Language Credentialing Made Easy

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What is this presentation about?

Identifying Virginia 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?

1. Visit state website
2. Complete requirements
3. Apply to the state
Standards for teachers, administrators and other educators in Virginia’s public schools recognize the link between preparation and content knowledge and student achievement.

Licensure Application
- Application for a Virginia License
- Routes to Licensure in Virginia: Virginia provides multiple routes to licensure, including college and university programs approved by the Board of Education, reciprocity for educators licensed by other states and alternative routes for qualified candidates and career switchers.
- Duplicate Licenses
- Child Abuse Recognition and Intervention Training: Individuals seeking an initial license and license renewal must complete training in child abuse recognition and intervention in accordance with curriculum guidelines approved by the Board of Education.
- Emergency First Aid, CPR & AED Certification or Training
- Licensing of Speech-Language Pathologists
- Technology Standards for Instructional Personnel
- Professional Teacher’s Assessment Requirements (for Virginia Licensure and the School Leaders Licensure Assessment for Principals)
- Fee Schedule for Licensure
- Application Information for Individuals with Out-of-State Licenses
- Application Information for Individuals Completing Out-of-State Programs
- Information for Graduates of Foreign Institutions of Higher Learning
- Testing for Foreign Language Applicants

Licensure Renewal:
- Virginia Licensure Renewal Manual
- Child Abuse Recognition and Intervention Training
- Emergency First Aid, CPR & AED Certification or Training
- Licensing of Speech-Language Pathologists
- Technology Standards for Instructional Personnel
- Virginia History of State and Local Government Module
- Any individual licensed and endorsed to teach (i) middle school civics or economics or (ii) high school civics or history who is seeking renewal of such license is required to demonstrate knowledge of Virginia history and state and local government by completing a module or professional development course specifically related to Virginia history and state and local government that has a value of five professional development points. This requirement applies for purposes of the individual’s next or initial renewal occurring after July 1, 2014. Successful completion of the Virginia State and Local Civic Education Module will satisfy this renewal requirement. Please print and submit the module certificate with renewal documentation. For more information, and to see a list of teaching endorsements that permit an individual holding a valid Virginia teaching license to teach (i) middle school civics or economics, or (ii) high school civics or history, please see Superintendent’s Memo #055-14.

2014 General Assembly Legislation

LICENSING OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

House Bill 737 - Licensure of Speech-Language Pathologist to be Discontinued by the Board of Education and Required by the Virginia Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (upon signature of Governor)

For important details regarding this legislation, see Licensing of Speech-Language Pathologist.

INITIAL LICENSURE FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

The 2015 General Assembly passed House Bill 2137 that amended and re-enacted Section 22.1-298.1 of the Code of Virginia, regarding teachers seeking an initial license with an endorsement in an area of career and technical education, effective July 1, 2015.

The 2015 legislation states, in part, the following:

1. As used in this section, “industry certification credential” means an active career and technical education credential that is earned by successfully completing a Board of Education-approved industry certification examination, being issued a professional license in the Commonwealth, or successfully completing an occupational competency examination.

D.6. Every teacher seeking an initial license in the Commonwealth with an endorsement in the area of career and technical education shall have an industry certification credential in the area in which he or she is teaching.

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Information on this page is provided by the Division of Teacher Education & Licensure.
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 Program

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
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
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- Routes
- Programs
- Community
- Resources
Select a state to find a language teaching credential
Language Routes for Virginia

- Initial Standard Certificate (Approved Teacher Program)
- Provisional License
- Initial Standard Certificate (Reciprocity)

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