

STEPS TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION THROUGH MILITARY VETERAN'S PATHWAY

Teaching Certificates are issued by the State of Florida, Bureau of Educator Certification. Florida now issues a 5-year Temporary Certificate for military veterans who have not yet earned their bachelor's degree and meet the following eligibility:

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Minimum of 48 months of active duty military service with honorable/medical discharge DD214;
- Minimum of 60 college credits with 2.5 grade point average on an official transcript;
- Passing score on a Florida subject area examination for bachelor's level subjects which demonstrates master of subject area knowledge;
- Employment in a Florida school district, including charter schools with an assigned mentor; and
- Cleared background screening.

STEP 1: Official Statement of Status of Eligibility

- The online application for the Temporary Military Veterans Certificate is available at the following site address: <https://flcertify.fldoe.org/datamart/login.do>
- Submit an **official** college transcript from an accredited or approved institution. *
- Meet the subject content requirements or pass a subject area exam. (www.fl.nesinc.com) to establish eligibility.

- MILITARY CERTIFICATION FEE WAIVER APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING SITE: [Military Certification Fees Waiver site](#)

The Bureau of Educator Certification will not begin to process your application until **all** the above items have been received. Once your file is complete, it will take approximately 90 business days to receive your Official Statement of Status of Eligibility, depending on the time of year.

STEP 2: Five Year Non-renewable Temporary Certificate

- Hold a valid Statement of Status of Eligibility, which reflects no deficiencies in subject area requirements.
- The Temporary Certificate is issued only after you are employed.

STEP 3: Five-year Professional Certificate

- Apply and submit appropriate fee. www.fldoe.org/edcert
- Meet all requirements listed on your Statement of Status of Eligibility. These requirements **may** include:
 1. Completion of professional preparation (education courses) requirement.
 2. Awarded a bachelor's degree from an accredited college.
 3. Satisfy the testing requirements for general, professional, and subject area knowledge.
 4. Successfully complete an approved system for demonstration of Professional Education Competence (PEC).
 5. Satisfy the teaching experience requirement.

PLEASE NOTE:

Human Resources does not evaluate college transcripts.

The Statement of Status of Eligibility **IS NOT** a certificate

*Applicants with Foreign Academic Training visit: <https://www.fldoe.org/teaching/certification/foreign-trained-grads/index.stml>.

**For the Approved Credential Evaluations Agencies please visit: <https://www.fldoe.org/teaching/certification/foreign-trained-grads/approved-credential-evaluation-agencie.stml>.