

PURDUE UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE

TRANSITION TO TEACHING

YOUR PATHWAY TO AN INDIANA PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR LICENSE!



Science of Reading Courses associated with the PFW Transition to Teaching Program have earned an “A+” from the National Council for Teacher Quality

I HAVE AN ACCREDITED BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND AM SEEKING TO BECOME A TEACHER IN...

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

- Earn an Indiana Professional Educators License (K-6) in just 18-24 months with our 24-credit hour program.
- Includes a six-credit hour reading block aligned with the Science of Reading satisfying Indiana's Early Literacy requirement.

SECONDARY EDUCATION

- Earn an Indiana Professional Educators License (5-12) in just 12-18 months with our 18-credit hour program.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Earn an Indiana Professional Educators License (P-12 SPED) in just 18-24 months with our 24-credit hour program.
- Includes a six-credit hour reading block aligned with the Science of Reading satisfying Indiana's Early Literacy requirement.
- Eligible for the Indiana Special Education Alternative License (I-SEAL).

ALL GRADES

Art, Music, Physical Education, World Languages, & Teachers of English as a New Language (TENL)

- Earn an Indiana Professional Educators License (P-12) in just 18-24 months with our 24-credit hour program.
- Includes a six-credit hour reading block aligned with the Science of Reading, with option to earn Indiana's Literacy Endorsement.

The Transition to Teaching (TTT) program offers a flexible online/hybrid format that combines virtual learning with peer and faculty interaction. Gain practical experience using direct, systematic, and explicit teaching methods.

Up to 21 credits of the TTT program can count toward a Master of Science in Education. Enrollment in the TTT program qualifies candidates for either an Emergency Permit or Transition to Teaching Permit, allowing you to teach in a P-12 classroom while completing your program.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the Purdue University Fort Wayne Transition To Teaching Programs requires a Baccalaureate Degree from an accredited postsecondary institution with one of the following:

- an official transcript reflecting 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 Grade Point Average Scale
- an official transcript reflecting 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 Grade Point Average Scale and documentation of five (5) years of professional experience
- Both a baccalaureate degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution, and proof of passing state approved content area examination(s) in the subject area.
- *Secondary Education Only:* B.S. Degree in your chosen subject area or related field in which you want to teach. Candidates seeking a teaching license for a content area that is different from their undergraduate degree must provide a passing Praxis Content Exam score prior to admission. A graduate degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution in the subject area or related field in which the person wants to teach may also be used for the basis of admission.

In addition, all students must submit the following documentation for admission to the program:

- Praxis Content Exam (if requested or required), Criminal History Report, Academic Statement of Purpose, Personal History Statement, 2 letters of reference, and Resume

PATHS TO LICENSURE

To be recommended for an Indiana Teacher License, you must also complete the following:

- Pass all required examination(s)
 - **Elementary Education**
 - Praxis Content Exams: Exam #5006, including subtests Exams #5007 (Elementary Education: Reading & Language Arts and Social Studies) and #5008 (Elementary Education: Math & Science)
 - Praxis Pedagogy Assessment Exam #5622 (Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades K-6)
 - Praxis Reading Exam #5205.
 - **Secondary Education**
 - Praxis Content Exam associated with the subject area of the desired secondary teaching license
 - Praxis Pedagogy Assessment Exam #5624 (Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12)
 - **All Grades (P-12)**
 - Praxis Content Exams vary by area of study
 - Praxis Pedagogy Assessment Exam #5625 (Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades PreK-12).
 - **Special Education**
 - Praxis Content Exam #5355 Special Education: Foundational Knowledge Applications, prior to student teaching
 - Praxis Reading Exam #5205
 - Praxis Pedagogy Assessment Exam #5625 (Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades P-12)
- Successfully pass all required coursework as listed in the Plan of Study for the program with a grade of C- or higher
- Complete all program assessments at or above the minimal level of acceptable performance
- Maintain a GPA in the program of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale
- Obtain CPR/AED/Heimlich certification
- Complete education and training on the prevention of child suicide

MASTER'S OF SCIENCE

Students wishing to pursue a Master's of Science in Education degree may apply up to 21 credit hours earned as part of the Transition To Teaching program to that associated degree option.

"The TTT program at PFW has been crucial in helping me grow into the most effective and confident teacher I can be. It has given me the proper tools and knowledge I need to positively impact my students' lives every day, which is the greatest gift of all."

-Hunter Clark, 2025

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