

Educational Requirements for Skilled and Technical Sciences Teachers

Delaware State law requires that all educators be licensed and certified, or hold a permit, in order to provide services to students.

GENERAL STATE OF DELAWARE TEACHING LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited four-year institution.
 - *STS educators who do not hold a Bachelor’s degree may be qualified to enter the field with the equivalent of a Bachelor’s Degree as described below.*
- Completion of student teaching as part of an Educator Preparation Program.
- Passing score on a Content Knowledge Exam (i.e., Praxis II, ACTFL), as required.
- Passing score on a state-approved teacher Performance Assessment (i.e., PPAT, edTPA, or state-created from another jurisdiction).
- Satisfy any additional licensure and certification requirements (i.e., additional coursework).

Educators who wish to earn Skilled and Technical Science Certification must meet one of the education options below in order to meet State law requirements as defined in Regulation 1559 Skilled and Technical Sciences Teacher:

(<http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title14/1500/1559.shtml#TopOfPage>)

Education Option #1	Education Option #2	Education Option #3
Bachelor’s Degree from a regionally accredited college or university in any content area	Equivalent of a Bachelor’s Degree	Equivalent of a Bachelor’s Degree
	4.3.1 – Associate’s Degree and additional education	4.3.2 – Two Years of College or Technical Training and additional education <small>NOTE: This is the mandatory MINIMUM level of education for hire.</small>
MUST hold a Bachelor’s Degree in any content area	MUST Hold an Associate’s degree in any content area	Satisfactorily completed Two Years of College or Technical Training <small>(U.S. Department of Ed has established that an Associate Degree is 60 credits. https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ous/international/usnei/us/associate.doc)</small>
AND	AND	AND
(9) Career-related credits related to area of certification*	(9) Career-related credits related to area of certification*	(9) Career-related credits related to area of certification*
(6) Education Pedagogy credits*	(6) Education Pedagogy credits*	(6) Education Pedagogy credits*
	AND the additional requirements of:	AND the additional requirements of:
	(21) college credits or their equivalent in professional development or technical training with at least one (1) course in each of the specified content areas**	(21) college credits or their equivalent in professional development or technical training with at least one (1) course in each of the specified content areas**
		(15) non-duplicated college credits taken either as part of a degree program or in addition to it from a regionally accredited college or university, with at least one (1) course in each of the following specified content areas**
Total college credits, in addition to a Bachelor’s Degree:	Total college credits, in addition to an Associates Degree:	Total college credits, in addition to the two (2) years of college or technical training:
15 credits	36 credits	51 credits
<small>*All applicable college credits and some technical training may be used to meet the career-related credits and education pedagogy credits requirements. **Credits may not be used from any existing degrees or college credits to meet the 21 & 15 credit requirements unless the educator has met the 60-credit minimum or the two (2) years of technical training. If the educator has met these minimums, any credits above 60 or beyond the two (2) years of technical training may be applied towards the 21 & 15 requirement.</small>		