

# STATE-APPROVED TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO LICENSE, RECRUIT, AND EXPAND THE IMPACT OF GREAT TEACHERS.

ONLINE!



# TEACHER CERTIFICATION

Grow Your Own teaching staff with our state-approved teaching certification programs.

# TEACHER DEVELOPMENT

Upskill and retain teachers with modern, 21st-century, American teaching standards.

# TEACHER CERTIFICATION & TEACHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

We're on a mission to ensure that every child experiences the power of a great teacher. As part of that effort, we are proud to offer options for teacher certification and teacher development for your educators.

Our programs maintain high-quality standards that ensure our teachers are prepared for the classroom, confident in their abilities, and possess the unique insights, empathy, and skills to support students in Special Education - because our most vulnerable students deserve excellent teachers who will help prepare them for a bright future.

## **Teacher Certification Program:**

With our Teacher Certification Program (TCP) you can certify unlicensed teachers in your schools, or create a Grow Your Own Program that will help build your teacher pipeline. TCP allows unlicensed and aspiring educators to become fully certified to teach for a fraction of the time and cost compared to traditional programs.

# **Teacher Development Program:**

With our Teacher Development Program (TDP) you can upskill your teachers through modern, 21st-century, American teaching standards. This entirely asynchronous online professional development program is a perfect way for educators to develop their practice of teaching without getting fully certified.



# LICENSE CURRENT EDUCATORS WITH THE TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM



#### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

License teachers in your school through TCP. Candidates will complete 350 hours of online, asynchronous core curriculum along with an approximately 450-hour clinical placement in their current role at your school.

#### **BENEFITS FOR SCHOOLS**

- Train unlicensed teachers within your school.
- Align your faculty's pedagogy and curriculum to that of a U.S. curriculum.
- Ensure quality education for your students with TCP's 21st-century learning standards.

#### **PROGRAM DETAILS**

- Candidates can concurrently complete their online coursework and clinical placement, allowing them to earn their license in as few as 6-9 months.
- Enroll candidates individually or via larger, private cohorts.
- Candidates may join one of our bi-monthly cohort start dates throughout the year.
- Group discounts are available for schools that enroll 5 or more candidates.
- The clinical placement must be completed at an internationally accredited school that follows a U.S. curriculum.

# RECRUIT & TRAIN WITH THE TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM



#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Hire teachers for your school through our unique Recruit & Train program. Aspiring teachers will complete 350-hours of the online, asynchronous core curriculum and will then complete their 450-hour clinical placement at a role at your school, allowing you to find great candidates, train them, and retain them.

#### **BENEFITS FOR SCHOOLS**

- Hire prospective, eager teachers on their pathway to licensure to work in your school.
- Incentivize your educators by investing in their licensure.
- Retain newly licensed teachers for years.

#### **PROGRAM DETAILS**

- Candidates will complete their online coursework from anywhere in the world. Their clinical placement will then be completed via an open role at your school.
- Schools may offer additional incentives, such as a salary, benefits, or lodging for their candidates.
- Once licensed, teachers will remain working at the school for a pre-determined time period.
- The clinical placement must be completed at an internationally accredited school that follows a U.S. curriculum.

# UPSKILL YOUR EDUCATORS WITH THE TEACHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



#### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Develop your teachers' pedagogy and improve student outcomes, from anywhere in the world, through a top-quality professional development program that has been approved by multiple U.S. states.

#### **BENEFITS FOR SCHOOLS**

- Upskill the teachers within your school.
- Synchronize your teachers' learning to modern, 21st-century learning standards
- Boost morale amongst your staff by supporting their development

#### **PROGRAM DETAILS**

- Program can be completed from anywhere around the world
- Teachers can work at their own pace, or at the rate set by the school administration
- Professional graders offer weekly feedback on any work teachers submit
- ✓ Volume discounts available

#### **OUR ADVANTAGE**

Through our online program, qualified applicants can fulfill their dreams of becoming a teacher whether you are local or learning from a global location.

