

## Information on Delaware Public School Educator Credentials for Non-Education Majors

# Delaware's Alternative Routes to Certification (ARTC)

If you did not complete Student Teaching as part of an approved educator preparation program, you may be eligible for educator credentials under a Delaware Alternative Route. Delaware currently has four alternative licensure and certification options.

### 1. The Alternative Routes to Certification Program

<http://www.artc.udel.edu> supports Delaware public and charter schools in certain subject areas where there is a shortage of certified teachers (critical needs areas). Schools may hire individuals to teach a subject in which they already have an appropriate academic degree and then enroll them in ARTC to complete certification requirements at the University of Delaware while they are teaching.

### 2. The Masters Plus Certification Program

<http://www.education.udel.edu/masters/exceptional-children-and-youth/mpcp/> in Special Education is designed for individuals with non-education college degrees who are currently employed as paraeducators in a Delaware school who want to complete special education certification. The Masters program is completed at the University of Delaware.

### 3. Teach For America Program (TFA)

<https://www.teachforamerica.org/where-we-work/delaware> recruits recent college graduates of all majors and career interests and working professionals to commit two years to teach in low-income urban and rural public schools. TFA invests in training and professional development to ensure teachers success in high-poverty communities. Corps members are placed in Delaware, and the program is completed through Wilmington University.

### 4. RELAY/GSE

<http://www.relay.edu/campuses/delaware> offers a Master of Arts in Teaching in a variety of subjects including K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies. New teachers eligible for state certification may receive alternate route certification upon completion of year one of the M.A.T. program.



Find out more at [JoinDelawareSchools.org](http://JoinDelawareSchools.org)

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