

2020 Changes to Educator Licensing

CURRENT LICENSE HOLDERS:

License Designations - On July 1, 2020 all current Utah Educator Licenses will convert to an Associate or Professional Educator License. Please see [Board Rule R277-301](#) for more details about these new licenses. Feel free to watch this [informational video](#) about the changes coming to Educator Licensing.

- If you hold a current Alternative Routes to Licensure (ARL) or Academic Pathway to Teaching (APT) license and are hired at a local education agency (LEA) your license will automatically convert to an Associate Educator License on July 1, 2020 and you will continue working on your Professional Growth Plan (PGP) on the converted Associate Educator License.
- If you hold a current standard Level 1, 2, or 3 Utah Educator License it will convert automatically to a Professional Educator License.
- Anyone with an Associate Educator License will need to work with a state-approved university or LEA-alternate educator preparation program in order to move to a Professional Educator License.

THOSE SEEKING A UTAH EDUCATOR LICENSE:

- For employment to finish up the 2019-2020 school year, please work with your Human Resources department.
- For school year 2020-2021 and beyond: If you would like to become a teacher in Utah, you can complete a university educator preparation program or follow a local education agency (LEA)-alternate pathway to licensure. To utilize an alternate pathway program, you will need to earn your Associate Educator License, be hired at an LEA with an approved alternate educator preparation program, and work with the LEA to complete all requirements for the Professional Educator License.
- Associate Educator License Applications will be available on the Educator Licensing website starting March 1, 2020.
 - Requirements for the Associate Educator License include:
 - Bachelor's degree (or higher) from a regionally accredited university or evidence of appropriate CTE expertise.
 - Cleared [Utah State Board of Education \(USBE\) Background Fingerprint Check](#).
 - Submitted original transcripts from **all** universities. For an international degree, send your academic records for a transcript course-by-course and degree evaluation to a [Foreign Credential Evaluation Service](#).
 - Content Knowledge Assessment
 - Take the appropriate Praxis exam; see [Utah State Licensure Test Requirements Draft 2020](#), **or**
 - Have appropriate CTE certifications, **or**
 - Have a major in the field in which you are seeking licensure - Secondary and CTE license areas only.
 - Completed USBE Associate Educator License Modules (starting March 1, 2020)
 - Basic Special Education Law and Instruction
 - Educator Ethics
 - Classroom Management and Instruction
 - Utah Effective Teaching Standards (UETS)