

ONLINE TEACHER CERTIFICATION

Guide to Success



Follow these steps and you will be well on your way to your teaching career!



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*“iteach has been very responsive and their courses are informative and excellent preparation for a career in teaching.”
- Derek D.*

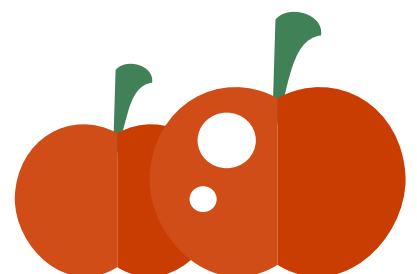
Getting Started How to Use this Guide

Welcome to iteach, and thank you for downloading this guide. Our goal is to make teacher certification as simple as possible for you. Because the process can be daunting, this guide breaks down the necessary steps you will take.

As you are making the decision to enroll, please use this guide to help you gather the things you need, now, to make enrollment as quick as possible. Some of the admission items can be uploaded to your portal, or you can mail them to our office.

Once you have completed the admission requirements, you may be accepted. Once accepted, use the included timeline to best understand the process from enrollment to full certification.

“If you are not willing to learn, no one can help you. If you are willing to learn, no one can stop you.” - Zig Ziglar



Traditional vs. Alternative Teaching Certification

Understanding the Difference

iteach is an **alternative online certification program**. We know that you want a rewarding career as a teacher, but traditional teacher certification can be complicated and expensive. We make things simple, fast, and affordable so you can get into the classroom and start teaching while getting certified. You can take courses in the convenience of your own home on your own schedule.

TRADITIONAL CERTIFICATION

- 2 Years Additional School
- Brick and Mortar Building
- Classes are not Flexible
- No Free Test Prep
- No Free Teaching Channel
- Tuition Fees 3x Higher

Cost: \$25,000 and up!

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ALTERNATIVE CERTIFICATION

- 1 Year to Full Certification (for most states)
- Teach with Full Pay while you Complete iteach Program
- All Coursework is Online
- Flexible Schedule
- Free Test Prep
- Free Access to Teaching Channel while Enrolled
- More Affordable

Cost: \$4399*

* some states have different pricing structures



✓ *Less Time*

✓ *Less Money*

✓ *Less Hassle*

FIRST STEPS - ARKANSAS

What to do after you submit your application to iteach.net



1

STEP ONE

- Submit bachelor degree transcripts
- Complete the Introductory Course, 5000

2

STEP TWO

(These steps can be completed simultaneously)

- Pass Praxis II certification test
- Complete Instructional Coursework, 5100-5600

3

STEP THREE

- Two Semester Internship as the Teacher of Record

4

STEP FOUR

- All coursework completed
- All testing passed
- Successful Internship

REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

GET THESE DONE. GET CERTIFIED TO TEACH.



THINGS TO DO	COMPLETED DATE
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|---|--|
| ✓ Apply Online
www.iteach.net/apply/ | |
| ✓ Submit Transcripts
transcripts@iteach.net | |
| ✓ Complete Course 5000
In your iteach portal to be completed before enrollment. | |
| ✓ Acknowledge Letter of Agreement | |
| ✓ Pay Enrollment Fee | |
| ✓ Complete coursework, 5100-5600 | |
| ✓ Pass Praxis Content Test (supplemental test as needed) | |
| ✓ Secure job as Teacher of Record | |
| ✓ Complete course 5700 | |
| ✓ Complete two-semester teaching assignment | |

TEACHER CERTIFICATION TIMELINE

Stay on Task. Get Certified Faster. ([View Detailed Arkansas Admission Requirements](#))



Free to Apply ★ \$99 Enrollment Fee

You can apply and begin at anytime with our continuous enrollment!



Immediate Access

Access to TCAR 5000 - An Overview of Teaching, Observation log, Online Classroom Observation Library



Admission Requirements

Undergraduate Degree, 2.5 GPA, TCAR 5000 Complete



Immediate Enrollment

Six Online, Self-Paced, Competency-based courses, \$99 Enrollment Fee



Eligible for Hire

Praxis II Test Passed, TCAR 5100 Completed



Two Semesters Paid Internship

Two semester paid Internship as the Teacher of Record, program balance paid via monthly payment plan, Continue in training through TCAR 5600



Standard Certificate 12-18 Months

All state and program requirements completed, certificate is issued!

RESUME & INTERVIEW CHECKLIST

Choose a great resume template, don't have one? Get one at iteach.net/resume/

Objective Statement: Typically one sentence answering the question, "What are you wanting and why are you applying for this job?"

