

NEW MEXICO PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
Professional Licensure Bureau

ENDORSEMENT AREAS

NOTES: An endorsement is attached to a teaching license to specify the content area in which a teacher may teach as authorized by the New Mexico Public Education Department (PED). Endorsements are added to most teaching licenses with the exception of the four core areas of language arts, science, mathematics and social studies, which are not added to Early Childhood, Elementary or Special Education licenses. Authorization has also been given to add the two endorsements of bilingual education and TESOL to Speech-Language Pathologist licenses.

An early childhood (B-3), elementary (K-8) and special education teacher (K-12) will continue to be authorized to teach in a self-contained classroom or in any of the core subject areas of: language arts, mathematics, science, or social studies in a departmental program without a separate endorsement in those areas. To teach in any field outside of the core subject areas for early childhood, elementary or special education, an endorsement in that teaching field is required. In addition, for elementary teachers teaching at the middle level and special education teachers teaching at the middle or secondary level, there must be evidence of being highly qualified.

REQUIREMENTS: Elementary, Early Childhood - 24 semester hours of coursework in a teaching field. A test is also required for the first endorsement on a new license. Endorsements can be added to an existing license with either the test or the hours.

Secondary, K-12 Specialty Area, and K-12 Special Education - 24 semester hours of coursework in the teaching field of which *12 must be earned at the upper division* (generally numbered 300 or above).

Middle Level - 24 semester hours of coursework in the teaching field of which *6 must be earned at the upper division* (generally numbered 300 or above).

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ENDORSEMENT AREAS: For each of the content areas indicated, suggestions are listed for typical coursework accepted for that academic content area's competencies.

- 01 **Visual Arts:** includes drawing, painting, sculpture, art history, art appreciation, photography, art lab, visual art design, basics of line, shape, form, color texture, art and culture, art of the southwest, computer graphic design.
- 03 **Technology Education:** includes welding, drafting, industrial arts, woodworking, and any coursework specific to computers.

- 04 **Health:** includes first aid, safety, personal health, nutrition, drugs & behavior, human sexuality, program planning and evaluation, human anatomy and physiology, human growth & development, life skills, conflict resolution, stress management, family relationships, mental health, community resources, wellness. Some nursing coursework also accepted.
- 05 **Physical Education:** includes all areas of sports, weight training, kinesiology, movement, dance, coaching, methods for physical education and most recreation courses.
- 07 **Library Media:** includes design and utilization of media, instructional design and development, selection and acquisition of materials, reference and bibliography, cataloging and classification of materials, children's literature, educational uses of computers and research. Some literacy coursework also accepted.
- 08 **Psychology:** includes all psychology coursework and child or human development.
- 10 **History, Geography, Economics, Civics and Government:** includes American history, world history, government, sociology, economics, geography, anthropology, political science, and art history, Chicano and Black Studies. Also accepted are law courses, criminal justice coursework and military coursework.
- 20 **Language Arts:** includes poetry, theatre, rhetoric, literature, writing, communication, composition, drama, English grammar, speech, journalism, English linguistics, and reading, English as a second language, public speaking, and handwriting.
- 24 **Reading:** all reading courses with RDG prefix, coursework for teaching of reading or any literacy courses that are reading methods coursework. This includes the teaching of writing.
- 27 **TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages):** includes up to 6 hours of any foreign language, methods for teaching English as a second language, culture (i.e. History of Southwest, Literature of the Southwest, education across cultures, cultural anthropology), English linguistics or phonetics, English grammar, assessment and parent/community involvement. Basic English composition courses are not acceptable for the grammar competency.
- 32 **Science:** includes biology, electricity, chemistry, geology, astronomy, meteorology, agricultural science courses, mineralogy, physics, physical science, ecology, botany, zoology, microbiology, anatomy & physiology, human growth & development, environmental science/studies, chemical engineering, bioengineering, biomedical engineering, industrial engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, civil engineering, health science, nutrition, kinesiology, biochemistry; evolutionary biology, biophysics, biological anthropology, nursing coursework also accepted.
- 45 **Information Technology Coordinator:** includes any coursework specific to computers. This endorsement has the distinction of allowing an alternative route through submission of a portfolio based on experience in the field. The portfolio must include the matrix and

checklist forms available on Licensure's portion of the Public Education Department's website: www.ped.state.nm.us

- 47 **Business Education:** includes business law, accounting, marketing, management, office machines, office procedures, shorthand, secretarial skills, computers, public relations, retailing, business policy, business analysis, finance, advertising, interviewing, and business math.
- 51 **Mathematics:** includes calculus, algebra, geometry, number theory, differential equations, computations, algorithms, modern analysis, statistics, chemical engineering, bioengineering, biomedical engineering, industrial engineering, mechanical engineering, finance, microeconomics, macroeconomics chemistry, physics, biochemistry, biophysics, civil engineering, electrical engineering.
- 60 **Modern & Classical Languages:** includes foreign language, culture & civilization, literature and linguistics in another language, (coursework must all be the same language to receive the endorsement).
- 67 **Bilingual:** includes coursework in the areas of Spanish or Native American language, methods of bilingual education, methods of teaching English as a second language, culture, parent/community involvement, assessment. We accept up to 12 hours of Spanish or Navajo language. Foreign language is not required if the individual has passed a language proficiency exam, but 12 hours of methodology & culture coursework is still required
- 72 **Family & Consumer Science:** includes food science, family studies, nutrition, marriage & family relations, consumer decisions, consumer education, parent-community interaction, clothing & textiles, interior design, contemporary family lifestyles, family management theories, entrepreneurship, child development, family finance, food preparation, housing, costume design, tailoring, experimental foods, etc.
- 82 **Agriculture:** any agriculture related coursework is acceptable.
- 90 **Performing Arts:** music, theatre or dance, with a concentration of 24 hours in one of those areas.

NOTES: Sometimes a college does not show upper division and all of their coursework appears to be numbered the same. If it is a four-year institution and the person received their bachelor's degree from that institution, then look at the junior and senior year's coursework as upper division.
