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Tests Required for New York State Teaching Certification

Candidates Seeking Initial Certification:

The New York State Teacher Certification Examination Series (NYSTCE) must be completed and includes the Liberal Arts and Sciences Test (LAST), the Assessment of Teaching Skills-Written (ATS-W) and the Content Specialty Test (CST).

- If you are seeking **Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)** and/or **Early Childhood Education (Birth to Grade 2),** you must take the LAST, ATS-W (*elementary* version) and Multi-Subject CST (Early Childhood, Childhood & Middle Childhood).

- If you are seeking **Childhood Education with Special Education (Grades 1-6),** you must take the LAST, ATS-W (*elementary* version), and two Content Specialty Tests -- Students with Disabilities CST as well as the Multi-Subject CST.

- If you are seeking **Adolescent Education (Grades 7-12),** you must take the LAST, ATS-W (*secondary* version) and a CST in your subject area:

English Language Arts	Mathematics	Social Studies
Biology	Chemistry	Earth Science
Physics	French	Spanish

- If you are seeking **Speech and Language Disabilities (Grades N-12),** you must take the LAST and ATS-W (*elementary version*, recommended by the Department of Communicative Disorders and Sciences).

Candidates Seeking Professional Certification:

Additional exams will be required if you are pursuing a different certification area than you pursued as an undergraduate. Go to http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/certprocess.html to determine any additional testing requirements.

Candidates for professional certification in Speech and Language Disabilities will need to successfully pass the PRAXIS Speech/Language Pathology exam. Registration information is available online at http://www.ets.org/praxis/ny/requirements.

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Registration Schedule for 2012-2013

The New York State Teacher Certification Examination Bulletins with registration information, additional deadlines and a list of test sites can be found online at http://www.nystce.nesinc.com.

Test Date (Saturday)	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
September 22, 2012	August 17, 2012	August 31, 2012
November 10, 2012	October 5, 2012	October 19, 2012
February 16, 2013	January 11, 2013	January 25, 2013
April 20, 2013	March 15, 2013	March 29, 2013
June 8, 2013	May 3, 2013	May 17, 2013
July 20, 2013	June 14, 2013	June 28, 2013

Additional Information:

- Most candidates complete the LAST after their sophomore year, the ATS-W after completing all education coursework and the CST after completing most of the coursework in their major.
- NYSTCE scores are automatically sent to the New York State Department of Education.
- Preparation guides for each test in the NYSTCE program can be viewed or downloaded at no charge at http://www.nystce.nesinc.com/.
- Registration is only available online at http://www.nystce.nesinc.com/.
- For additional information on NYS certification standards, check: http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/

NEW:

Several NYSTCE tests are now also offered through computer based testing at regional test centers on a scheduled appointment basis. The tests are administered via computer and additional registration fees apply. For more information, visit the NYSTCE web site and under "Quick Links" click on "Is Computer-Based Testing Right for Me?"

Candidates applying for certification on or after May 1, 2014 will fall under new testing requirements. For more information, go to http://www.nystce.nesinc.com/NY_annProgramUpdate.asp.

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