

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO BECOMING A CERTIFICATED TEACHER

**For 2023-24
CityU**

WHY ALTERNATIVE ROUTES

- **Districts can “grow their own” teachers.**
- **Diversify the teacher workforce.**
- **Fill shortage areas.**
- **Promote educators with experience working with kids in schools.**

THE DIFFERENT ALT. ROUTES

Routes 2, 3, 4

- Classified Staff – **Route 2**
- Career Changers (includes folks teaching at private schools) – **Route 3**
- District staff with conditional or emergency substitute certificate – **Route 4**

Route 1

- Classified staff with AA degrees or 90 qualifying credits

CityU also has traditional BAEd and Masters in Teaching (MIT) programs

INITIAL CERTIFICATES W/ENDORSEMENTS

Content areas

- Special Education (P-12)
- ELL (K-12)*
- Math (M-L or HS)
- Reading

- Elementary (K-8)** *only in combination with one of the four, above*

Dual endorsement options

- Combine any of the two endorsements on the left-hand list
- ELL must be combined with another endorsement
- Since we focus on shortage areas, you need to have at least one non-Elementary endorsement
- Add a “test only” endorsement to any of endorsements on the left-hand list

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS - ROUTE 2, 3, 4

Cert. only – non degree

- 4 quarters, beginning summer quarter
- Saturday classes (Edmonds or Tacoma)
- Intense 8 Saturdays in summer quarter
- 4 Saturdays/quarter in fall, winter, spring

Cert. with M.Ed. option

- *Same set up as Cert. only, but . . .*
 - Saturday – locations/times TBD (likely same as Cert. only)
 - Masters Level classes
 - 25-30% more expensive
 - 4 shortage content credits included in Alt. Route year
 - You can start the MED part of the program in fall or spring

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS 2, 3, 4 – (cont.)

Cert. only – non degree

- Full-time apprenticeships/residencies Oct. thru end of school year in classrooms arranged with your district with growing responsibility as the year continues; must include at least 16 weeks of clinical experience (8 weeks in each endorsement)
- Continue to work during part/most of school year
- 24 credits

Cert. with M.Ed. option

- *Same as first two bullets to the left*
- Courses automatically apply towards an MEd in Specialized Study should you choose to pursue it before or after Alt. Route completion and you've obtained your certificate (capstone project can only be completed after Alt. Routes program is complete)
- 24 credits +
- *15 additional MED credits*

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS – ROUTE 1

For those without a Bachelor's degree

- Enrolled in CityU's Bachelor's Program
- Online classes supplemented by regular Saturday morning facilitated work sessions and in person classes at one of our campuses (Edmonds, Tacoma, Vancouver)
- 7-8 quarter program
- Ability, if District agrees, to continue "on the job" during part/most of internships and student teaching

COST OF PROGRAM

Routes 2, 3, 4

- Tuition about \$11,000 for the year*
- Tuition front-loaded (*12 of 24 credits in summer qtr.*)
- Remember: You may be able to remain “on the job” for part of the year
- Master’s Alt. Route option: price tbd (~\$14,000*) with credit towards your master’s degree (~\$8000 additional)

Route 1

- Regular tuition in the \$30-\$36K range*
- Eligible for Financial Aid
- Remember: You may be able to remain “on the job” for a good part of your two years (*less second year than first*)

* Tuition per credit set later in the spring

* West and NES exam fees up to \$500; Edthena video platform \$190; few textbooks

SPECIAL FEATURES

Focus: inspiring,
reflective teaching

Instructors who
teach in K-12

Local faculty
support

Two + decades of
Alt. Routes
experience

State Block Grant
(seven districts –
includes Renton)

