

COLORADO

Institutional Authorization

Western Governors University is authorized to provide its educational programs in Colorado 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 Colorado 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 Colorado 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 Colorado for the following licenses:

WGU Program	License
BA Elementary Education MAT Elementary Education	Elementary Education (Grades K-6)
BA Special Education and Elementary Education (Dual Licensure)	Elementary Education (Grades K-6) and Special Education Generalist (Ages 5-21)
BA Special Education (Mild to Moderate)	Special Education Generalist (Ages 5-21)
BS Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MAT Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MA Mathematics Education (Middle Grades)*	Middle School Mathematics (Grades 6-8)
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)*	Science (Grades 7-12)
BS Science Education (Secondary Chemistry) MA Science Education (Secondary Chemistry)*	Science (Grades 7-12)
BS Science Education (Secondary Earth Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Earth Science)*	Science (Grades 7-12)
BS Science Education (Secondary Physics) MA Science Education (Secondary Physics)*	Science (Grades 7-12)
MAT Science Education (Secondary)	Science (Grades 7-12)
MAT English Education (Secondary)	English Language Arts (Grades 7-12)
Endorsement English Language Learning (PreK-12)* MA English Language Learning (PreK-12)*	Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education (Grades K-12)
MS Educational Leadership*	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 programs are not available in Colorado:

- *BS Science Education (Middle Grades)* – Colorado does not offer middle grades science licenses.
- *MA Science Education (Middle Grades)* – Colorado does not offer middle grades science licenses.

Consumer Complaint Information

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

Military Information

Colorado offers a temporary licensing procedure for military spouses if they already hold a license in another state. More information about this procedure is available at [this link](#). Colorado also supports the “Troops to Teachers” program for military members. More information regarding services available through this program may be found at [this link](#).