

## **R7-2-614(E) Teaching Intern Certificate – PreK-12**

1. Except as noted, the teaching intern certificate is subject to the general certification provisions in R7-2-607.
2. The certificate is valid for one year from the date of initial issuance and may be extended yearly for no more than two consecutive years at no cost to the applicant if the provisions in subsection (E)(6) are met.
3. The teaching intern certificate entitles the holder to enter into a teaching contract while completing the requirements for an Arizona ~~provisional~~ teaching certificate. During the valid period of the intern certificate the holder may teach in a Structured English Immersion classroom, or in any subject area in which the holder has passed the appropriate Arizona Teacher Proficiency Assessment. Teaching Intern certificate holders who teach in a Structured English Immersion classroom shall hold a valid Provisional or full Structured English Immersion Endorsement, an English as a Second Language Endorsement, or a Bilingual Endorsement. The candidate shall be enrolled in a Board authorized alternative path to certification program or a Board approved teacher educator preparation program.
4. An individual is not eligible to hold the teaching intern certificate more than once in a five year period.
5. The requirements for initial issuance of the teaching intern certificate are:
  - a. A bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited institution;
  - b. A passing score on one or more subject knowledge portions of the Arizona Teacher Proficiency Assessment that corresponds to the ~~applicant's teaching assignment(s)~~ Board approved alternative path to certification program, or Board approved educator preparation program, in which the applicant is enrolled;
  - c. ~~Completion of the requirements for a Provisional Structured English Immersion endorsement, as prescribed in R7-2-613(J);~~
  - d. c. Verification of enrollment in a Board approved alternative path to certification program, or a Board approved teacher educator preparation program; and
  - e. d. A valid fingerprint clearance card issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety.
6. The requirements for the extension of the intern teaching certificate are:
  - a. The teaching intern certificate outlined in subsection (E)(5),
  - b. Official transcripts documenting the completion of required coursework, and
  - c. A valid fingerprint clearance card issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety.
  - d. ~~Completion of the requirements for a Provisional or full Structured English Immersion endorsement.~~
7. The holder of the teaching intern certificate may apply for an Arizona ~~Provisional~~ Teaching Certificate upon completion of the following:

- a. Successful completion of a Board authorized alternative path to certification program or a Board approved teacher educator preparation program. This shall include satisfactory completion of a field experience or capstone experience of no less than one full academic year. The field experience or capstone experience shall include performance evaluations in a manner that is consistent with policies for the applicable alternative professional preparation program, as described pursuant to R7-2-604.04(B)(5),
- b. A passing score on the required professional knowledge portion of the Arizona Teacher Proficiency Assessment;
- c. The submission of an application for the ~~provisional~~ teaching certificate to the Department, and
- d. A valid fingerprint clearance card issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety.
- e. ~~Completion of the requirements for a full Structured English Immersion endorsement.~~

8. Placement decisions of teaching intern certificate holders shall only be based on agreements between the educator preparation provider, the provider's partner organizations and the local education agency except as otherwise provided in R7-2-614(E).