

NEW MEXICO

Institutional Authorization

Western Governors University is authorized to provide its educational programs in New Mexico 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 New Mexico 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 New Mexico as well as information on applying using the direct licensure pathway can be found in the [licensure handbook](#).

Educational Prerequisites

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

WGU Program	License
BA Elementary Education MAT Elementary Education	Elementary Education, K-8
BA Special Education and Elementary Education (Dual Licensure)	Elementary Education, K-8 and Special Education, PK-12
BS Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MAT Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MA Mathematics Education (Middle Grades)*	Middle Level Mathematics, Grades 5-9
BS Science Education (Middle Grades) MA Science Education (Middle Grades)*	Middle Level Science, Grades 5-9
BS Mathematics Education (Secondary) MAT Mathematics Education (Secondary) MA Mathematics Education (Secondary)*	Secondary Mathematics, Grades 7-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Biological Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Biological Science)*	Secondary Science, Grades 7-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Chemistry) MA Science Education (Secondary Chemistry)*	Secondary Science, Grades 7-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Earth Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Earth Science)*	Secondary Science, Grades 7-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Physics) MA Science Education (Secondary Physics)*	Secondary Science, Grades 7-12
MAT Science Education (Secondary)	Secondary Science, Grades 7-12
MAT English Education (Secondary)	English Language Arts, 7-12
Endorsement English Language Learning (PreK-12)* MA English Language Learning (PreK-12)*	Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
MS Educational Leadership*	Education Administration, PK-12

*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 New Mexico:

- *BA Special Education (Mild to Moderate)* – New Mexico requires dual endorsement for Special Education certification. Therefore, students in New Mexico may not enroll in this program, as they will not receive a teaching certificate.

Consumer Complaint Information

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

Military Information

New Mexico does not offer specialized licensure opportunities for military personnel or their spouses.