

# Initial Teaching Certification

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# Process for Certification

- Current students cannot apply for initial certification until they have successfully completed all coursework and testing requirements
  - Bachelors Degree conferred and all required tests completed
- Students have three (3) calendar years post-graduation from their program to submit their initial certification materials to the University of Hartford Certification Officer

# University Process

- Call for Certification materials emailed to current students and posted on the Education blackboard
- Eligible students submit required materials to the State and Certification Officer prior to the deadline
- Certification Officer submits institutional recommendation to the State

**Certification Materials Required by Program**

<b>Integrated Elementary/Special Education (305/165)</b>	<b>Elementary Education (305)</b>	<b>Early Childhood Education (113)</b>	<b>Early Childhood Education (112)</b>	<b>Music Education (049)</b>	<b>Secondary English (015)</b>	<b>Secondary Math (029)</b>
University Certification Application	University Certification Application	University Certification Application	University Certification Application	University Certification Application	University Certification Application	University Certification Application
Praxis II: Elementary Education Multiple Subjects (5002-5005)	Praxis II: Elementary Education Multiple Subjects (5002-5005)	Pearson ECE Test (Connecticut Teacher Certification Examination)		Praxis II: Music: Content and Instruction (5114)	Praxis II: English Language Arts (5039)	Praxis II: Mathematics: Content and Knowledge (5161)
Praxis II: Special Education (5355)						
CT Foundations of Reading Test	CT Foundations of Reading Test	CT Foundations of Reading Test				

<b>Graduate Special Education (165)</b>	<b>Graduate Elementary Education (305)</b>	<b>Graduate Early Childhood Education (113)</b>	<b>Graduate Early Childhood Education (112)</b>	<b>Graduate School Psychology (070)</b>
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# Additional Documents Required

- Complete the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) online certification application
- Submit official transcripts directly to the State of Connecticut

# Deadline for Materials

All materials must be emailed to the Certification Officer by the deadline:

May Graduates: June 5<sup>th</sup> 2026

August Graduates: Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 2026

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