Professional Development Certification Program



Beacon Educator partners with local school districts to provide asynchronous online courses for new teachers who do not meet the educational requirements for a Professional Teaching Certificate.

Formerly known as Alternative Certification Program

The Professional Development Certification participants take prescribed online courses and complete other district and state requirements that allow them to obtain a Florida Professional Teaching Certificate. The online courses help these new educators become competent in the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices.

Program Online Courses & Module

Designing Standards-based Plans Educational Technology	20 30
Educational Technology	30
ESOL (District-selected course)	60
Foundations of Assessment	10
Implementing Instructional Practices	30
Learning: Theory to Practice	30
Proactive Classroom Management	20
Professional Practices for Educators	5
Reading 1: Foundations of Instruction R+	60
Reading 2: Evidence-Based Practices R+	60
Student Advocacy & Legal Issues	20
SWD: ESE for All Educators (SB 1108) - Module	20
Grades PreK-6 / Middles Grades English 5-9 / English 9-12 / Reading K-12	
Reading 3: Assessment	60
Reading 4: Differentiated Instruction R+	60
Reading 5: Demonstration of Accomplishment R+	60

This program may be customized to fit district needs.

Each online course provided by Beacon Educator offers support for knowledge acquisition and skill application. Beacon also provides tools and resources for program coordinators.

All online courses are based on tested design principles for adult learning and online instruction. Beacon courses comply with Learning Forward's Standards for Professional Learning and FLDOE Professional Development Protocol Standards.