Incorporates real-
life & professional
experiences

Diversity

High placement
rates

CULTIVAR Initiative for
Latina/o/x educators

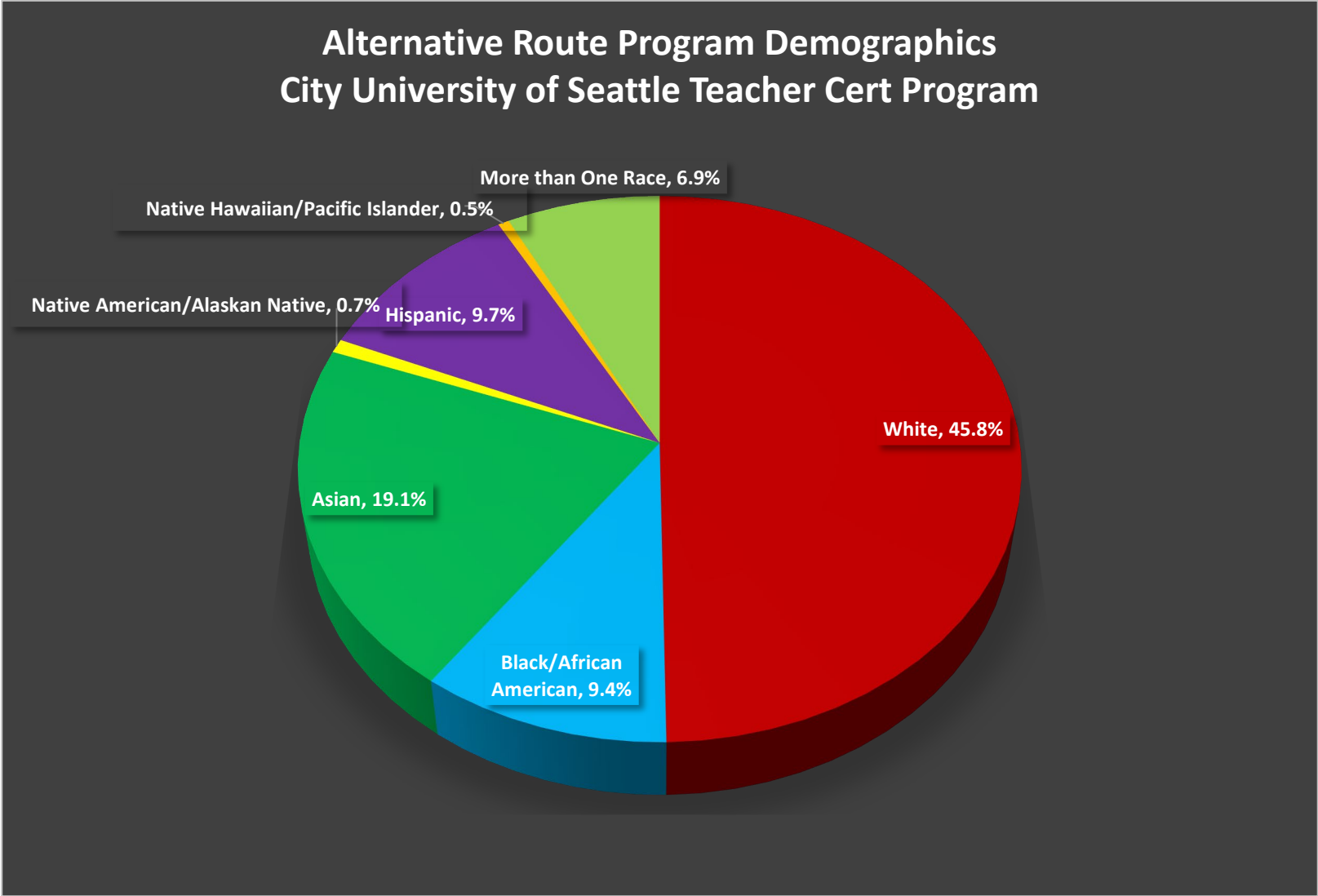
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for fluent
Chinese/Korean
speakers

