



BECOMING A CERTIFIED TEACHER

State of Arizona Professional Licensure Information

All NAU Teacher Education Programs lead to initial certification in the State of Arizona upon successful completion. These are the steps to receiving the Provisional Teacher Certificate:

1. Successful completion of degree program requirements and clearance for student teaching placement
2. Successful completion of the student teaching experience (single and/or dual placements, as applicable)
3. After degree is officially posted by NAU Registrar, Office of Fieldwork Experiences completes the Institutional Recommendation
4. Institutional Recommendation (IR) distributed to candidate
5. Earn passing scores for the required NES exams (check [website](#) for certification area requirements)
6. Possess a Valid [Arizona IVP fingerprint clearance card](#) (the State will not accept any other type of card)
7. Take the IR (with page 1 completed), NES Score Report(s), Valid [Arizona IVP fingerprint clearance card](#), and money to Arizona Department of Education (ADE) or attend NAU Certification Day
8. Receive the Provisional Teacher Certificate

Click here to access the [Arizona Department of Education Educator Certification](#) State specific information.

Institutional Recommendation (IR)

NAU's initial teacher preparation programs are approved by the [Arizona State Board of Education](#).

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