

# VIRGINIA

### Institutional Authorization

Western Governors University is authorized to provide its educational programs in Virginia 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 Virginia do so through the direct licensure pathway. Information on the different licensure pathways is available in the [licensure handbook](#). Complete details on licensure requirements in the state of Virginia as well as information on applying using the direct licensure pathway can also be found in the [licensure handbook](#).

### Educational Prerequisites

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

WGU Program	License
BA Elementary Education MAT Elementary Education	Elementary Education, PreK-6
BA Special Education and Elementary Education (Dual Licensure)	Elementary Education PreK-6 and Special Education General Curriculum K-12
BA Special Education (Mild to Moderate) MAT Special Education	Special Education General Curriculum, K-12
BS Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MAT Mathematics Education (Middle Grades) MA Mathematics Education (Middle Grades)*	Middle Education 6-8: Mathematics
BS Science Education (Middle Grades) MA Science Education (Middle Grades)*	Middle Education 6-8: Science
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 Science, 6-12
BS Science Education (Secondary Physics) MA Science Education (Secondary Physics)*	Physics, 6-12
MAT Science Education (Secondary)	Biology, 6-12 <i>or</i> Chemistry, 6-12 <i>or</i> Earth Science, 6-12 <i>or</i> Physics, 6-12
MAT English Education (Secondary)	English, 6-12
Endorsement English Language Learning (PreK-12)* MA English Language Learning (PreK-12)*	English as a Second Language, PreK-12
MS Educational Leadership*	Administration and Supervision, PreK-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.

### Consumer Complaint Information

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

### Military Information

Military personnel and spouses should refer to the Code of Virginia Title [54.1-117](#), [54.1-118](#), and [54.1-119](#) for specialized licensing information and opportunities.