

CONNECTICUT

Institutional Authorization

Western Governors University is authorized to provide its educational programs in Connecticut 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 Connecticut do so primarily 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. Those enrolled in Elementary Education or Special Education programs will license via reciprocity. 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. Complete details on licensure requirements in the state of Connecticut as well as information on applying using the direct licensure or reciprocity pathways can be found in the [licensure handbook](#).

Educational Prerequisites

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

WGU Program	License
BA Elementary Education MAT Elementary Education	Elementary, 1-6
BA Special Education and Elementary Education (Dual Licensure)	Elementary 1-6 and Comprehensive Special Education K-12
BA Special Education (Mild to Moderate)	Comprehensive Special Education, K-12
BS Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MAT Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MA Mathematics Education (Middle Grades)*	Mathematics Middle School, 4-8
BS Science Education (Middle Grades) MA Science Education (Middle Grades)*	General Science Middle School, 4-8
BS Mathematics Education (Secondary) MAT Mathematics Education (Secondary) MA Mathematics Education (Secondary)*	Mathematics, 7-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Biological Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Biological Science)*	Biology, 7-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Chemistry) MA Science Education (Secondary Chemistry)*	Chemistry, 7-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Earth Science) MA Science Education (Secondary Earth Science)*	Earth Science, 7-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Physics) MA Science Education (Secondary Physics)*	Physics, 7-12
MAT Science Education (Secondary)	Biology, 7-12 <i>or</i> Chemistry, 7-12 <i>or</i> Earth Science, 7-12 <i>or</i> Physics, 7-12
MAT English Education (Secondary)	English, 7-12
Endorsement English Language Learning (PreK-12)* MA English Language Learning (PreK-12)*	Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) PK-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.

Certified Connecticut educators may add additional endorsements ("cross endorsements") to their existing teaching certificates through the passing of the appropriate Praxis content knowledge exam and the completion of at least 30 semester hours of coursework in the new endorsement area, as prescribed in the CT cross-endorsement [regulations](#).

The following program is not available in Connecticut:

- *MS Educational Leadership* – Connecticut does not accept out-of-state educational leadership programs.

Consumer Complaint Information

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

Military Information

Connecticut supports the "Troops to Teachers" program. More information about this program may be found at [this link](#). Military spouses seeking licensure in Connecticut should refer to [Connecticut Public Act 18-144](#) and [this application](#) for more information.