

Dordt University Bachelor and Master of Education

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Dordt University prepares students for certification and licensure within the state of Iowa. Students may want to attain certification within a different state according to their residence. States may vary in their licensure requirements. Below are the determinations Dordt University has found for each state in which our program meets the educational requirements for professional licensure. Three options are indicated, meeting the certification requirements, do not meet the requirements, or no determination has been made. Dordt University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Dordt University has accredited programs in nursing, education, social work and engineering as well.

State:	Dordt University educational requirements meet state licensure requirements:	Additional information:
Alabama	Meets	No additional requirements noted.
Alaska	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Arizona	Meets	Allowable deficiencies for one-three years, depending on the area of certification. The certificate will be issued without meeting these requirements.
Arkansas	Meets	Individuals must apply for reciprocity which may include content testing or a requirement to take Arkansas history. Individuals also need at least three years of teaching experience or a National Board of Professional Teaching Standards Certification.
California	Meets	If your out-of-state special education authorization/endorsement is only in special education or in a specialty area that does not align with a California specialty area, then it is considered 'generic' and you will only be eligible for Mild/Moderate Disabilities, Moderate/Severe Disabilities, or Early Childhood Special Education specialty areas.
Colorado	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Connecticut	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Delaware	Meets	Special Education does not meet if it is not connected with a content area. All Special Education Major will NOT meet.
District of Columbia	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Federated States of Micronesia	Meets	
Florida	Meets	
Georgia	Meets	

Hawaii	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Idaho	Meets	
Illinois	Meets	
Indiana	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Iowa	Meets	
Kansas	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements. Initial License Requirements (ksde.org)
Kentucky	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements. Certification - Kentucky Department of Education
Louisiana	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Maine	Meets	
Marshall Islands	Meets	
Maryland	Meets	Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Massachusetts	Meets	Prior to renewal will need to meet state requirements. Up to 5 years to complete the Sheltered English Immersion Endorsement and the MTEL test .
Michigan	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Minnesota	Meets	
Mississippi	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
Missouri	Meets	
Montana	Meets	
Nebraska	Meets	Alternative Licensure Teaching Pathway 3 - only requires a license out-of-state)
Nevada	Meets	None noted, Out of State Checklist
New Hampshire	Meets	Basic Academic Skills in Reading, Writing and Mathematics, subject area content knowledge test when seeking teacher licensure in any one of the major areas of concentration in which the NH State Board of Education has established a passing score.
New Jersey	Meets	Individuals must pass a subject-matter test and approved performance assessment.
New Mexico	Meets	Elementary License (K-8) – New Mexico Public Education Department (state.nm.us)
New York	Meets	Does not recognize Initial License from Iowa. Completion of required exams: https://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/certexam.html Completion of required workshops: https://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/workshops-required-for-educator-certification.html
North Carolina	Meets	Prior to renewal, will need to meet state requirements.
North Dakota	Meets	Other State Educator License (OSEL) in North Dakota.

Northern Mariana Islands	Does not meet.	Proof of passing Praxis II for Classroom Teacher Certification; refer to this link for different requirements for ECH certification.
Ohio	Meets	Candidates may receive a one-year conditional license while preparing to take Ohio required exams. Candidates who hold a valid, standard out-of-state teaching license and need to complete the initial reading or phonics coursework requirements for Ohio licensure, must pass the Ohio Assessment for Educators (OAE) 190 Foundations of Reading exam on the first try.
Oklahoma	Meets	Verification Form
Oregon	Meets	
Palau	Meets	
Pennsylvania	Meets	
Puerto Rico	Does not meet.	Candidates need to take the PCMAS certification test. This test is required for all types of teaching certifications including traditional, provisional, Teacher's Certification, and Teacher's Life Certification. Must also be proficient in Spanish.
Rhode Island	Meets	Rhode Island recognizes full and aligned out-of-state certificates but requires compliance with current RI testing requirements.
South Carolina	Meets	
South Dakota	Meets	Individuals must complete an approved suicide awareness and prevention training and pass an approved South Dakota Indian studies course within one year. In addition, content test is required for special education.
Tennessee	Meets	Candidates must complete TN Literacy Success Act requirements as evidenced by completion of a qualifying training or assessment.
Texas	Meets	Before the standard license, candidates have a year to complete the testing requirements. The Science of Teaching Reading Exam is also required of all EC – 8 applicants.
Utah	Meets	Complete the License Equivalency Review (LER) Application. Have three years to complete any missing competencies or assessments.
Vermont	Meets	
Virgin Islands	Meets	Candidates must complete a course on the history of the Virgin Islands within the first year of employment. Elementary and secondary must pass tests for the certification area.
Virginia	Meets	
Washington	Meets	Candidates have one year to complete additional testing requirements.
West Virginia	Meets	
Wisconsin	Meets	Prior to license renewal, candidates will need to complete: Minority Group Relations WI American Indian Bands and Tribes, Stipulation and the Foundations of Reading Test (K-8

		and Special Education). GPA of 3.0 is needed.
Wyoming	Meets	Candidates might have further testing for elementary and social studies.
American Samoa	Meets	
Guam	Meets	