

Teacher Salary Supplement Program (TSSP)

TSSP Subject Area Requirements

The following listing provides a breakdown for the various supplement-approved assignments. Refer to the subject area below for the legislative requirements:

Science Teacher Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Teacher must have the following.

1. **Degree:** *The teacher must have a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.*

Degree Major: The teacher's degree must be designated in CACTUS with one of the following majors:

- *Chemistry*
- *Physics*
- *Physical Science*
- *Integrated Science**
- *General Science**

**An Integrated Science or General Science degree is a historical degree which is no longer attainable or in existence but was included in the legislative language.*

OR

Qualifying Teaching Background: The teacher's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved science assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

2. **Appropriate Endorsements:** Teachers must hold a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
3. **Qualified Courses:** A teacher must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:

- *Integrated Science in Grade 7*
- *Integrated Science in Grade 8*
- *Chemistry*
- *Physics*

DEGREE MAJORS THAT **DO NOT QUALIFY:**

- *Biology*
- *Earth Sciences*
- *Geology*
- *Zoology*

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Mathematics Teacher Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Teacher must have the following.

1. **Degree:** The teacher must have a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.

Degree Major: The teacher's degree must be designated in CACTUS with the following major:

- *Mathematics*

OR

Qualifying Teaching Background: The teacher's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved secondary **mathematics** assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

2. **Appropriate Endorsements:** Teachers must hold a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
3. **Qualified Courses:** A teacher must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:
 - Secondary Mathematics
 - Grade Level 7 Mathematics
 - Grade Level 8 Mathematics

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Computer Science Teacher Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Teacher must have the following.

1. **Degree:** The teacher must have a bachelor's, master's degree or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.

Degree Major: The teacher's degree must be designated in CACTUS with one of the following majors:

- *Information Technology*
- *Computer Information Technology*
- *Computer Science – Level 2*

OR

Qualifying Teaching Background: The teacher's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved **computer science** assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

2. **Appropriate Endorsements:** Teachers must hold a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
3. **Qualified Courses:** A teacher must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:
 - Computer Science
 - Computer Literacy
 - Systems Integration
 - Systems Engineering

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Special Education Teacher Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Teacher must have the following.

1. **Degree:** The teacher must have a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.

Degree Major: The teacher's degree must be designated in CACTUS with one of the following majors:

- *Special Education*
- *Deaf and Hard of Hearing*
- *Mild/Moderate Disabilities*
- *Severe Disabilities*
- *Blind and Visually Impaired*
- *Preschool Special Education*

OR

Qualifying Teaching Background: The teacher's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved **special education** assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

2. **Appropriate Endorsements:** Teachers must hold a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
3. **Qualified Courses:** A teacher must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:
 - **Special Education Classroom Assignment(s)**
 - **Early Childhood (Pre-school) Special Education**