#### ■ FULL-SERVICE COMMUNITY

We offer a full-service community to fully support your certification journey. From course work to your job search, we're here for you. From the application process to helping you land a teaching job, TCP offers a network of support to ensure you are never alone in your journey to the classroom.

#### SEAMLESS EXPERIENCE

To make enrollment easy, we connect you with one of our admissions specialists who will help you through the application process, ensuring you a quality, seamless experience.

#### DIGITAL PLATFORM

TCP also combines the value of real-life preparedness with the flexibility and convenience of a digital learning platform. Get started on the program anywhere with internet access.

#### ASYNCHRONOUS PROGRAM

From expert instructors and weekly lesson requirements to mentor office hours and a collaborative community of learners, TCP is largely an asynchronous program that systematically sets you up for success.

#### FLEXIBLE & AFFORDABLE

Whether you're a new grad, an unlicensed working teacher, or even someone with a bachelor's degree looking to make a career change, TCP is the most flexible and affordable way to achieve your goal of becoming a great teacher.





# TEACHER CERTIFICATION YOU CAN TRUST

Tech Away and Klassroom train confident, compassionate teachers through our comprehensive programs.

Our innovative programs are fast and affordable without sacrificing quality or competence.



#### **BENEFITS FOR CANDIDATES**

- High-quality, state-approved programming including full reciprocity with other states
- Ongoing support from admissions advisors, mentors, and preparation coordinators throughout the program
- Flexible online learning through a blend of online core curriculum and in-person clinical placements
- The opportunity for a paid teaching placement and ongoing career opportunities
- One of the most affordable programs available

With TCP, you'll enjoy the benefits of a modern learning environment combined with tried and true educator preparation methods.









# **HOW WE COMPARE**

We stacked our alternative certification program up against traditional pathways to teaching to showcase how accessible it truly is – and how it's the right move for your career!

CONSIDERATIONS	TRADITIONAL PATHWAYS*	OUR TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM	OUR TEACHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
Time to Completion	2-4 years	Under a year	2-3 months
Program Investment	\$30,000 USD	\$5,000 USD  volume pricing is available at a discount	\$1,000 USD  volume pricing is available at a discount
Employment and Learning Support	Your in-classroom peers, teacher career suggestions, recruitment support	Access to a global network of peers, as well as your online classmates, an onground, in-person placement mentor, and an ecosystem of recruitment professionals to support your next steps	Professional graders offer weekly feedback on any work teachers submit
Program Flexibility	Strict physical classroom setting and set hours	Flexible, online, complete from anywhere in the world	Asynchronous, online, complete from anywhere in the world at your own pace
Paid Opportunities	Teaching placements are typically unpaid	Possibility to secure a paid teaching placement	Align skills to the current and best practices in education

<sup>\*</sup> Traditional Pathways to Becoming a Teacher

#### WE ARE AAQEP-RECOGNIZED

TCP is state-approved and recognized by AAQEP, the Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation. Our recognition status means that all aspects of our program have been reviewed by top education experts.

#### WE ARE ONLINE

Our six months of coursework is delivered online, so you can complete the curriculum from anywhere in the world. You will need 15 hours a week for course content from the comfort of your home.



#### WE ARE INNOVATIVE

Stay current with teacher preparation and global education through our contemporary curriculum relevant to the 21st-century classroom.



### WE ARE SUPPORTIVE

Each cohort is approximately 15 students allowing you to build a community of peers. Each class will also be assigned a mentor and will have access to a preparation coordinator.



As one of the most affordable ways to become a certified teacher in the US, TCP offers the education you need at a price you can afford.



#### WE ARE COMPREHENSIVE

Our flexible clinical placement opportunities allow you to work or complete your student teaching internship in your desired subject and grade levels with practical support within the US and even overseas!

## LEARNING FROM THE BEST

Our coursework is designed and delivered by leading academics in the field of teacher preparation. With M.EDs and PhDs from top universities across the USA, they've built an online course that supports our mission to develop great teachers with an emphasis on being globally minded, culturally aware and digitally adept.

