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Teacher Certification

Requirements for NYS Teacher Certification

- ❑ Baccalaureate degree
- ❑ Certification program including:
 - ✓ 100 hours of field experience (150 hours for Inclusive Programs)
 - ✓ Student Teaching
 - ✓ Professional Education
 - ✓ Cognates (for Childhood Inclusive Program)
 - ✓ Foreign Language →
- ❑ New York State Teacher Certification Exams
- ❑ Identification of Child Abuse workshop (PRO 370 or HLS 301)
- ❑ School Violence Prevention Training or SAVE (PRO 370 or HLS 301) →
- ❑ Fingerprinting
- ❑ Application for Certification including:
 - ✓ \$50 credit card or

New York State Teacher Certification Exams

- ❑ **Liberal Arts and Science Test (LAST)**
 - ✓ May be taken at any time after completion of general education requirements
- ❑ **Assessment of Teaching Skills Written (ATS-W)**
 - ✓ Should not be taken until student teaching semester
- ❑ **Content Specialty Test (CST)**
 - ✓ May be taken after completion of major requirements and/or cognates
 - ✓ Candidates in Inclusive Programs must take Students With Disabilities (SWD) CST as well as content area
- Each test is \$88 if registered for by the regular registration deadline
- For more information or to register online, go to:

Fingerprinting

Fingerprinting can be done during the student teaching semester.

The NYSED fee for fingerprinting is currently \$94.25. There may be an additional fee for having your fingerprints prepared. A new process is being implemented by NYSED. We will keep candidates updated as information becomes available.

Application Process

You will complete a Brockport application during student teaching. That application will open your Office of Certification file. Once you have completed the degree and/or certification requirements (graduate programs), you will be sent directions regarding how to apply online.

Cost of Certification

NYSTCE	\$88 x # of exams (3-4)	\$264- 352
Fingerprinting		94.25
College Endorsed Applications	\$50 x # of certificates	\$50-150
Minimum Cost		\$408.25-
596.25		
(Additional certifications thru Individual Pathway \$100 each)		

Office of Certification
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Requirements for an Additional Certificate (in most title areas)

Once you have an initial certificate, in order to qualify for an additional teaching certificate (in most title areas in grades 7-12 or PreK-12) you will need 30 credit hours in the content area of the additional certificate sought and a passing score on the Content Specialty Test for that certification.

Example: If you are in the Childhood Inclusive certification program and your major is Mathematics, then you may take the CST in Mathematics and apply for a teaching certificate in Mathematics grades 7-12.

The College at Brockport cannot give you the endorsement for the additional certificate. You will be applying for the certificate through direct application to the state using the "Pathway: Individual Evaluation for an Additional Certificate."

Requirements for the Middle Childhood 5-6 Extension (to a 7-12 certificate only)

- EDI 4/545, 4/546, 4/547, 4/548 or 449, Inclusive Middle Level Teaching
- PSH 4/584
Adolescence Psychology

UNDERGRADUATE CANDIDATES...

Graduate schools, in general, require an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher for admission to their programs.

Take your GPA seriously; it could affect your career!

Professional Certification Requirements

Your initial certificate will be valid for 5 years. In those 5 years, you must meet the requirements for professional certification, which include:

- **Master's Degree**
 - Any program registered in NYS leading to education certification
 - A program in the content or related area of your initial certificate
 - Any master's degree program (not in the categories above) and 12 credits in the content or related area of your initial certificate.
- **Three years of paid, professional teaching experience**
- **180 days of substitute teaching= one year of teaching experience**

*The College at Brockport Office
of Certification website:*

www.brockport.edu/professions/certification

*New York State Education
Department Office of Teaching
Initiatives website:*

www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert