

# FIVE-YEAR TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM (B.A./ B.S. AND M.S.T.)

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## Requirements

### New York State Certification Requirements

Students who meet all program requirements, complete the course of study, and meet established field experience competencies are eligible to receive Fordham University's endorsement for New York state initial certification in their program area provided they also have:

- earned a passing score on the relevant New York state teacher examinations; and
- completed workshops in child abuse identification, Dignity for All Students Act (DASA), schools against violence education, drug and alcohol abuse, and health and physical education.

### Undergraduate Core and Content Requirements

Teacher preparation for state certification includes requirements for general education and pedagogical core courses, as well as specific content courses related to the grade(s) and subjects the candidate will teach. The requirements differ across certification areas and are complex. They affect the choices that are made to meet the undergraduate core curriculum distribution, as well as selections and scheduling of courses within the major. For example, to meet state certification requirements in the general education core, teacher education candidates need the following liberal arts and science requirements: artistic expression, communication, or written analysis and expression; concepts in history and social sciences; a language other than English; scientific and mathematical processes; and literature. These core/content requirements do not replace Fordham's requirements.

Students must also meet the admissions prerequisites for their chosen master's program. For example, students pursuing adolescence education must have the required 30 credits in specific content areas. More information about the requirements for each certification and major can be obtained from the coordinator of the Five-Year Integrated Track at [amoliterno@fordham.edu](mailto:amoliterno@fordham.edu). It is students' responsibility to meet with their advisers and to ensure they are meeting Fordham undergraduate, GSE, and New York State admissions and completion requirements for their program of choice.

To meet all requirements for the baccalaureate degree and a master's degree, candidates work closely with their Fordham undergraduate advisers and the GSE adviser.