

Alternative Route to Licensure Program (ARL) Post-Baccalaureate Certificate

The ARL/post-baccalaureate certification program at GBC enables students who have completed an undergraduate degree to become eligible for licensure to teach in Nevada in the areas of early childhood, elementary, secondary, and special education.

In order to apply to the program, a student must have already completed a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution. It is imperative that students seek advising from the teacher education department faculty.

Once in the program, students will adhere to the rules of the current teacher education program handbook. Students must remain continuously enrolled and complete the program requirements within three years.

Application

To be eligible for the ARL/post-baccalaureate program at GBC, students must:

- Hold a bachelor's degree with a minimum GPA of 3.0, cumulative or over the last 40 credits.
- Apply to Great Basin College.
- Complete an ARL/post-baccalaureate program application.
- Successfully pass the admissions interview (assesses dispositions, basic communication skills, and background knowledge) with program faculty and staff.
- Pass the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators exam, or equivalent, as prescribed by the Nevada Department of Education for initial licenses. Master's degree holders are exempt.
- Pass a fingerprint background check, or hold a valid substitute license issued by the Nevada Department of Education.
- Secondary only: Pass the Praxis Content Area exam for the desired subject endorsement area, as prescribed by the Nevada Department of Education for initial licenses.

To be eligible to apply for a conditional license, and be able to teach full time in a Nevada school district or charter school, ARL students must:

- Be accepted into the GBC ARL program.
- Accept and remit to the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) an offer of employment from a Nevada school district in GBC's service area.
- Maintain continuous enrollment in your ARL program of study.
- Be evaluated each year as effective or highly effective by your school-site administrator for a minimum of two years and a maximum of three years.

How participants will be mentored and evaluated during their school-based experience.

For program participants employed by a Nevada school district or charter school, the employer will agree to pair the participant with a mentor. The mentor will conduct classroom observations and meet with the participant on a regular basis to discuss issues as related to his/her teaching assignment and to support his/her success as a new teacher.

For program participants not employed as a full time teacher under the conditional license, a minimum of 110 hours of field experience will be conducted and supervised by a lead teacher and program faculty, in addition to student teaching. A portfolio, aligned with the INTASC Standards, will be completed and evaluated during the student teaching and capstone semester.

Note: Students who are offered employment and receive the conditional license from NDE will be classified under the appropriate ARL degree code. Those who are not hired full-time, but complete the traditional pathway including student teaching, will be classified under the Post-baccalaureate (PB) degree code.

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Early Childhood Education (birth to 2nd grade)

List of courses offered by GBC used to satisfy the pedagogy requirement in early childhood education. Program participants will be required to pass each course with a grade of B- or better. Courses are aligned with the pedagogy requirements of NAC 391.089.

ECE	127	Role of Play Infant/Toddler	3
ECE	200	The Exceptional Child	3
ECE	204	Principles of Child Guidance	3
ECE	210	Observation, Documentation, & Assessment of Young Children	3
ECE	250	Introduction to Early Childhood Education.....	3
ECE	251	Curriculum in Early Childhood Education.....	3
ECE	262	Early Language and Literacy Development	3
HDFS	201	Life Span Development	3
HDFS	202	Introduction to Families	3
HDFS	232	Diversity in Children	3
EDEL	433	Methods for Teaching PK-8 Mathematics.....	3
EDEL	443	Methods for Teaching PK-8 Science	3
EDEL	453	Methods for Teaching PK-8 Social Studies.....	3
EDRL	471	Theory and Practice for Academic English Language Development	3
EDRL	474	Methods and Curriculum for Teaching English Language Learners	3
EDRL	475	Assessment and Evaluation of English Language Learners	3
EDRL	477	Policies, Critical Issues and Best Practices for ELLs-Practicum.....	3
		TOTAL	51

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Post-Baccalaureate Certificate

In addition to the ARL courses listed above, a post-baccalaureate candidate will complete the following:

EDEL	315	Elementary Methods Practicum III	2-3
ECE	493	Supervised Internship in ECE.....	12
		TOTAL	65-66

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Elementary Education

List of courses offered by GBC used to satisfy the pedagogy requirement in elementary education. Program participants will be required to pass each course with a grade of B- or better. Courses are aligned with the pedagogy requirements of NAC 391.095.

