

PATHWAYS TO TEACHING @

MCLA



Initial Teacher Licensure Programs (Undergraduate & Graduate)

- Early Childhood PK-2
- Elementary 1-6
- Middle School Humanities 5-8
- Middle School Math/Science 5-8
- General Science 5-8
- Mathematics 5-8
- Mathematics 8-12
- English 5-12
- History 5-12
- Biology 8-12
- Chemistry 8-12
- Physics 8-12

Additional Graduate Level Initial Teacher Licensure Programs

- Moderate Disabilities PK-8
- Moderate Disabilities 5-12

Leadership Academy Licensure Programs

- Principal/Assistant Principal PK-8
- Principal/Assistant Principal 5-12
- Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent

All licensure candidates will complete a minimum of 96 hours of work in a classroom appropriate to the license prior to student teaching.

Student teaching is an immersive full-semester teaching experience working in a partner school with the support of an MCLA Program Supervisor and a school-based Supervising Practitioner.

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Massachusetts Teacher Licensure

License Name	Requirements	Timeline
Emergency License	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Have a Bachelor's degree 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Applications no longer open for this license. ● Maximum of two one-year extensions with demonstrated progress to obtain a license.
Provisional License (Optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Have a Bachelor's degree ● Passed all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator License (MTEL) tests. ● Some licenses may have additional requirements, such as relevant subject matter knowledge . ● Tip: The Provisional license could be an option for someone seeking a core academic teacher license that completed a prep program but does not hold the Sheltered English Immersion Endorsement (SEI). ● Please note not all Academic PreK-12 licenses can be obtained at the Provisional level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This license is valid for five years of employment (cannot be extended, must advance to initial).
Initial License	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Have a Bachelor's degree ● Have passed all required MTEL tests ● Hold the SEI endorsement (core academic teacher, principal/assistant principal, or supervisor/director only). ● Have completed an approved educator preparation program in Massachusetts, such as MCLA's Approved Initial Teacher Licensure Programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This license is valid for five years of employment (may be extended once, must be advanced to Professional).
Professional License	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Possess a MA Initial license in the same field as the Professional license sought ● Have been employed under the Initial License for at least three (3) years and have completed an induction and mentoring program. ● Completion of one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An approved licensure program for the Professional license sought as set forth in the Guidelines for Program Approval. ○ A program leading to eligibility for master teacher status, such as those sponsored by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and others accepted by the Commissioner. ○ Any master's or higher degree or other advanced graduate program in an accredited college or university, at least 12 credits of graduate level courses each of which includes subject matter knowledge or pedagogy based on the subject matter knowledge of the Professional license sought; these may include credits earned prior to application for the license. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This license is valid for five calendar years (renewable every five years thereafter).

For More Information:

- **Specific Licensure Requirements** for each license category, type, and grade level can be found in the [Licensure Requirements Tool](#).
- **The Licensure Call Center Help Line:** 781-338-6600
 - Open weekdays 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm
 - Call Center Agents service this Licensure Help Line and can assist you with general questions about the licensure process.
- More Information: <https://www.doe.mass.edu/edeffectiveness/>
- More information on MTELS: <https://www.doe.mass.edu/mtel/>

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