

Alternative Route to Licensure Program



Agenda

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What is ARL?

- An alternate pathway to the classroom for non-education degree holders. Designed to reduce teacher shortages in high need areas
- This benefits you by allowing you to work as a contracted teacher while completing the state licensure requirements.
- Our students benefit from having teachers with degrees and life experiences outside of education.

What ARL is Not

- It is not a way to reduce the license requirements. – You must meet the state license requirements; you just have a different timeline.
- It is not a way to skip student teaching – the state counts your contracted teaching experience to meet this requirement. The difference between student teaching and ARL experience, with student teaching, as long as you pass, the state will accept it, with an ARL program, you must obtain two effective evaluations, while working in your ARL area of licensure.

ARL Program Options

- 12 Approved ARL programs in Nevada
 - College Based
 - Self-contained, not college based
 - Pre-service/Hybrid program
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Selecting an ARL Program

- License Track
- Learning Style
- Pre-Service Requirements
- Cost

Selecting an ARL Program: License Track

- You must work in your ARL license area for a minimum of 2 years, full-time.
- There is not an ARL program for every available license in Nevada
- You can only hold a single ARL license

Selecting an ARL Program: Learning Style

- In-person – UNR
- Online
 - Asynchronous
 - Synchronous

Selecting an ARL Program:

Pre-service/Prerequisites

- WCSD – 120-hour internship/120-Hour classes
- iTeach – 2-3 self-paced modules
- Great Basin – Enrollment in the program

Selecting an ARL Program: Cost

- College Based
- Self-Contained
- Hybrid

Who should enroll in the WCSD ARL Pre-service Program

- Limited Experience in the classroom
- Want to ease into teaching
- Experience the classroom before committing

Qualifying for the WCSD ARL Program

- Conferred bachelor's degree (all ARL programs)
- No prior student teaching
- No previous teacher license
- CBEST, Praxis Core, GRE or SAT/ACT within the last 9.5 years
- WCSD ARL program requires you to work for WCSD for duration of your ARL license

WCSD ARL Areas of Licensure

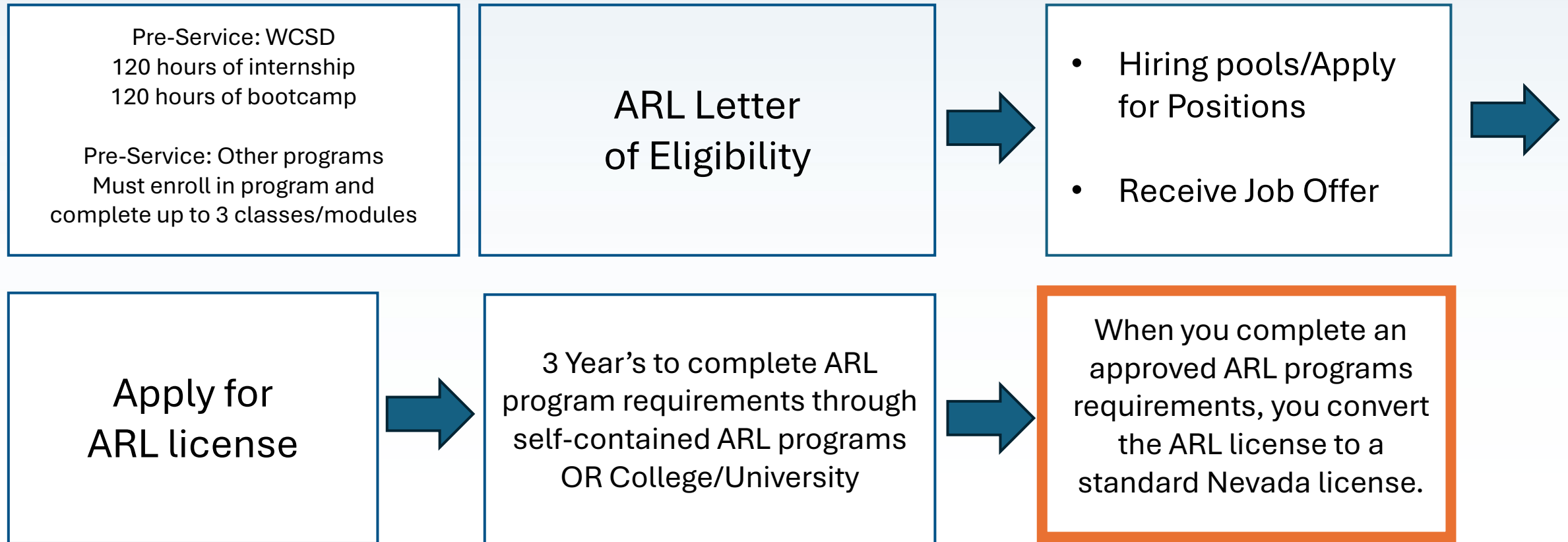
- Early Childhood Education (Birth to 2nd grade)
- Elementary (K-8 – will be changing to K-5 in near future)
- Music (K-12)
- Special Education (K-12)
 - Generalist (General Resource, CLS, and SIP)
 - Early Childhood Developmentally Delayed
 - Autism (PreK - High School Strategies classrooms)
 - Hearing Impairment (Deaf & Hard of Hearing)

WCSD ARL Areas of Licensure Cont.

- Instrumental and Vocal Music (7-12)
- Math (7-12)
- Biological Science (7-12)
- Physical Science (7-12)
- Physical Education (7-12)
- World Languages (7-12) Spanish, French, Chinese, and German

ARL Path

Pre-service ➡ Eligible to Apply for ARL license ➡ Hiring Pools/Job Offer ➡ ARL College Coursework



WCSD ARL FAQs

- How much does the WCSD's Pre-Service Program cost?
 - Pre-service – internship/bootcamp – no cost to participant
 - CBEST – \$90 or Praxis Core – \$270
 - Substitute License \$200
- How long does it take?
- Am I guaranteed a teaching position in WCSD?
- If I go through WCSD's ARL program, can I work in another school district?
- I want to teach a content area that you do not offer.
- Do I have to take college courses?
- Can I transfer my ARL program to another state?

To enroll in the WCSD ARL program, upload your completed Cohort Registration Packet and college transcripts, showing completion of a bachelor's degree or higher, to the attachment section of your WCSD application then notify Debbie Walter at Dwalter@washoeschools.net

**For additional information or
for a WCSD ARL enrollment packet
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