

Maryland's Out-of-State or Out-of-Country Teaching Certification Options

3+ Years Professional Experience Out-of-State Applicant

- Valid (current) professional certificate
- Verification of 3 years satisfactory school-related experience within the past 7 years, in the certification area at the appropriate level for which there is a like or comparable MD certification

Out-of-Country Applicant

- Valid (current) professional certification from a country other than the United States
- Verification of 3 years satisfactory school-related experience within the past 7 years, in the certification area at the appropriate level for which there is a like or comparable MD certification
- Demonstrate proficiency in both spoken and written English

2 Years Professional Experience

Out-of-State Applicant

- Valid (current) professional certificate or expired professional certificate
- Verification of completing an approved out-of-state teacher preparation program
- Verification of 2 years satisfactory full time-teaching experience in the certification area at the appropriate level (exempts individual from taking MD Praxis tests)

Fewer than 2 Years Professional Experience

Out-of-State Applicant

- Valid (current) professional certificate
- Verification of completing an approved teacher preparation program
- Verification of a qualifying score on a valid out-of-state certification test

Teacher Incentives

Tuition Tax Credits

All Maryland teachers are eligible for an annual \$1,500 tuition tax credit designed to offset graduate tuition expenses necessary to maintain teaching certification.

National Board Certification

A stipend of up to \$2,000 a year is available as a dollar-for-dollar match to local school systems for teachers who earn certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS).

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