



Teacher Certification

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Nebraska Requirements for Certification

A Certification Analyst will be assigned to your online application when submitted. A checklist of required items, supporting documents, instructions and finger print cards will be emailed to you.

REQUIREMENTS	HAVE YOU?	YOUR RESPONSE	
		YES	NO
Fingerprints Statutory requirement for ALL certificate and permit types	Held continuous residence in Nebraska for the past immediate 5 years?	You are not required to submit fingerprint cards	You are required to submit Livescan OR ink rolled fingerprint cards.
Human Relations Training Statutory requirement for all certificate/permit types Exception: Temporary Certificate.	Taken an approved educational course in Human Relations Training from an approved institution?	You have met the one-time state requirement.	You are required to take one of the approved courses for Human Relations OR submit narrative based upon employment experience in a classroom.
Special Education Training Statutory requirement for ALL teaching and Administrative Certificates. Not required for provisional permits, local and state substitute permits, and temporary certificates.	Taken an approved educational course in Special Education?	You have met the one-time state requirement.	You are required to take an approved course in Special Education Training OR submit a narrative based upon employment experience in a classroom.
Praxis Core Academic Skills (Basic Skills) Requirement for All Teaching & Administrative Certificates	Taken Basic Skills test 5712 – reading test 5722 – writing test 5732 – math and received passing scores?	You have met this state requirement.	You will be required to take this test OR have two (2) years’ work experience as a contracted teacher.



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Praxis Subject Assessment (Content Test) Requirement for All Teaching and Administrative Certificates	Completed a program for an initial endorsement to be placed on a Nebraska teaching or administrative certificate.	You are required to provide official test scores.	You do not have to meet this requirement.
Recency Requirement for all Teaching and Administrative Certificates	Within the past five years worked as a teacher in a state approved school OR completed six (6) credit hours in education OR held an expired teaching certificate from another state and set up a fifteen (15) hour	You have met this state requirement.	You will be required to meet this by taking six semester hours in education either at the undergraduate or graduate level.