

Language Credentialing

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International Faculty License (NC)

Description

International Faculty Licenses may be issued to individuals on a cultural exchange visa who hold at least a baccalaureate degree earned at the equivalent of a regionally accredited institution and meet their countries' requirements for qualified teachers and have at least two years of actual classroom teaching experience may be issued an International Faculty license for a maximum of three years.

License Valid for 3 years

J-1 visa

Employment: Not Required

State Information

State: North Carolina

Contact Name: Licensure Section

Contact Phone: 800-577-7994 within NC / 919-807-3310 outside NC

Contact Email: asklicensure@dpi.nc.gov

For more information please visit the state website: <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/licensure/beginning/>

Minimum Academic Background

In most states, teachers must have a minimum academic background for certification.

The following is required for this route:

BA Degree + Completed State Approved Teacher Education Program

Prior Certification: Must Hold Current (STATE) Certification

Notes

As of 2016, No Basic Skills Exams Required

Teacher Preparation

In most states, teachers are required to complete training in education methods through a teacher program.

The following is required for this route:

State Approved Teacher Education Program

Work Experience

In some states, teachers are required to provide evidence of work experience.

The following is required for this route:

3 years years.

Content Language and English Language Proficiency

In most states, teachers are required to submit evidence of content language proficiency and English language proficiency through coursework, exams, or degree evaluations.

The following is required for this route:

Content Language Proficiency:

Exam(s):

- [ACTFL OPI WPT](#)
Japanese, Chinese-Mandarin, Italian, Russian

Accept Scores from Out of State

English Language Proficiency: Oral, Written, English Language Proficiency determined by the host program

Notes:

Teachers issued the International Faculty license may have their native language added to their license by earning a rating of at least "Intermediate High" proficiency on the ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Oral Proficiency Test.

Applying to the State

In most states, teachers must apply to the state Individually or through their local School District, or Teacher Program Institution. Requirements for the application are outlined below:

Application Submission: School District

Copy of Tuberculosis Test Report: Submission of NC Health Examination Certificate upon employment.

Copy of Academic Transcripts: Required

Copy of International Teaching License/Certificate/Credential: Required
Not Accepted

Copy of International Records: Required
Transcript Evaluation Required

URL: http://langcred.org/resources/transcript-evaluation/?fwp_agency_accepted_by_states=north-carolina

Background Check
Required
Varies by District

Renewal: Nonrenewable
The license is nonrenewable.

Notes:

School district form required.

NC does not require applicants to submit a fingerprint clearance to obtain their teaching license. However, individual school districts may require a state and federal background check as part of their hiring process. Contact your local school district for additional information. For degrees earned abroad, the transcripts must be translated into English by an evaluating agency. Contact host program for list of approved agencies.

GENERAL NOTES FOR THIS ROUTE

To be eligible for this license, the teacher must complete the equivalent of North Carolina's High Objective State Standard of Evaluation administered by an evaluator authorized by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. OTHER RESOURCES/Host Programs in North Carolina: Educational Partners International, LLC (EPI): Designated by the US Dept. of State as a J-1 exchange visitor program sponsor, EPI provides highly-qualified international teachers with the visa sponsorship and support needed to teach critical needs subjects in NC. EPI assists teachers and schools with visa processing, licensure, professional and cultural development, and more. They provide a unique cultural exchange program with emphasis on support. See: <https://teachwithepi.com/> Visiting International Faculty Program (VIF): Since 1989, the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction has worked with VIF to welcome teachers from around the world to our state. Today, hundreds of North Carolina schools host over one thousand VIF participants from 48 different countries. See: <http://www.vifprogram.com/> International Teacher Exchange Services: Designated by the U.S. Dept of State (Exchange Visitor Program), ITES sponsors and supports highly-qualified international teachers for critical needs subjects in North Carolina. In addition to being highly effective in their professional field, ITES teachers bring the world directly into our classrooms by sharing their knowledge and cultures with our students. See: <http://www.itesonline.com/>