Language Credentialing Made Easy

[Name], HADI CLASSRoad

brought to you by

and
Who We Are

Mayeen Farooqui, M.A. Ed., *Project Director, LangCred*

Anthony Ortizo, *Research Associate, LangCred*

Maria Costea, *Ed. Tech. Admin. CLASSRoad*
What is this presentation about?

Identifying Maine requirements for Language Teacher Credentialing using LangCred.org.
What is a language credential?

US K-12 license to teach a world language.
Why do teachers seek credentials?

- District, State, School Requirement
- Employment Opportunities
- Higher Salary
- Professional Recognition
How do you get a credential?

- Visit state website
- Complete requirements
- Apply to the state
Certification

The Maine Department of Education Certification Office administers the rules of the Maine State Board of Education relating to the issuing of credentials to persons employed in or under contract with public and approved private schools. Certification also evaluates the need for and proposes changes to legislation and regulations to serve the State's interest in enhancing teaching.

The rules establish requirements for entry level and renewal preparation and requirements for the certification of administrators, educational specialists, and teachers; the authorization for educational technicians; and the approval of criminal history record checks for all persons. Any person not required to have a certification or an authorization must have an approval.

Certification also implements the rules establishing the grounds to deny, suspend or revoke credentials and the procedures for taking administrative action against credential applicants and holders. Certification investigates allegations of misconduct or incompetence, reports information as necessary to appropriate authorities and allows public access to information and records, unless the specific information and record is confidential by statute.

NEW HOURS beginning July 1, 2015:

- In-person visits: Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9:00AM - 3:30PM. Policy for processing in-person applications.
- By phone: Monday through Friday from 9:00AM - 3:30PM

We are located at 111 Sewall Street, Augusta in the Burton Cross Building on the 5th Floor.

Contact

207-624-0003
Fax: 207-624-6804
Email: cert.doe@maine.gov

NOTICE: 4-6 weeks processing time is expected for ALL current certifications.

Latest certification updates from the Maine DOE Newsroom.

Certification of superintendent election or reelection

Maine signs assessment contract with valued partner

Clarification on certification approval and renewal

Maine DOE announcing credentialing changes in 2015

Districts must submit waiver affidavits for non-certified staff

Reminder of new certification hours for in-person visits

All certification updates from the DOE Newsroom

Visit the DOE Newsroom

Subscribe for updates
It’s Complicated!
The Credential Process

Complex Vocabulary

“I don’t understand all the regulations.”

State credential laws change

“I need to have simple[,] direct steps on how to apply”

Requirements differ state to state

“Accurate information needed.”
The LangCred Process

1. Academic Background
2. Teacher Preparation
3. Application
Academic Background

Bachelor’s Degree

Transcript Evaluation
Teacher Preparation

Content Language Competency

Basic Skills in English Reading, Writing and Math

Teacher Preparation Program
Content Language Competency

Language Exams

Praxis II
ACTFL OPI, WPT
State Specific

Coursework

Major or Minor
Basic Skills in English and Math

Basic Skills Exams

Praxis Core
State Specific

Degree

BA/BS
Teacher Preparation Program

Coursework
Field Observation
Pedagogy/Methods
Student Teaching/Internship
Exams
What is LangCred?

- An Interactive Resource Website
- For all U.S. K-12 world language teachers
- Displaying 250+ Routes and 720+ Programs
- To Language Teacher Credentialing
- In U.S. and D.C., Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands
On LangCred.org

- Search by State & Language
- Create an Account
- Build a Profile
- Match a Route/Program to your Profile
- Save Routes & Programs
- Compare Routes & Programs
- Search for Transcript Evaluation Agencies
LangCred

Routes

Programs

Community

Resources
Select a state to find a language teaching credential
Language Routes for Maine

- Provisional Certificate
- Professional Certificate
- Targeted Need Certificate
- Conditional Certificate

According to LangCred 2016
Any questions?
Visit langcred.org today!

@langcred

facebook.com/LangCred