

Language Credentialing

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Emergency Teaching License (OR)

Description

The Emergency Teaching License is issued to individuals who have demonstrated adequate qualifications to receive a teaching license on an emergency basis, but who have not completed all requirements for a regular teaching license. The Emergency Teaching License is designed for short-term licensure only and may not continue once the emergency situation has been remedied.

License Valid for 1 year

Restricted to specific district and is for highly specialized subjects of instruction for which the district must show extenuating circumstances.

Employment: Required

State Information

State: Oregon

Contact Phone: 503-378-3586

Contact Email: contact.tspc@state.or.us

For more information please visit the state website: <http://www.tspc.oregon.gov/licensure/licensure.asp>

Notes

The District must submit a letter detailing extenuating circumstances constituting the emergency and the applicant's unique skills qualifying her or him for the license. The letter should include a request for the least amount of time necessary to meet the emergency needs of the district.

Minimum Academic Background

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

The following is required for this route:

College with 60 Credits

Notes

An applicant may be asked to provide a resume, transcripts or other evidence of qualifications if requested by the Executive Director. As of 2016, No Basic Skills Exams Required

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):

- [ORELA \(French, German, Spanish\)](#)

Course needed: Show substantial preparation in the subject-matter area in which licensure is requested;

Additional Requirements for this route include the following:

Other Exam(s):

- [Oregon Civil Rights Exam](#)

Notes:

State may review transcripts to determine content language proficiency. Oregon relies on the ORELA test and accepts a limited number of tests from other states. Oregon will evaluate the application and transcript and will make a determination if the applicant has shown substantial preparation in the Content Language. Upon application, the co-applicant district must describe its particular need in relation to the co-applicant teacher's documented qualifications, agree to provide a mentor up to the first renewal of the license, and attest that circumstances prevent hiring a suitable teacher holding any other full-time license appropriate for the role to be filled.

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: Individual

Form at: http://www.oregon.gov/tspc/Pages/Forms_and_Instruct.aspx

Form Mailing Address:

Teacher Standards and Practices Commission 250 Division St NE Salem, OR 97301

School District Requirements:

Verification of Employment

Verification of Search for a Certified Teacher

Confirmation of Mentor

Copy of Academic Transcripts: Required**Copy of International Records:** Required

Transcript Evaluation Required

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

Background Check

Required

Renewal: Nonrenewable

The Emergency Teaching License is issued for short-term, emergency situations and is not renewable.

Notes:

The District must also submit a letter describing the particular need in relation to the applicant's teacher qualifications. The district must agree to provide a mentor and identify that mentor in the letter of application. The district must attest that circumstances prevent hiring a suitable teacher holding an unrestricted full-time license appropriate for the assignment to be filled. An applicant may be asked to provide a resume, transcripts or other evidence of qualifications if requested by the Executive Director.

Fingerprint Handler Sheet required. Processing fee \$57.00 Transcript evaluation or some other convincing evidence that the applicant holds the equivalent of a U.S. BA or higher degree is required. The transcript and other evidence submitted will be evaluated for Content Language proficiency. Teacher must agree to terms of certification.

1 year, renewable based on continuation of extenuating circumstances such as extreme shortages of licensed teachers. Unlimited renewals- every 3 years. Note: change to no longer renewable

GENERAL NOTES FOR THIS ROUTE

Arabic Language, Chinese and Chinese Immersion are NOT areas where the Oregon Department of Education currently lists Emergency Teaching Licenses. Below is a copy of the legal wording that can be found at http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/rules/oars_500/oar_584/584_060.html. 584-

060-0171 Emergency Teaching License (1) Upon filing a correct and complete application in form and manner prescribed by the commission, a qualified applicant and a co-applicant district may be granted an Emergency Teaching License. An Emergency Teaching License may be issued when a school district demonstrates extenuating circumstances that merit the issuance of the license in order to protect the district's programs or students. (2) The Emergency Teaching License shall be issued solely at the discretion of the Executive Director for any length of time deemed necessary to protect the district's programs or students. In most cases, an Emergency Teaching License will not exceed one year unless the educator or the district has presented unusual extenuating circumstances. The Executive Director may consider efforts the educator has made in meeting licensure requirements. Additionally, the Executive Director will consider academic preparation or experience the proposed educator has had in the area in which the district is requesting the license. (3) To be eligible for the Emergency Teaching License an applicant and co-applicant district must provide the following: (a) C-1 application and fee (b) Fingerprints furnished in the manner prescribed by the commission if the applicant has not been fingerprinted or has not held an active license issued by the commission in the past three years (c) A letter from the district detailing the extenuating circumstances constituting the emergency and the applicant's unique skills qualifying her or him for the license. The letter should include a request for the least amount of time necessary to meet the emergency needs of the district AND (d) An applicant may be asked to provide a resume, transcripts or other evidence of qualifications if requested by the Executive Director. (4) The Emergency Teaching License is not subject to the 120 day grace period allowed for licensure renewal purposes under ORS 342.127.