

TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS

School of Education, (505) 428-1689

These programs facilitate achievement of the New Mexico Public Education Department's entry-level teacher competencies. The competencies align with the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education's (NCATE) standards, recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (INTASC) standards. Through these certification programs, qualified individuals can complete course work in early childhood, elementary, secondary, or special education. Upon successful completion of one of the aforementioned programs and required state exams, candidates are eligible to apply for level-one provisional teaching licenses.

Admissions Requirements:

To qualify for the Teacher Academy Certification Program, the New Mexico Public Education Department requires the following: Bachelor's degree and, if seeking licensure in secondary education, 30 semester hours of credit in a particular field that pertains to the licensure sought; or Master's or Doctorate degree including 12 semester hours of graduate credit in a particular field that pertains to the secondary licensure area sought.

Admission to the Teacher Academy also requires:

- Passing scores on the Basic Skills portion of the New Mexico Teacher Assessment (NMTA). For information, visit www.nmta.nesinc.com or call (413) 256-2884.
- Completion of the SFCC admissions application.
- Successful completion of EDUC 201A: Orientation to the Teaching Profession and EDUC 201B: The Critically Reflective Teacher. Candidates for early childhood licensure must complete EDUC 250: ECE Profession in New Mexico.
- Completion of the Teacher Academy application packet, including official college transcripts and three professional reference letters

Call (505) 428-1687 to request a packet or visit our website at www.sfcc.edu/departments/teachereducation to download general information and application packets.

CERTIFICATE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TEACHER CERTIFICATION (K-8)

(21 hrs.)

CIP: 13.1202

CORE REQUIREMENTS: (21 HRS.)

EDUC 201A	Orientation to the Teaching Profession (1)**
EDUC 201B	The Critically Reflective Teacher (2)**
EDUC 202	Theories of Teaching and Learning (3)
EDUC 203	Curriculum and Assessment (3)
EDUC 204	Effective Teaching (3)
EDUC 205	Fundamentals of Reading Instruction (3)
EDUC 206E	Teaching Reading for the Elementary Classroom (3)
EDUC 214	Supervised Field Experience (3)

**EDUC 201A and EDUC 201B are the prerequisites for acceptance into the elementary and secondary education programs and all other courses within these programs.

TOTAL 21 CREDITS