

Teacher Preparation Certificate

Degree Type

Certificate

Program

Christian Education

For the Teacher Preparation Certificate (TPC), students prepare for state licensure to teach in public schools through the *American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE)* <https://www.americanboard.org/> ABCTE offers an online, independent study program that prepares students to become a licensed teacher. ABCTE is a state-approved route to full teacher certification in Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Idaho, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, and Wisconsin.

Enrollment Options

- Concurrent certificate with bachelor's degree: Students may complete ABCTE during their senior year and add a Teacher Preparation Certificate to the BA, BS, or BRS degree.
- Dual-enrollment: students may complete the requirements for the BRS degree and enroll at another college to complete the requirements for state licensure.

Career Options

A minimum CGPA and completion of the ABCTE program are required to apply for state licensure. The requirements and approved certifications for each state are listed online at [americanboard.org](https://www.americanboard.org).

- Elementary school teacher
- Secondary school teacher

Requirements

- Minimum CGPA of 2.50
- Senior status

Curriculum

- 60 contact hours working with children in licensed K–12 school
- 18 credits of courses below

Courses

Item #	Title	Credits
PED 275	Foundations of Christian Education	3
PED 390	ABCTE Professional Teaching Knowledge	6
PED 391	ABCTE Content Preparation	6
	General Studies Elective in Content Area	3
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