#### MEET OUR TCP ONLINE MENTOR & INSTRUCTORS

#### DR. NIKKI WISHARD

Our teacher candidates will work under the guidance of Dr. Nikki Wishard. She graduated Summa Cum Laude from Capella University with a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction. Dr. Wishard also holds a Master's degree in Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment from Walden University. In addition to writing curriculum, she is a recognized Apple Teacher who teaches Spanish at the Career Magnet School in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. Dr. Wishard also serves as a member of the school's Leadership Team and as a representative on the school board's Curriculum and Technology Committee.



#### DR. STEVE FRANCIS

Dr. Francis graduated Magna Cum Laude from Capella University with a Doctor of Education degree in Curriculum & Instruction. His doctoral capstone was centered on completing a program evaluation of a state-mandated initiative intended to increase students' reading performance on standardized tests, particularly in high poverty elementary schools. He also has a Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education and a Masters Degree in Educational Leadership from Capella University. Dr. Francis has over 14 years of experience working in elementary education as a Classroom Teacher, Instructional Mentor for beginning teachers in the district's Teacher Induction Program, Response to Intervention Reading Teacher, and Professional Development Trainer. In addition, Dr. Francis has served as a subject matter expert in supporting a globally-diverse student population in his former role as a volunteer Online Course Instructor for University of the People.



## SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS AND COORDINATORS



#### DR. LATOYA THOMAS-DIXON

M.Ed., Adjunct Faculty, Concordia University



#### **ROSHONDRA SIPP**

MS.ED., Director of Instructional Resources, Mississippi Public Broadcasting



#### JILLIANE STEELMAN

MA in Special Education
Director of Curriculum and Instruction ,
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#### DR. ARTI JOSHI

Ph.D. in Child & Family Studies
Associate Professor, The College of Jersey



#### JENNY BARD

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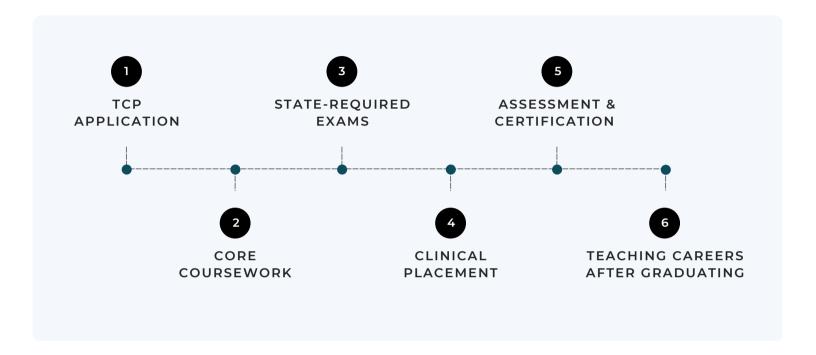


#### DR. CATHERINE FREERICKS

BA, M.Ed, Ed. D Arizona Teacher Preparation Coordinator

### THE PATH TO CERTIFICATION

Through our innovative program, qualified applicants can fulfill their dreams of becoming a teacher, quickly and affordably, without sacrificing quality or competence.



#### **OUR COMMITMENT**



Our team is committed to creating a world where every student experiences the power of a great teacher.



With TCP, we're committed to supporting future leaders in education in taking the next step in their teaching journey.



It's no secret that there are amazing teachers out there who are restricted by the time and money it takes to get fully qualified. TCP removes such barriers for current but unlicensed teachers and aspiring teachers alike.



Our program is flexible, allowing busy candidates from all stages of life the opportunity to complete the program online and in an expedited timeline compared to the traditional path to teacher certification.

# THE APPLICATION PROCESS

WHAT YOU NEED

Any US citizen with a bachelor's degree who is eager to start a rewarding teaching career can apply to TCP.

