

KENTUCKY

Institutional Authorization

Western Governors University is authorized to provide its educational programs in Kentucky through a state authorization reciprocity agreement (NC-SARA). More information about NC-SARA is available on their [website](#).

Licensure Pathway

Candidates applying for a teaching license in Kentucky will use either the reciprocity licensure pathway or the approved licensure pathway, depending on their program. Information on which pathway a certain program utilizes is available [here](#). Licensing through reciprocity means that candidates must first acquire a Utah teaching license before applying for licensure in their state. Not all states require reciprocity for all programs. An approved licensure pathway is available when a WGU education program is approved in a state. A candidate may apply for a license in that state based on state program approval. Not all programs are approved in all states. Complete details on licensure requirements in the state of Kentucky can be found in the [licensure handbook](#).

Educational Prerequisites

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

WGU Program	License
BA Elementary Education MAT Elementary Education	Elementary School (Primary–5)
BA Special Education and Elementary Education (Dual Licensure)	Elementary School (Primary–5) and Exceptional Children: Learning and Behavior Disorders (Primary–12)
BA Special Education (Mild to Moderate) MAT Special Education	Exceptional Children: Learning and Behavior Disorders (Primary–12)
BS Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MAT Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MA Mathematics Education (Middle Grades)*	Middle School Mathematics (Grades 5-9)
BS Science Education (Middle Grades)	Middle School Science (Grades 5-9)
BS Mathematics Education (Secondary) MAT Mathematics Education (Secondary) MA Mathematics Education (Secondary)*	Secondary Mathematics (Grades 8-12)
BS Science Education (Secondary Biological Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Biological Science)*	Secondary Biology (Grades 8-12)
BS Science Education (Secondary Chemistry) MA Science Education (Secondary Chemistry)*	Secondary Chemistry (Grades 8-12)
BS Science Education (Secondary Earth Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Earth Science)*	Secondary Earth Science (Grades 8-12)
BS Science Education (Secondary Physics) MA Science Education (Secondary Physics)*	Secondary Physics (Grades 8-12)
MAT Science Education (Secondary)	Secondary Biology (Grades 8-12) <i>or</i> Secondary Chemistry (Grades 8-12) <i>or</i> Secondary Earth Science (Grades 8-12) <i>or</i> Secondary Physics (Grades 8-12)
MAT English Education (Secondary)	Secondary English (Grades 8-12)
Endorsement English Language Learning (PreK-12)* MA English Language Learning (PreK-12)*	English as a Second Language (Primary–12)
MS Educational Leadership*	Level 1 or Level 2 Principal

*Advanced programs are for already licensed teachers who want to add an additional teaching area or field to their licenses (or a separate license for Educational Leadership). These programs are not intended for aspiring teachers seeking initial licensure.

The following program is not available in Kentucky:

- *MA Science Education (Middle Grades)* – This program would require students in Kentucky to first license in Utah. However, as Utah does not issue a middle grades science license, students should not enroll in this program.

Consumer Complaint Information

Students can refer to [this information](#) regarding the complaint process for those attending WGU in Kentucky.

Military Information

Kentucky offers an [alternative pathway](#) for certification for members of the military and veterans. Military spouses should refer to [Kentucky Revised Statute 12.357](#).