For more information please visit the state website: <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/cert-psc/cert/apply/non-trad.html>

Notes

For further information regarding ABCTE, refer to the ABCTE website at: www.abcte.org Employment is not required to obtain the 3 year certificate but employers must be aware of the conditional status of the certificate and the need to supply a mentor. Graduates of Accredited Degree-Granting Institutions of the "Accredited Institutions of Postsecondary Education" with a valid/current teaching certificate/license from an institution outside the U.S. may be issued a non-renewable, 3-year Interim Certificate.

Minimum Academic Background

In most states, teachers must have a minimum academic background for certification.

The following is required for this route:

Completed BA Degree

Notes

As of 2016, No Basic Skills Exams Required

Teacher Preparation

In most states, teachers are required to complete training in education methods through a teacher program.

The following is required for this route:

State Approved Teacher Education Program

Content Language and English Language Proficiency

In most states, teachers are required to submit evidence of content language proficiency and English language proficiency through coursework, exams, or degree evaluations.

The following is required for this route:

Content Language Proficiency:

Exam(s): Exams are language specific.

- [ACTFL OPI](#)
Arabic, Cambodian, Chinese-Cantonese, Chinese-Mandarin, Croatian, Czech, Dutch, Egyptian, English, Greek, Haitian Creole, Hebrew, Hindi, Hmong, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Lao, Polish, Portuguese, Punjabi, Russian, Serbian, Swahili, Filipino/Tagalog, Thai, Turkish, Urdu, Vietnamese
- [Praxis II \(French, German, Spanish\)](#)

Accept Scores from Out of State

Additional Requirements for this route include the following:

Reading:

Course needed: Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course

Technology:

Contingent upon Transcript Evaluation

Notes:

State may review transcripts to determine content language proficiency. Upon completion of the computer-based certification process, the individual will be awarded an interim certificate from the State Department of Education's Bureau of Certification/Professional Standards. Upon completion of the ABCTE assessment process and receipt of the ABCTE "Passport to Teaching Certificate", the candidate may submit an application for a three (3)-year Idaho Interim credential/certificate to the State Department of Education.

Applying to the State

In most states, teachers must apply to the state Individually or through their local School District, or Teacher Program Institution. Requirements for the application are outlined below:

Application Submission: Individual

Form at: <http://www.uidaho.edu/~media/Files/orgs/CALS/Department/AEE/B1%20Initial%20Prof%20Ed%20Credential.ashx>

Form Mailing Address:

State Department of Education Teacher Certification P.O. Box 83720 Boise, Idaho 83720-0027

School District Requirements:

Confirmation of Mentor

Copy of Academic Transcripts: Required

Copy of International Teaching License/Certificate/Credential: Required

Accepted with Transcript Evaluation

Copy of International Records: Required

Transcript Evaluation Required

URL: http://langcred.org/resources/transcript-evaluation/?fwp_agency_accepted_by_states=idaho

**Background Check
Required**

Renewal: Nonrenewable

Interim certification is only available on a one (1) time basis per individual. It will be the responsibility of the individual to obtain full Idaho Teacher Certification during the three (3) year interim certification term.

Notes:

Processing time is estimated. B1 - Application for an Idaho Certificate/Credential) Upon Completion of the online program at ABCTE.org. The applicant may apply for a Interim Certificate valid for 3 years. Cost of the online program is \$2850.00.

To obtain a fingerprint card email Brenda Arnold at fingerprintrequest@sde.idaho.gov with mailing address. Once applicant receives the fingerprint card, he/she must take it to a local police department or sheriff's office to have prints rolled on the card. Applicants then return the fingerprint card, \$40 fee, and forms with the Idaho teacher application packet.

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GENERAL NOTES FOR THIS ROUTE

The Alternative Authorization Computer-Based Interim Certificate is valid for 3 years, after which, the applicant must apply for an Initial Teaching certificate which is valid for 5 years and is renewable. The American Board is a teaching certification program designed specifically for career changers. Certification is offered in a variety of subject areas and offers a customized study plan for each candidate. Candidates must: Hold a Bachelor's degree in any subject area from an approved college or university Pass a background check Pass the American Board Professional Teaching Knowledge exam Pass the American Board subject area exam (in the candidate's chosen subject area) Candidates study on their own time and at their own pace using a variety of resources, including practice exams, online refresher courses, and our Prepare to Teach workshops. Candidates receive a study plan and program checklist, plus additional resources and ongoing program support throughout the certification process.