HDFS	201	Life Span Development	3
EDUC	323	Curriculum Design for Family Engagement.....	3
EDUC	470	Multicultural Education for a Diverse Society	3
EDSP	301	Education of the Exceptional Child.....	3
EDSP	453	Behavior Management and Social-Emotional Learning in the Classroom	3
EDSP	464	Intensification of Instruction through Multi-tiered Systems of Support	3
EDRL	442	Literacy Instruction I	3
EDRL	443	Literacy Instruction II	3
EDRL	437	Teaching Reading.....	3
EDEL	433	Methods for Teaching PK-8 Mathematics.....	3
EDEL	443	Methods for Teaching PK-8 Science.....	3
EDEL	453	Methods for Teaching PK-8 Social Studies.....	3
EDRL	471	Theory and Practice for Academic English Language Development	3
EDRL	474	Methods and Curriculum for Teaching English Language Learners	3
EDRL	475	Assessment and Evaluation of English Language Learners.....	3
EDRL	477	Policies, Critical Issues and Best Practices for ELLs, Practicum	3
		TOTAL	48

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Post-Baccalaureate Certificate

In addition to the ARL courses listed above, a post-baccalaureate candidate will complete the following:

EDEL	313	Elementary Methods Practicum II	1
EDEL	315	Elementary Methods Practicum III	3
EDSP	485	Special Education Practicum.....	1
EDEL	483	Elementary Supervised Teaching Internship	12
		TOTAL	65

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Secondary Education

List of courses offered by GBC used to satisfy the pedagogy requirement in secondary education. Program participants will be required to pass each course with a grade of B- or better. Courses are aligned with the pedagogy requirements of NAC 391.0575, (a) – (f).

EDUC	406	Curriculum and Assessment Education . . .	3
EDUC	323	Curriculum Design for Family Engagement.....	3
EDSP	301	Education of the Exceptional Child	3
EPY	330	Principles of Educational Psychology.....	3
EDRL	474	Methods and Curriculum for Teaching English Language Learners	3
EDRL	471	Theory and Practice for Academic English Language Development	3
EDRL	475	Assessment and Evaluation of English Language Learners	3
EDRL	477	Policies, Critical Issues and Best Practices for ELLs-Practicum.....	3
EDUC	470	Multicultural Education	3
Methods Course Requirement (one required)			3
EDSC	433	Teaching Secondary English	
EDSC	453	Teaching Secondary Mathematics	
EDSC	463	Teaching Secondary Science	
EDSC	473	Teaching Secondary Social Studies	
Methods for teaching art, music, or physical education will be developed as needed or taken from a partnering regionally accredited institution			
TOTAL			30

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Post-Baccalaureate Certificate

In addition to the ARL courses listed above, a post-baccalaureate candidate will complete the following:

EDSC	313	Secondary Methods Practicum II	1
EDSC	315	Secondary Methods Practicum III.....	2-3
EDSC	483	Secondary Supervised Teaching Internship	14
EDSC	491	Secondary Education Capstone Seminar	3
TOTAL			50-51

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Special Education

List of courses offered by GBC used to satisfy the pedagogy requirement in special education. Program participants will be required to pass each course with a grade of B- or better. Courses are aligned with the pedagogy requirements of NAC 391.343.

HDFS	201	Lifespan Human Development	3
EDSP	301	Education of the Exceptional Child	3
EPY	330	Principles of Educational Psychology	3
EDRL	437	Teaching Reading	3
EDEL	433	Methods for Teaching PK-8 Mathematics.....	3
EDSP	441	Characteristics and Inclusive Strategies for Students with Mild and Moderate Disabilities	3
EDSP	452	Assessment for Special Education Teachers.....	3
EDSP	453	Behavior Management and Social-Emotional Learning in the Classroom	3
EDSP	434	Community and Family Integration for the Transition of Individuals with Special Needs	3
EDSP	443	Special Education Curriculum: General Methods.....	3
EDSP	464	Intensification of Instruction through Multi-tiered Systems of Support	3
TOTAL			33

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Post-Baccalaureate Certificate

In addition to the ARL courses listed above, a Post-Baccalaureate candidate will complete the following:

EDEL	315	Elementary Methods Practicum III	1
EDSP	484	Special Education Practicum: Elementary Level	1
EDSP	485	Special Education Practicum: Secondary Level.....	1
EDSP	495	Student Teaching Internship in Special Education.....	12
TOTAL			48