Our application process avoids the rigor of a college application and is completed in two simple steps:



#### **HOW TO APPLY**

TO BEGIN YOUR
APPLICATION PROCESS YOU
WILL NEED THE FOLLOWING:

- Scanned degree transcripts
- Bachelor's degree in any field
- **☑** English language proficiency
- ☑ Criminal record check declaration
- ☑ Updated resume

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SELECTED CANDIDATES WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AN ONLINE APPLICATION, WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- Official transcripts
- ✓ Video interview
- ☑ Criminal background check copy

# **APPLICATION BROWNIE POINTS**

# PASSION, CREATIVITY & GLOBAL COMPETENCY

We value globally-minded teachers that are passionate about their work, put their students first, show integrity and bring a spark of creativity to the classroom.

### **OUR GRADUATES ARE**

- Globally competent
- Culturally aware
- Digitally adept
- Reflective practitioners
- Professionally curious
- Creative, thoughtful & passionate about making the world a better place

#### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

#### **CLINICAL PLACEMENT**

Regardless of your completion route, our team will support your clinical placement search.

Teacher candidates must secure a paid or unpaid position in a classroom where they will have the ability to complete all requirements of the placement.

#### **ASSESSMENT & CERTIFICATION**

Teacher Candidates are required to a) maintain a 3.0 throughout core coursework and clinical placement, and b) receive a passing score on the respective state required exams (AEPA/NES professional and subject knowledge tests).

#### TEACHING CAREERS AFTER GRADUATING

Our teachers work in leading schools both at home and abroad. They are connected to a global network of like-minded professionals so that they can continue to develop and learn as their careers flourish. Graduates of this program are most likely to pursue careers in the classroom.



#### **TEACHER CERTIFICATION RECIPROCITY**

Wondering about teaching in another state, online, or abroad?

Teacher Certification Reciprocity, or Teaching Credential Reciprocity, is an agreement between states that allows individual states to recognize each other's different teaching credentials. It determines which states your state-issued teaching certificate is transferable to.

TCP is proud to offer a licensure program that holds reciprocity with 47/50 states in America. This means that upon successful completion of TCP you can transfer your teaching license to another state, or use it to teach online or abroad.

This certification opportunity can be done online and remotely and offers a complete pathway to becoming a licensed teacher. Our unique program allows candidates to earn a sought-after American teaching license from anywhere in the world.





\*In order to complete TCP from abroad, your clinical placement must be completed at an internationally accredited school that follows a U.S. curriculum.

#### TEACHER CERTIFICATION RECIPROCITY

While reciprocity requirements vary from state to state, the following states hold reciprocity with our state teaching certifications. To learn more about your state's specific requirements, please research your state's NASDTEC Interstate Agreement.

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Florida
- Georgia
- Hawai'i

- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
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- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Minnesota

- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Montana
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon

- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah
- Vermont
- Virginia
- Washington
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming

New Mexico, New York, and South Dakota do not participate in the NASDTEC Interstate Agreement and do not have reciprocity with other states.



# WHAT TEACHER CANDIDATES ARE SAYING ABOUT TCP



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This program allowed me to continue teaching at the school I was working at while working to become a fully certified teacher. The classwork was fast-paced but it was geared towards the knowledge that you need as a teacher in a classroom setting.

- Kaytlyn, TCP Graduate

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I was already working abroad in a school, I just needed to get my license in order to be a practicing teacher, open up more jobs in the future, and also to allow myself to have that confidence in the classroom. Through TCP I was able to get that.

- Kevin, TCP Graduate

READY TO GET STARTED WITH TCP?

Pre-qualify for free

#### INTRODUCING THE TEACHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Interested in our Teacher Certification Program without certification?

Klassroom and Teach Away have teamed up to bring you the Teacher Development Program (TDP); an entirely asynchronous, online professional development program for educators looking to upskill, without getting fully certified.



