

**TITLE: Consideration of Reinstating the Field of Computer Science**

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The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board reinstates the field of Computer Science at the K-6, 6-12 and K-12 levels, based on the need for the field by the Hawaii Department of Education.

- Individuals may qualify for this field using any of the methods approved by HTSB for the Provisional, Standard, and Advanced Licenses.
- The Educational Testing Service (ETS) Praxis test in Computer Science may be used to add the field or for content knowledge validation, with the following passing score:
  - Praxis Computer Science, Test 5652
  - Passing Score: 149
  - This passing score was identified in a multistate standard-setting study composed of panelists from seventeen states, to be appropriate to assess the computer science knowledge and competencies necessary for a beginning teacher of computer science.
- Individuals may qualify for the Limited Standard License in Computer Science by meeting the following requirements:
  - Minimum of an Associate degree;
  - A minimum of 3 years of industry experience directly related to content area;
  - 15 hours of pedagogy coursework from SATEP in the grade level of the license
    - or
  - 12 hours of pedagogy coursework from a SATEP in the grade level of the license and passing score on the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) in the grade level of the license;
  - Meet one of the following content knowledge testing options:
    - Praxis in content field, if one exists; or
    - Current valid National Industry Certification in content area; or
    - Current valid industry license in content area;
    - 30 hours coursework in the license field;
  - Meet Professional Fitness Requirement;

- Meet basic skills requirement;
  - Pay fees.
  - Licensees obtaining a Computer Science license via this alternative route shall not be eligible to teach in other classroom assignments nor be eligible to add any other field to this license.
- Individuals who previously held an HTSB Computer Science license may have the field reinstated on their license by submitting the application to add the field of Computer Science in the same license level as their previous license.

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