Education Section: Keep this section brief and only list what is necessary

Experience Section: This is the meat of your teacher resume

Community Service: Only include if it is relevant, but it is okay to leave off

Relevant Training Section: Do you have a certification needed for this job? Are you working towards a certification needed for this job? List it!

Check your resume for spelling and grammar. Have a friend review it if possible.

BE INTERVIEW READY

Familiarize yourself with the STAR Interview Method (Situation / Task / Action / Result)

Professional Attire. Clean, ironed clothes. Hair brushed. Men wear a tie.

Brush Your Teeth. Look polished and smile!

Printed list of references (to provide if asked)

Copy of Certification held (or demonstration of eligibility)

Review a list of interview questions and be ready (iteach.net/resume/ has several)

PUNCTUALITY AND COMMUNICATION

When it comes to securing a job as a teacher, remember to be on time for your interview. Plan ahead for things such as traffic or anything that could delay your arrival time. As a final reminder, one of the most important soft skills that you need as an educator is communication. Be a good listener and show that you can communicate well with a variety of people.

HELPFUL RESOURCES LIST

Teacher Job Boards, Resume Help & More!



Teacher Job Resources

School Spring

[Over 50,000 Education Jobs listed](#)

TeachingJobs.com

[Job Board for Teachers](#)

Indeed.com

[Over 50,000 Teaching Jobs Listed](#)

K12Jobspot

[Spot Your Next Job in Education](#)

Resume Resources

Microsoft Resumes

[Great Resume Templates](#)

13 Free Resumes

[Click Here for Resumes](#)

3 Things That Employers Want

[Click Here for Article](#)

15 Popular Interview Questions

[Click Here for Article](#)

Educational Resources

Teaching Channel

[1400+ Video Library for Teachers](#)

Learners Edge

[Online Continuing Education Courses](#)

Crash Course

[Fun Animated Educational Videos](#)

ReadWriteThink.org

[Lesson Plans and Classroom Activities](#)

Classroom Supplies

Discount School Supplies

[Classroom Furniture, Craft Supplies](#)

We Are Teachers

[Best Deals on School Supplies](#)

School Specialty

[Classroom Direct Teacher Favorites](#)

School Outfitters

[Complete Classroom Designs](#)

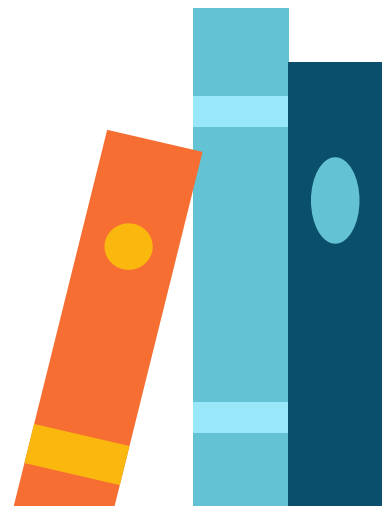


Statement of Diversity

iteach is committed to preparing an educator preparation workforce that reflects the diversity of student in classrooms across the nation, and to drawing talent from all communities in order to provide the best and brightest educators to America's children.

iteach has a history of accepting, training, and certifying diverse educator cohorts. We promise to uphold this tradition by not discriminating against any prospective candidate on the basis of race, ethnicity, age, disability, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic background, or religion.

"Strength lies in differences, not similarities."
- Stephen R. Covey





CULTIVATE

A Program for New Teachers

Free Teaching Channel Course included with iteach

iteach is excited to announce a partnership with the Teaching Channel that allows us to provide a FREE collaborative course for new teachers.

Don't spend your first teaching years alone. Join other teachers with 0-3 years of experience in a year-long program.

Complete 12 monthly asynchronous modules packed with resources, peer interaction, and time-specific teaching practices.

Attend exclusive Q&A sessions with guest speakers and teacher experts to learn how to overcome common challenges faced by new teachers.

Join a team of newer teachers to receive continual feedback, advice, and support for your first years in the classroom.

Each teacher that enrolls in this course will also have the opportunity to earn **45 PD hours**, setting them up with hours they will need in the future.

NOTE: When you are eligible to receive this course, you will automatically be registered and emailed all the details on how to get started.

\$189 VALUE - No Cost for iteach enrolled candidates!





A message from a member
of our leadership team:

ANDREW ROZELL

I am so excited you are reading through this guide. I hope our efforts in its creation is helpful. I also hope, through this guide, we help make the teacher certification process simple. **We value your time and want to see it used most productively.**

Our work with schools across the state will set you up for success in earning your first teaching position and our staff will ensure you have support in your first year.

Free Application

If you haven't applied yet, I strongly encourage you to apply today. Do not wait, schools are searching our database as you read this hiring our teacher candidates. Go to www.iteach.net/apply/ to complete the process.

READY. SET. GO!