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Official Statement of Status of Eligibility

**When do I use the EPI program?**

First Things First...

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For Florida educator certification purposes, college degrees and credits must be earned at institutions that are either accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or approved by the Florida Department of Education. College level credits recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE) are also acceptable.

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Temporary Certificate: For issuance of a three-year non-renewable Temporary Certificate covering English for Speakers of Other Languages (Grades K-12), the following requirements must be completed, and official documentation must be submitted to the Bureau of Educator Certification:

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Temporary Certificate: For issuance of a three-year non-renewable Temporary Certificate covering Computer Science (Grades K-12), the following requirements must be completed, and official documentation must be submitted to the Bureau of Educator Certification:
Those who have received a Statement of Eligibility indicating that "You are not eligible" must fulfill the requirements listed on the Statement of Eligibility and obtain a valid and current SOE before admission into the EPI program. An example of where to locate these requirements is below.

What does it mean if I am "Not Eligible"?

Any completed documentation of the requirements must be sent to the FLDOE for a reevaluation of your application. If you are looking for testing in your area to help fulfill these requirements, please visit this link: [http://www.fl.nesinc.com/](http://www.fl.nesinc.com/).

What are the next steps if I am "Eligible"?

For those that hold a valid and current Statement of Eligibility indicating "You are eligible", the next step is to complete a Professional Education Competence Program (PEC) mandated by the state of Florida.

The EPI Program fulfills the bullets on your Statement of Eligibility that read:
“Completion of a Florida approved Professional Education Competence Program…”
And
“Completion of the following Professional Preparation Coursework Requirements:

- A minimum of 15 semester hours in education courses…”

For information on how to begin enrolling in the EPI program, please visit:

All documents may be submitted via email to: ecostello1@valenciacollege.edu or adorsay6@valenciacollege.edu