

BECOME A TEACHER THROUGH THE

ALTERNATE ROUTE TO CERTIFICATION PROGRAM (ARC)



ABOUT US:

- Accelerated 9-month program for highly motivated adults who wish to become a certified classroom teacher
- Offered through the Connecticut Office of Higher Education

PROGRAM INSIGHT:

- Hybrid program model with online classes 2 nights per week and in-person classes 2-3 Saturdays per month
- 40-day practicum which allows you to practice teaching and interactive skills in a real classroom setting
- DSAP, LTS, and other educational opportunities shared with candidates to support teaching experience and growth
- Tuition discount for Military connected



CERTIFICATION AREAS:

- Business Education 4-12
- English 4-12
- Mathematics 4-12
- Science 4-12 (Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, General Science & Physics)
- World Languages K-12
- Family Consumer Sciences PreK-12
- Music PreK-12
- Technology Education PreK-12



Program Enrollment

Enrollment for the
2026-2027 Program will
open in January 2026

*Begin your path
to teaching today!*

Learn more about ARC
Program Admission and how to
begin an application on the
[ARC Website](https://www.ohe.ct.gov/ARC/)



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SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING YOUR ARC APPLICATION



Admissions Action Plan



Online Application Opens January 2026

Review the [ARC Eligibility Requirements](#), then begin your online application. Review [Testing Requirements](#) document, register, prepare and take the tests. Create a timeline to ensure all application materials will be ready for submission before the deadline(s).



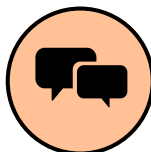
Complete Testing Now

Take tests early to ensure that you complete Praxis Core and pass your Subject Area test. ETS scoring takes 3-5 weeks and there is a 28 day waiting period for retakes. If applying for the Praxis Core Waiver submit passing SAT/ACT scores as soon as possible. All passing test scores must be **received** by the admissions deadline for program consideration.



Submit Online Application

The online application includes your personal statement, resume, and application fee should be submitted. Applications will not be accepted after the established April 2026 application deadline.



Submit Materials

Once you have submitted an application, frequently check your Empower Application Portal and email to ensure your application materials are being received by the ARC Office. Follow up with references. Contact oh.e.arc@ct.gov as needed.



Materials Deadline

All required passing test scores, official transcripts, and completed references will be due by the established June 2026 deadline.

Application
Support



TEACH CT has free application resources and provides \$100 application fee reimbursement!

