

CS Application Form



Applications will be accepted January 2, 2012—March 16, 2012

Name (print) _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

E-mail _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Please select your desired certification area from below (check one):

- Early Childhood Grades PreK-3
- Elementary Grades 1-5
- Foreign Language Grades 1-12
- Middle School English/Language Arts Grades 4-8
- Secondary English/Language Arts Grades 6-12
- Middle School Math Grades 4-8
- Secondary Math Grades 6-12
- Middle School Science Grades 4-8
- Secondary Science Grades 6-12
- Middle School Social Studies Grades 4-8
- Secondary Social Studies Grades 6-12
- Special Education/Mild-to-Moderate Grades 1-5
- Special Education/Mild-to-Moderate Grades 4-8
- Special Education/Mild-to-Moderate Grades 6-12

All applicants must provide a complete packet for consideration.

Application Materials

- Completed application form
- Non-refundable \$60 application fee
Please make the check or money order payable to:
LRCE-Certification Solutions
(There will be a \$20 charge for all NSF checks)
- Resume or Curriculum Vitae that includes:
 - Work experience*
 - Leadership roles*
 - Organizational affiliations*
 - Past education and training*
- Statement of intent of at least 300 words addressing:
 - Why you want to become a teacher.*
 - How your knowledge and experiences can contribute to the success of your students.*
- Official sealed transcript from the accredited college or university where your degree was conferred.
Transcripts must be mailed directly to Certification Solutions from the college or university.
- Passing PRAXIS I and II scores (or proof of exemption from the PRAXIS I) by April 15, 2012

Please mail all application materials to:

LRCE-Certification Solutions
5550 FLORIDA BOULEVARD
BATON ROUGE, LA 70806

225.924.7600 *Phone*
225.924.3098 *Fax*
800.449.1908 *Toll-free*



CERTIFICATION SOLUTIONS

Alternative Teacher Certification

Summer 2012 Cohort



For dynamic professionals seeking a rewarding new career path, learn more about an opportunity to obtain certification in as little as one year while teaching full-time and earning a full-time teacher salary.

Areas of Certification



Early Childhood	Grades PreK-3
Elementary	Grades 1-5
Foreign Language	Grades 1-12
English/Language Arts	Grades 4-8 or 6-12
Math	Grades 4-8 or 6-12
Science	Grades 4-8 or 6-12
Social Studies	Grades 4-8 or 6-12
Special Education/Mild-to-Moderate	Grades 1-5, 4-8, or 6-12

Special Education participants will receive dual certification in both Special Education and the content area in which they take the PRAXIS II.

The PRAXIS Series™



The PRAXIS Series™ assessments are educational tests Louisiana uses as part of its teacher licensure and certification process. Applicants are required to pass the PRAXIS I and II Content Specialty exams by April 15, 2012 before participating in *Certification Solutions* (CS).*

For more information about PRAXIS, visit Educational Testing Services at www.ets.org/praxis.

To determine your appropriate Content Specialty exam, download PRAXIS Requirements at www.LRCE.org.

*Applicants with a Master's degree, ACT score of 22 or higher or SAT score of 1030 or higher are exempt from taking PRAXIS I, but must provide proof of exemption to be eligible.

Tuition



Total cost for the program is \$4,000 (excluding application and licensing fee).

Payments are structured in the following installments:

May 15, 2012	\$2,000
October 31, 2012	\$250
November 30, 2012	\$250
December 31, 2012	\$250
January 31, 2013	\$250
February 28, 2013	\$250
March 31, 2013	\$250
April 30, 2013	\$250
May 31, 2013	\$250

Qualifications



- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- Minimum 2.50 GPA
- U.S. citizenship or work permit
- Satisfactory background check as required by the hiring school system
- Passing scores on the PRAXIS I and II Content Specialty exams by April 15, 2012

Application Timeline



January 2, 2012-March 16, 2012

Submit completed packet to CS.

Applications will not be accepted after March 16, 2012.

Applications will be pre-screened prior to applicants being notified about whether or not they have been selected for an interview. Not all applicants will be selected for an interview.

Due to the large number of applicants, all contact from the CS staff is made [via email](#).

February, 2012-April, 2012

Personal Interview with CS staff member. Due to the limited number of spots available, as well as districts' demand for teachers, not all applicants who are interviewed will be accepted into the program.

Acceptance (and rejection) letters will be emailed within three weeks of the personal interview. Acceptance will be provisional until passing PRAXIS I and II Content Specialty scores have been submitted (the deadline to submit passing scores is April 15, 2012).

May 15, 2012

Acceptance meeting for all accepted applicants.

Deadline to submit \$2,000 Summer Institute fee.

Job Placement



CS does not guarantee job placement. Participants are responsible for actively pursuing employment and can apply at both public and state-approved non-public schools.

CS Overview



STEP 1

Summer Institute, May 29-July 13, 2012

7 week course, M-F approx. 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Curriculum:

- Educational theory and methodology seminars
- Field experience at area summer schools (field experience times may vary)
- Assessment
- Special Education and Reading in the Content Area workshops
- School Law seminar

STEP 2

Teaching Full-Time (on your Practitioner's License)

Support Services:

- Learning Team seminars (Mondays, 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.)
Content specific training on lesson plans, discipline, professional development and best practices
- Practitioner Advisors
Mentors providing onsite guidance and support

STEP 3

Level 1 Certification

Requirements:

- Completion of one full school year (180 days) of teaching on a Practitioner's License
- Passing scores on PRAXIS Principles of Learning and Teaching or Special Education exams
- Passing score on the PRAXIS Teaching Reading (0204) exam for Early Childhood, Elementary, and Special Education participants
- Positive evaluations from principal, school district, CS Learning Team leader, Practitioner Advisor, and CS Director/Staff
- Regular attendance and participation at CS Learning Team seminars
- Full payment of the \$4,000 tuition

For More Information



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www.LRCE.org (*Certification Solutions*)