

## Routes to a Florida Professional Certificate

<p><b><u>Initial Teacher Preparation (ITP) Program</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Florida state-approved initial teacher preparation program at the undergraduate or graduate level <b>AND</b></li> <li>Passing scores on the General Knowledge (GK) Test, the Professional Education (Prof Ed) Test, and the Subject Area Examination (SAE)</li> <li><a href="http://www.fldoe.org/profdev/teachprep/teachprep.asp">http://www.fldoe.org/profdev/teachprep/teachprep.asp</a></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Educator Preparation Institute (EPI)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Florida state-approved Educator Preparation Institute program at the post-baccalaureate level <b>AND</b></li> <li>Passing scores on the GK, Prof Ed and SAE</li> <li><a href="http://fldoe.org/teaching/preparation/epi.stml">http://fldoe.org/teaching/preparation/epi.stml</a></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Professional Training Option (PTO)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professional Training Option at the undergraduate or graduate level <b>AND</b></li> <li>An approved Professional Education Competence (PEC) demonstration program at a Florida public, state-supported, or state- approved private school while employed as a teacher under a valid Temporary Certificate <b>AND</b></li> <li>One year of full-time teaching experience in an elementary or secondary public, state-supported, or state-approved private school OR six semester hours earned in college student teaching or a supervised internship <b>AND</b></li> <li>Passing scores on the GK, Prof Ed and SAE</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Out-of-State Approved Teacher Education Program</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teacher preparation program from an accredited or approved college or university in another U.S. state or territory <b>AND</b></li> <li>Passing scores on the GK, Prof Ed and SAE</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A valid certificate issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards</li> <li><a href="http://www.nbpts.org/in-your-state/in-your-state/fl/">http://www.nbpts.org/in-your-state/in-your-state/fl/</a></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>College Teaching Experience</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two (2) semesters of acceptable college teaching experience <b>AND</b></li> <li>Passing scores on the ProfEd and SAE</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>District Professional Development Certification Program (PDCP)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Florida state-approved District Professional Development Certification Program provided by a Florida public school district <b>AND</b></li> <li>Passing scores on the GK, Prof Ed and SAE <b>AND</b></li> <li>Participate while employed as a teacher in a Florida public school district under a valid Florida Temporary Certificate</li> <li><a href="http://www.altcertflorida.org/">http://www.altcertflorida.org/</a></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A valid certificate issued by the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence <b>AND</b></li> <li>An approved Professional Education Competence (PEC) demonstration program at a Florida public, state-supported, or state- approved private school while employed as a teacher under a valid Florida Temporary Certificate</li> <li><a href="http://www.abcte.org/teach/florida">http://www.abcte.org/teach/florida</a></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Professional Preparation – College Coursework</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A minimum of 15 semester hours of education courses as specified in <a href="#">State Board of Education Rule 6A-4.006</a> at an accredited or approved college or university <b>AND</b></li> <li>An approved Professional Education Competence (PEC) demonstration program at a Florida public, state-supported, or state- approved private school while employed as a teacher under a valid Temporary Certificate <b>AND</b></li> <li>One year of full-time teaching experience in an elementary or secondary public, state-supported, or state-approved private school OR six semester hours earned in college student teaching or a supervised internship <b>AND</b></li> <li>Passing scores on the GK, Prof Ed and SAE</li> <li><a href="http://www.fldoe.org/teaching/certification/general-cert-requirements/professional-preparation-edu-competenc.stml">http://www.fldoe.org/teaching/certification/general-cert-requirements/professional-preparation-edu-competenc.stml</a></li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Science, Technology, Engineering, &amp; Math (STEM)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hold a master’s degree in a STEM field</li> <li>Teach an approved high school STEM course with a 6-12 STEM certification</li> <li>Passing scores on the GK, Prof Ed and SAE</li> <li>Earn a highly effective rating based in part on student performance on a national or state assessment (AP, AICE, EOC, IB) for the STEM high school course</li> </ul>		

KEY: GK- General Knowledge Test

ProfEd- Professional Education Test

SAE- Subject Area Exam