## Loved by school leaders.

- Synchronize your teachers' learning to modern, 21st-century learning standards
- Align teachers' skills and pedagogies to that of a U.S. curriculum.
- Boost morale amongst your staff by supporting their development
- Attract and retain new teaching talent to your school
- Volume discounts available

# Designed for busy educators.

- Entirely asynchronous and online
- Teachers can work at their own pace, or at the rate set by the school administration
- Professional graders offer weekly feedback on any work teachers submit

### WHY CHOOSE TDP?

# **Modern Upskilling**

TDP follows a U.S. framework that is foundationally based on an American curriculum, allowing schools to synchronize their teachers' pedagogies and align their skills to the current and best practices in education.

#### **Controllable Retention**

Training educators is one of the best ways to retain them for longer and attract new teaching talent to your school. Boost morale amongst your staff by supporting their development.

# **Quality Programming**

TDP is a top-quality program that has been approved by multiple U.S. states. The AAQEP-accredited and state-approved subject matter has allowed hundreds of teachers to earn certification in America. TDP allows you to improve outcomes for your students and upskill your teachers.

# **Easy Access**

TDP was designed for busy educators. The completely online, asynchronous coursework means your teachers can work at their own pace, or at the rate set by the school administration. Our professional graders offer weekly feedback on any work your teachers submit, so your educators can further their learning without feeling overwhelmed.

READY TO GET
STARTED WITH TDP?

Meet with a TDP Advisor

## **CHOOSING BETWEEN TCP AND TDP**

Both the Teacher Certification (TCP) and the Teacher Development Program (TDP) offer many benefits for schools and candidates. Use this quick guide to determine which program is the best fit for your needs.

	Teacher Certification Program	Teacher Development Program
Application Requirements	<ul> <li>Bachelor's degree</li> <li>2.5 GPA overall or in the final year of the undergraduate degree</li> <li>Eligible to work in the USA</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bachelor's degree</li> <li>2.5 GPA overall or in the final year of the undergraduate degree</li> <li>No employment eligibility required</li> </ul>
Coursework	<ul> <li>Complete the coursework from anywhere</li> <li>100% online</li> <li>Ability to keep up with weekly assignments</li> <li>Feedback provided by professional graders and online mentors for weekly assignment submissions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete the coursework from anywhere</li> <li>100% online</li> <li>Asynchronous assignments Complete at your pace</li> <li>Feedback provided by professional graders on a weekly basis</li> </ul>
Clinical Placement	<ul> <li>Complete at a school anywhere in America or at an accredited, U.S curricular school</li> <li>Paid placement opportunities *</li> </ul>	No Clinical Placement required
State- Required Exams	Ability to pass Arizona State licensure tests within-subject and professional knowledge exams by AEPA/NES	No state exams required
Cost Associated	<ul><li>\$5000 USD/candidate</li><li>Volume discounts available</li><li>Military discounts available</li></ul>	<ul><li>\$1000 USD/candidate</li><li>Volume discounts available</li></ul>
Final Result	<ul> <li>Teacher Certification</li> <li>A teacher certification issued by the Arizona Department of Education</li> <li>Ability to transfer teacher certification to other states, through teacher certification reciprocity**</li> </ul>	Professional Development & Upskilling  Further knowledge of 21st-century teaching standards and practices, developed in accordance with the Arizona Department of Education

<sup>\*</sup>Paid clinical placement opportunities are determined on a case-by-case basis.

<sup>\*\*</sup>To learn more about your state's reciprocity agreements, please research your state's NASDTEC Interstate Agreement.

# TCP AND TDP PROGRAM COMPARISON CHART

Program Inclusions	Teacher Certification Program	Teacher Development Program
Module 1: Role of the Teacher	✓	<b>✓</b>
Module 2: Learner Development and Experiences	✓	✓
Module 3: Assessing Student Learning	✓	✓
Module 4: Planning for Instruction and Instructional Strategies	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
Module 5: The Role of the Special Education Teacher	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
Literacy Method 1	<b>√</b>	✓
Literacy Method 2	✓	✓
Numeracy	✓	✓
Science	✓	✓
Social Sciences	✓	✓
Structured English Immersion	<b>√</b>	✓
Professional Development and Upskilling	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
Clinical Placement	<b>√</b>	
State-Approved Teacher Certification	<b>√</b>	

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