

REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIAL TEACHING LICENSE

- * Bachelor's degree
- * Completion of teacher education program
- * Successful completion of an endorsement content assessment
- * Successful completion of a teaching portfolio (PPAT)
- * 8 semester credit hours of recent credit
- * Successful completion of fingerprint background check

RENEWAL OF INITIAL TEACHING LICENSE

UPGRADE TO PROFESSIONAL TEACHING LICENSE

Within 5 years of the date the initial license was first issued, may apply for renewal of the initial license by submitting an application for renewal.

Does not apply for renewal within 5 years of the date the initial license was first issued, may renew by meeting initial requirements above, but assessments shall not have been taken more than 1 year before the date of application for initial license or may verify either 8 hours of recent credit or one year of recent experience or 120 PDC points.

* Verification of successful completion of an approved teaching performance assessment (2 years of mentoring) while employed in an accredited school. Work with employer to complete.
* At least one year of recent accredited experience or at least 8 semester hours of recent credit.

Does not complete teaching performance assessment during 4 years of accredited experience, must:
* complete minimum of 12 semester hours with 2.50+ GPA earned through FHSU and addressing deficiencies related to the performance assessment; AND
* complete an unpaid internship of at least 12 weeks

RECOMMENDATION: Apply for Initial Teaching License when eligible. If don't meet requirements to upgrade to professional license, don't renew the license until you do.