

The School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC)

Art Education Teacher Licensure State by State

For academic programs that may reasonably be assumed to lead to professional licensure, these disclosures indicate, as of October 2026, the states where the University has determined through reasonable, good faith effort that such programs:

- Do meet the applicable professional licensure education requirements;
- Do not meet the applicable professional licensure education requirements; or
- Have not been able to be identified as meeting the applicable professional licensure education requirements.

The National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) facilitates license reciprocity for member states that have signed the NASDTEC Interstate Agreement. The NASDTEC Interstate Agreement is a collection of individual agreements by member states pledging to “issue some form of authorization allowing an inbound certificate holder to legally teach or provide service in the receiving state, provided the license issued by the ‘sending’ state is acceptable under the agreement.” NASDTEC does not guarantee “full teacher license reciprocity” for member states, but does help clarify which licenses will transfer and what additional requirements must be met. All 50 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, Dept of Defense of Education Activity and Ontario, Canada have signed the NASDTEC Interstate Agreement.

<https://www.nasdtdec.net/page/Interstate>

https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.nasdtdec.net/resource/collection/0C62155D-3B17-4FFE-92EC-492E5AF67BA1/2025-2030_NASDTEC_Interstate_Agreement_Signeers_as_of_12-22-2025.pdf

edTPA: Only seven states still require the edTPA to be passed for licensure. Illinois is in the process of developing a new teacher assessment; edTPA is waived for teacher licensure through Sept 2029.

https://www.edtpa.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_StateRequirements.html

STATE	MEETS	DOES NOT	HAS NOT	NASDTEC -	edTPA States - as of October 2026	edTPA Required
Alabama			X	Yes	Policy in Place	37
Alaska			X	Yes	Not required	
Arizona			X	Yes	Not required	
Arkansas			X	Yes	Optional for Educator Preparation	37
California			X	Yes	edTPA is an option; other CA assessment	41
Colorado			X	Yes	Not required	
Connecticut			X	Yes	Not required	
D.C.			X	Yes	Not required	
Delaware			X	Yes	Not required	
Florida			X	Yes	Not required	
Georgia			X	Yes	Not required	
Guam			X	Yes	Not Applicable	
Hawaii			X	Yes	Policy in Place	Not Posted
Idaho			X	Yes	Not required	
Illinois	X			Yes	Not required; New IL TPA Pilot in Progress	
Indiana			X	Yes	Not required	
Iowa			X	Yes	Not required	
Kansas			X	Yes	Not required	
Kentucky			X	Yes	Not required	
Louisiana			X	Yes	Not required	
Maine			X	Yes	Not required	
Maryland			X	Yes	Policy in Place	Cut Scores to be
Massachusetts			X	Yes	Not required	
Michigan			X	Yes	Not required	
Minnesota			X	Yes	Partially required: Task 1 and Task 3	Task 1: 13; Task 3: 12
Mississippi			X	Yes	Not required	
Missouri			X	Yes	Not required	
Montana			X	Yes	Not required	
Nebraska			X	Yes	Not required	
Nevada			X	Yes	Not required	
New Hampshire			X	Yes	Not required	

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New Jersey			X	Yes	Not required	
New Mexico			X	Yes	Not required	
New York			X	Yes	Not required	
North Carolina			X	Yes	Policy in Place	38
North Dakota			X	Yes	Not required	
Ohio			X	Yes	edTPA is an option; other OH assessment	37
Oklahoma			X	Yes	Not required	
Oregon			X	Yes	Policy in Place	35
Pennsylvania			X	Yes	Not required	
Rhode Island			X	Yes	Not required	
South Carolina			X	Yes	edTPA is an option; other SC assessment	37
South Dakota			X	Yes	Not required	
Tennessee			X	Yes	Policy in Place	40
Texas			X	Yes	edTPA is an option; other TX assessment	See edTPA for Texas
Utah			X	Yes	Not required	35
Vermont			X	Yes	Not required	
Virginia			X	Yes	Not required	
Washington			X	Yes	Not required	
West Virginia			X	Yes	edTPA is an option; other WV assessment	36
Wisconsin			X	Yes	Not required	
Wyoming			X	Yes	Not required	