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Institutional Authorization

Western Governors University is authorized to provide its educational programs in Georgia through a state authorization reciprocity agreement (NC-SARA). More information about NC-SARA is available on their <u>website</u>.

Licensure Pathway

Candidates applying for a teaching license in Georgia do so through the direct licensure pathway. Direct licensure is available when a state allows candidates to be licensed upon completion of a program that is approved in the state of Utah. Candidates apply for licensure upon WGU confirming completion of an out-of-state program. They are not required to obtain a Utah license. Complete details on licensure requirements in the state of Georgia as well as information on applying using the direct licensure pathway can be found in the <u>licensure handbook</u>.

Educational Prerequisites

WGU's education preparation programs satisfy the applicable educational prerequisites for professional licensure in Georgia for the following licenses:

WGU Program	License
BA Elementary Education MAT Elementary Education	Elementary Education P-5
BA Special Education and Elementary Education (Dual Licensure)	Elementary Education P-5 and Special Education General Curriculum P-12
BA Special Education (Mild to Moderate) MAT Special Education	Special Education General Curriculum P-12
BS Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MAT Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MA Mathematics Education (Middle Grades)*	Middle Grades Mathematics 4-8
BS Science Education (Middle Grades) MA Science Education (Middle Grades)*	Middle Grades Science 4-8
BS Mathematics Education (Secondary) MAT Mathematics Education (Secondary) MA Mathematics Education (Secondary)*	Mathematics 6-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Biological Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Biological Science)*	Biology 6-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Chemistry) MA Science Education (Secondary Chemistry)*	Chemistry 6-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Earth Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Earth Science)*	Earth/Space Science 6-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Physics) MA Science Education (Secondary Physics)*	Physics 6-12
MAT Science Education (Secondary)	Biology 6-12 or Chemistry 6-12 or Earth/Space Science 6-12 or Physics 6-12
MAT English Education (Secondary)	English 6-12
Endorsement English Language Learning (PreK-12)* MA English Language Learning (PreK-12)*	English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) P-12

^{*}Advanced programs are for already licensed teachers who want to add an additional teaching area or field to their licenses. These programs are not intended for aspiring teachers seeking initial licensure.

The following program is not available in Georgia:

• *MS Educational Leadership* – Georgia requires a GAPSC approved program to be completed to obtain certification. Therefore, WGU's program will not meet Georgia requirements.

Consumer Complaint Information

Students can refer to this information regarding the complaint process for those attending WGU in Georgia.

Military Information

Georgia supports the "Troops to Teachers" program. More information about this program may be found at this link. Georgia does not provide special reciprocity or other support for military spouses.

