

CERTIFICATION 101

For updates to the requirements please visit:
<http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/rpr/CEChanges.pdf>



STEP 1: APPLY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY (CE)

Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree
- 3.0 GPA Minimum
- Pass CORE basic skills assessment (offered by ETS)
- Mandated hygiene test (offered at NJDOE County Ed Office)
- Passing Score on Praxis II Exam for license you seek.

STEP 2:

OBTAIN YOUR CE

STEP 3:

BEGIN YOUR JOB SEARCH

- **Apply to Rutgers-CE Program**
- **Complete 50-Hour Pre-Service Course**
- Your Certificate of Eligibility (CE) enables you to begin your job search. Securing a teaching position is required for enrollment in the 350 hours of formal instruction—Phase I, Phase II or Phase III. Teaching candidates **ENROLL THEMSELVES** in these courses upon receiving an offer for employment.

STEP 4:

START TEACHING!

- Enroll in a district mentoring program and CE educator preparation program.

STEP 5:

- **TAKE PHASE I, PHASE II AND PHASE III, Literacy & Math Courses**
- **Complete minimum 1 year of mentored teaching**
- **Receive at least 2 years of effective ratings over a 3 year period based on Achieve NJ evaluations**

Once your district/charter school registers you with the NJDOE provisional teacher system, **YOU MUST ENROLL** in training courses. You will also be assigned a mentor teacher.

STEP 6:

- **Enroll in Supervised Provisional Teaching II**
- **Complete Year 2 of Teaching**
- **Pass EdTPA Performance Assessment**

This assessment is mandated by the NJDOE
<http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/rpr/preparation/assessment/>

STEP 7:

RECEIVE YOUR STANDARD TEACHING LICENSE!

***NOTE:** These steps are specific to the Rutgers CE Program; however, they still provide an overview of the general process in New Jersey.