

**New Business Item 21-13 Rev**  
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**TITLE: The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board Plan to Accept Out-Of-State Completers in Accordance with Hawaii Revised Statutes**

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In the interest of ensuring quality teachers in Hawaii's P-12 schools, and in accordance with Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board (HTSB) approves this NBI as HTSB's Plan to satisfy HRS §302A-802(2).

***(2) Develop a plan to accept teachers from any state as long as they have completed state-approved teacher education programs and pass relevant Hawaii teacher examinations or their equivalent.***

Below outlines HTSB's plan and requirements for any individual seeking an initial Provisional license in Hawaii who has completed an out-of-state educator preparation program and has not acquired a full license or certificate from a U.S. state, District of Columbia, or U.S. territory.

Effective immediately, HTSB requires that all completers of an educator preparation program which is approved in a state other than Hawaii, who seek licensure in Hawaii, submit the following documentation for review:

- Official transcripts of a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution or the equivalent from a non-U.S. institution;
  - A course-by-course evaluation from a member of the National Association for Credential Evaluation Services ([www.naces.org](http://www.naces.org)) must be submitted for transcripts issued by a non-U.S. institution.
- Official transcripts of satisfactory completion of a state-approved teacher, librarian, or counselor educator preparation program
- Official passing scores for the following HTSB approved licensure tests:
  - Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics;
  - Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) for recommended grade level(s); and
  - Praxis content test(s)
    - Candidates who are seeking licensure in a World Language may submit HTSB passing score(s) from the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL).
- Professional fitness clearance from HTSB; and
- A valid Government-issued ID as prescribed by HTSB policy

A Standard license may be issued if the applicant satisfies teaching experience requirements set forth in the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), in addition to fulfilling the foregoing requirements for an initial Provisional license.

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