

TRANSITION TO TEACHING

The T2T program is designed to fill teaching vacancies in school districts through an alternate route to teacher licensure. It includes the recruitment and training of professionals seeking a chance to enter the teaching profession. The T2T program uses the restricted license and has developed an online professional education curriculum meeting all of the Kansas Professional Education Standards. FHSU's education programs are fully accredited by CAEP and the Kansas State Department of Education.

MASTER'S IN EDUCATION

A Master of Science in Education can be obtained by applying 24 hours from the T2T program toward the degree. An additional 12 hours of online core courses are required.

AVAILABLE PROGRAMS

Fort Hays State University provides T2T licensure programs in the following areas:

- Agriculture
- Art
- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Earth and Space Science
- English
- English, History, Math and Science in grades 5-8
- Family and Consumer Science
- German
- History
- Journalism
- Math
- Music
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Psychology
- Spanish
- Speech/Theatre
- Technology Education

Graduate Degree in content area and 3 years professional experience required:

- School Counseling
- Library Media

Elementary Education, Early Childhood Unified and Special Education are not eligible areas for the T2T program. However, they are available online from FHSU.



TO BEGIN

Contact Kerry Schuckman, 785-628-4542, kschuckm@fhsu.edu, or Dottie Staab, 785-628-5498, dmstaab@fhsu.edu. Submit copies of transcripts and an analysis will be completed to determine if you qualify for the program. If course deficiencies exist, you will be given an analysis that details the courses you need to complete.

If qualified, you must locate a teaching position within your content area. You may contact local school districts directly, attend the FHSU virtual Teacher Career Fair in the spring or go to www.kansasteachingjobs.com.

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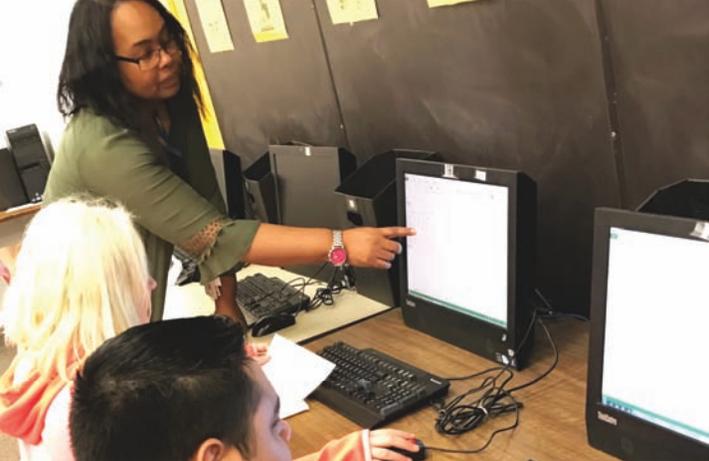
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THE ALTERNATIVE ROUTE TO
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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Have an undergraduate or graduate degree or equivalent coursework in the content area from a regionally accredited institution for which the restricted license is sought.
- Have at least a 2.75 grade point average on the last 60 hours of coursework.
- Have an offer for employment from a state accredited public or private Kansas school in the content area for which the restricted license is sought.
- Obtain passing score on a subject area assessment (content) test before a license will be issued. Tests are valid for up to 6 years after the beginning date of a new test as long as the old test was taken and passed prior to the beginning date of the new test.
- Complete a supervised practical training experience. (Substitute Teaching, para work, coaching, etc. can count.)
- Heritage language speakers qualify to teach their native language.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The application process is a collaborative effort among the applicant, a school district and FHSU.

Once hired, the applicant must complete Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) Form 9 Application for Restricted Teaching License, and submit fingerprint card and fee.

To determine eligibility, the applicant must submit to the FHSU Licensure Office:

- Copies of all transcripts
- Indication of desired subject area to teach based on coursework completed.

Admission to FHSU Graduate School:

- Once eligible for program and a teaching contract is secured apply at: <http://www.fhsu.edu/academic/gradschl/apply>
- If degree seeking, submit all official transcripts. If non-degree seeking, submit a copy of bachelor's degree transcript.
- 2.5 GPA on last 60 hours of undergraduate credit required for graduate school.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Make appropriate progress each year toward completion of the Plan of Study.
- Earn a grade of "C" or better in each course. KSDE requires maintaining a 3.00 GPA while in the program.
- Obtain passing score on a pedagogy test, Principles of Learning and Teaching, by the end of the program for licensure.
- Obtain passing score on Kansas Performance Teaching Portfolio for licensure. This requirement is completed during the last year of the program.
- Complete the program in two years.
- 24 graduate hours - **all offered online except 4-day Induction class.**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What if I have a few course deficiencies of meeting FHSU's content area program?

All content coursework must be met prior to qualifying for the program.

What is the tuition I will pay?

FHSU's tuition continues to be one of the lowest in the mid-states region. The courses are taken at the graduate level. Visit http://www.fhsu.edu/sfs/students_parents/tuition/ for current tuition rates.

When can I start the program?

The program is geared toward candidates who are hired to begin teaching jobs in August. You will be required to attend an on-campus Induction course during the summer prior to the beginning of the school year. Accommodations can be made for those hired to begin teaching in January.

Will I be required to attend classes in Hays?

The greatest benefit of this program is that all courses are online except for the four-day Induction class in Hays prior to starting your first year.

What type of teaching license will I have?

You will have a Restricted Teaching License while in the program. Once you complete the program and meet KSDE licensure requirements, you will be eligible to apply for a Professional Teaching License.

Can I enter the program if I am working as a para or substitute teacher?

KSDE requires teachers to be employed under contract in an appropriate assignment.

May I begin taking the courses before I have a job?

The Fall/Spring courses are designed to be completed while employed as a teacher. Assignments require reflections related to your classroom.

Will a school district hire me without having a teaching license?

Most districts are aware that this is an alternative licensure program and getting a license is contingent upon being hired. A letter of acceptance will be provided to you to share with potential employers.

Summer T2T Induction Class