15% discount for
employees of
selected school
districts

Saturday classes

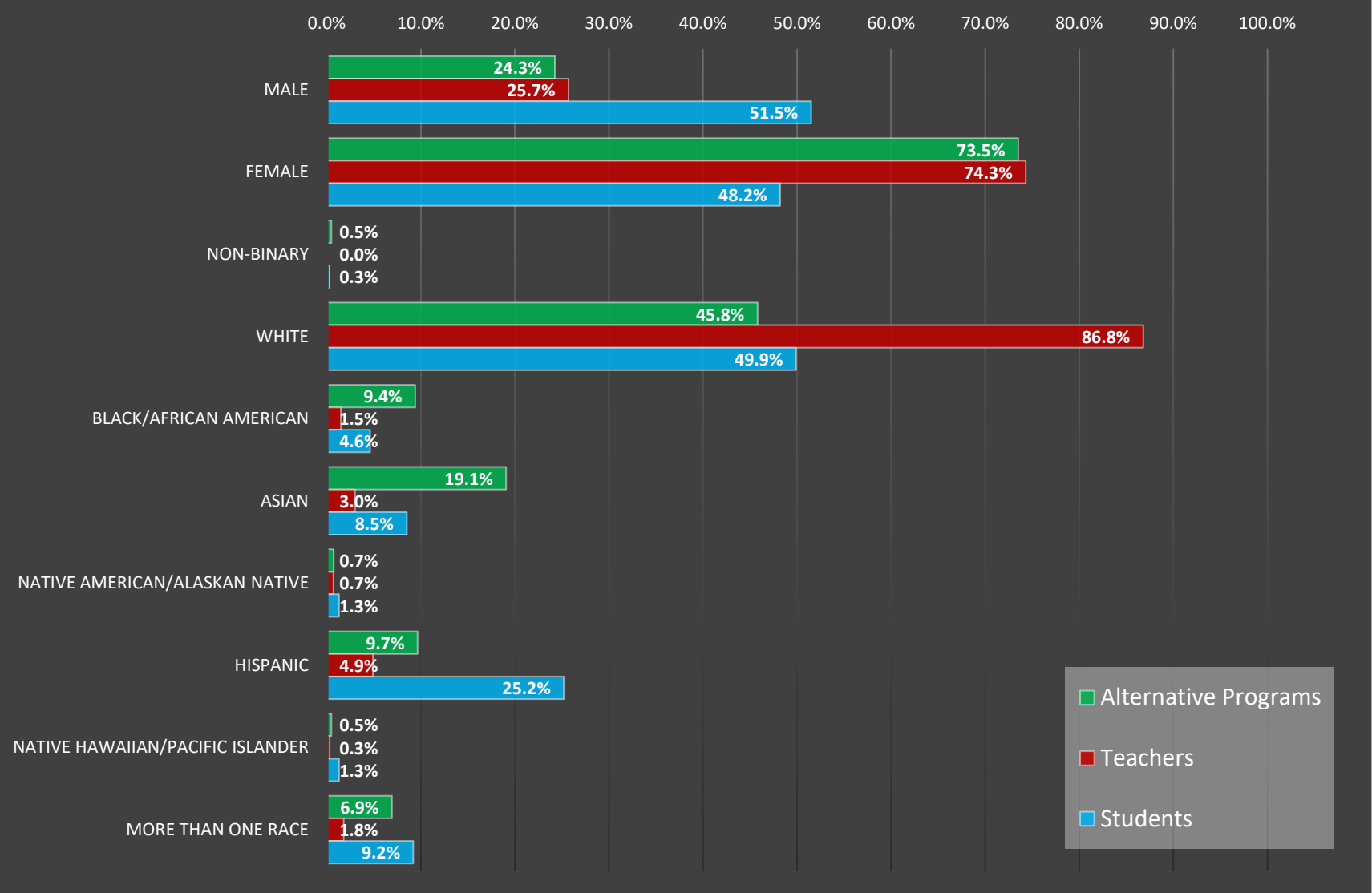
Diversity in detail:

CITYU TEACHER PROGRAM ENROLLMENT



Diversity in detail:

CHANGING THE TEACHING PROFESSION





WHAT TO DO NOW?

Application deadline approaching

**Let your principal
and District HR
know you are
interested**

**Start application:
Connect with
CityU advisor**

**Tests: Register,
Prep, Take**



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