

# Language Credentialing

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## Temporary Authorization Route (MO)

### Description

The Temporary Authorization Route is for applicants who do not currently hold a Missouri teaching certificate.

Certificate Valid for 1 year

Employment: Required

### Reciprocity

**The following states may accept this route:**

Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming

### State Information

State: Missouri

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For more information please visit the state website: <http://dese.mo.gov/educator-quality/certification/temporary-authorization-information>

### Notes

An applicant with a BA in the content language can take self directed courses, teach for 2 years and is mentored by a school district. The temporary authorization certificate will not include elementary (1-6); early childhood (B-3); early childhood special education (B-3); blind and partially sighted (K-12); and/or deaf and hearing impaired (K-12) areas. Applicants for the areas of driver's education, English for speakers of other languages, gifted, and special reading must already hold a certificate of license to teach or must seek a certificate of license to teach in a stand-alone area.

### Minimum Academic Background

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

The following is required for this route:

BA Degree + Major in Content Language

GPA: 2.5

### Basic Skills

**In most states, teachers must verify basic skills in English (Reading and Writing) and Mathematics through coursework, exams, or degree evaluations.**

The following is required for this route:

**English:**

Exam(s):

- [Missouri General Education Assessment \(MoGEA\) - English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Writing.](#)

**Math:**

Exam(s):

- [Missouri General Education Assessment \(MoGEA\) - English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Writing.](#)

### 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:

Course needed: 24 college credits (varies for different areas) to meet specified competencies.

Exam(s):

- [MEGA: 062 Professional Knowledge: 063 Professional Knowledge: Secondary](#)

### **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):**

- [Missouri Content Assessments \(Chinese-Mandarin, French, German, Spanish\)](#)

#### **Additional Requirements for this route include the following:**

#### **Other Exam(s):**

- [Missouri Educator Profile \(MEP\)](#)

#### **Notes:**

No exam for Japanese, Latin, Russian See "Temporary Authorization Route Plan of Courses Worksheet" GRADES Kad12: Thirty (30) semester hours in the Foreign Language to be taught, or (27) semester hours plus two (2) or more earned units of high school credit in that language. GRADES Kad9\*: Twentyad-one (21) semester hours in the Foreign Language to be taught, or eighteen (18) semester hours plus two (2) or more earned units of high school credit in that language. In addition to an understanding and appreciation of the foreign culture and civilization, the prospective teacher will demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the degree granting institution, proficiency in the areas of listening comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing.  
\*Teachers must be certificated in another elementary, middle school, or secondary teaching field.

#### **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**

Online at: <https://k12apps.dese.mo.gov/webLogin/login.aspx>

#### **School District Requirements:**

Verification of Employment

Confirmation of Mentor

successfully completed a yearly Performance Based Teacher Evaluation

**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=missouri](http://langcred.org/resources/transcript-evaluation/?fwp_agency_accepted_by_states=missouri)

**Background Check**

Required

Online at: <http://www.machs.mo.gov>

**Renewal:** Renewable

Upon completion of all program requirements and a minimum of 2 years teaching, the candidate applies for the 4-year Initial Certificate.

**Notes:**

Background check fee: \$44.80

**GENERAL NOTES FOR THIS ROUTE**

An individual with a bachelor's degree in a content area (such as Mathematics or English) takes self-directed courses – a maximum of 24 college credits (varies for different areas) to meet specified competencies, teaches for two years, is mentored by the school district and passes at least two exit examinations. The individual works under a one-year, renewable certificate that requires 9 semester hours of college credit each year in order to be renewed. When requirements are completed, the individual receives an initial certificate.