

282—13.5(272) Teacher licenses. A license may be issued to an applicant who fulfills the general requirements set out in subrule 13.5(1) and the specific requirements set out for each license.

13.5(1) General requirements. The applicant shall:

- a. Have a baccalaureate degree.
- b. Have completed a state-approved teacher education program.
- c. Have completed the teacher preparation coursework set forth in 281—subrules 79.15(2) to 79.15(5).
- d. Have completed student teaching in the subject area and grade level endorsement desired.
- e. Have completed the requirements for one of the basic teaching endorsements.
- f. Provide a recommendation for the specific license and endorsement(s) from the designated recommending official at the recognized institution where the preparation was completed.

13.5(2) Applicants from non-Iowa institutions.

a. Original application. Applicants under this subrule have completed a teacher preparation program outside the state of Iowa and are applying for their first Iowa teaching license. An applicant from a non-Iowa institution:

- (1) Shall submit a copy of a valid or expired regular teaching certificate or license exclusive of a temporary, emergency or substitute license or certificate. Endorsements shall be granted based on comparable Iowa endorsements, and endorsement requirements may be waived in order to grant the most comparable endorsement.
- (2) Shall provide verification of successfully passing the mandated assessment(s) in the state in which the applicant is currently licensed, if applicable.
- (3) Shall not be subject to any pending disciplinary proceedings in any state or country.
- (4) Shall comply with all requirements with regard to application processes and payment of licensure fees.

b. Holders of an Iowa regional exchange license issued prior to June 16, 2022, may submit a new application if the requirements in this subrule would have been met at the time of their initial application.

13.5(3) Applicants from foreign institutions. An applicant for initial licensure whose preparation was completed in a foreign institution must additionally obtain a course-by-course credential evaluation report completed by one of the board-approved credential evaluation services and then file this report with the Iowa board of educational examiners for a determination of eligibility for licensure. After receiving the notification of eligibility by the Iowa board of educational examiners, the applicant must provide verification of successfully passing the Iowa-mandated assessment(s) by meeting the minimum score set by the Iowa department of education. If the applicant submits a teaching credential from another country or a credential evaluation report that verifies the completion of a full teacher preparation program from an accredited institution, the testing requirement may be waived.

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