



## HELPFUL SITES:

**Apply on DEEDS** before submitting documents. There is a \$100 application fee:

<https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us>

Professional Standards Board (PSB):  
<http://www.doe.k12.de.us/domain/172>

PSB Regulations governing licensure and certification:  
<http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title14/1500>

Join Delaware Schools is the statewide educational recruitment portal. Create an account, find vacancies, and apply for jobs:  
<http://www.joindelawareschools.org>

DE public school districts and charter schools by county:  
<https://pubapps.doe.k12.de.us/EducationalDirectoryPublic/pages/Districts/Default.aspx>

Educational Testing Services (ETS) - Core Academic Skills for Educators and Praxis II. Use reporting code **R-7065** to send scores to Delaware DOE:  
<http://www.ets.org/praxis/de/requirements>

Language Testing International (ACTFL Oral & Written proficiency tests):  
<http://www.languagetesting.com>

An official NACES member foreign evaluation report is required for all non-US degrees. For additional information:  
[https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us/certificate/deeds\\_nonuscred.aspx](https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us/certificate/deeds_nonuscred.aspx)

National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES):  
<http://www.naces.org/members.html>

This information is provided as a summary only. For detailed information, visit Title 14 of Delaware Code (<http://delcode.delaware.gov/title14/>) or Administrative Code - Professional Standards Board Regulations (<http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title14/1500/index.shtml#TopOfPage>).

# LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

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In Delaware you must hold both a **License** and at least one **Certificate**. The License authorizes you to work in a Delaware public/charter school, and the Certificate identifies the area you are authorized to practice.

**APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION are accepted online only through our** Delaware Educator Data System (DEEDS). There is a \$100 application fee. To apply: <https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us>.

#### **GENERAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited four-year institution.
- Completion of student teaching as part of a Teacher Prep Program.
- Passing score on Praxis Core Academic Skills Test or approved alternative.
- Passing score on a Content Knowledge Exam (Praxis II, ACTFL).
- Passing score on a PPAT or edTPA Performance Assessment Exam.

#### **Alternative Routes (no student teaching):**

- DE employment and enrollment in a DE-approved Alternative Route Program; **OR**
- DE employment and one year in lieu of student teaching in a non-core content area.
- For more information on DE Alternative Routes:  
[https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us/registration/deeds\\_reg\\_artc.aspx](https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us/registration/deeds_reg_artc.aspx)

#### **TESTING REQUIREMENTS:**

(Must be met before License/Certificate can be issued.)

- **General Knowledge Exam:**  
Core Academic Skills for Educators Reading, Writing and Mathematics (or approved alternative) are required for licensure. National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) educators and out-of-state educators with reciprocal credentials are exempt.
- **Content Knowledge Exam:**  
Applicants must pass an examination of content knowledge, such as Praxis II or ACTFL when applicable and available. NBPTS educators and out-of-state educators with reciprocal credentials are exempt.
- **Performance Assessment:**  
A passing score on PPAT or edTPA will be required.

#### **DELAWARE OFFERS FOUR (4) LICENSES:**

**Provisional License** - Issued to an educator who has less than one-year teaching experience. Upon employment, the Provisional License is activated and valid for one year. A Performance Assessment, mentoring, and a satisfactory evaluation are required to move to a three-year Initial License.

**Initial License** - Issued to an educator who has less than three years of experience and has completed a Performance Assessment. Upon employment, the Initial License is activated and valid for four years. Mentoring and satisfactory evaluations are required.

**Continuing License** - This is a five-year renewable license and may be obtained through one of the following options:

- Upgrade from an Initial License; **OR**
- Hold reciprocal credentials from another state, have three years of full-time credentialed teaching experience in that state, and two satisfactory summative evaluations equal to DE evaluations.

Ninety clock hours are required to renew a Continuing License every five years.

**Advanced License** - This ten-year license may only be obtained by holding current National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) certification. Educators are not required to obtain an Advanced License.

#### **DELAWARE OFFERS TWO (2) CERTIFICATES:**

**Standard Certificate** – All requirements are met.

**Emergency Certificate** – Requirements outstanding.

- Educator must be employed by a Delaware public/charter school.
- Emergency must be requested by the employer.
- Emergency is valid for one school year.