

Arizona Teachers of Tomorrow: Alternative Certification How-to Guide

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## **Every Child Deserves a Great Teacher**

At Teachers of Tomorrow, we believe every child deserves a great teacher. Becoming a teacher isn't just a career choice; it's a calling, a commitment, and a chance to shape the future.

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# When you embark on the rewarding teaching journey, you will:

Make a difference - You have the power to ignite a lifelong love for learning. Your guidance will shape young minds, inspire change, and encourage them to explore and dream big.

**Enjoy daily variety** - You'll teach different topics, lessons, and students. No two days are ever the same for educators.

**Great work schedule** - You enjoy a predictable daily routine, weekends and holidays off, and extended summer breaks. You can engage in other personal activities and relax.

Use your creative side - You're allowed to incorporate fun in lesson planning and classroom activities to help your students grasp various concepts.

**Build relationships** - Teaching is a highly social job. You'll get to build lifelong bonds with your students, colleagues, parents, and support staff.

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## Why Teachers of Tomorrow for Your Alternative Certification Program

Choosing the right path to teaching is vital for your success in the classroom. Select a program that aligns with your study style and schedule and realize your dreams faster.

## Here's why we stand out:



#### The #1 Alternative Certification Program (ACP)

Our Alternative Certification Program stands out as the #1 choice.

For over 18 years, our comprehensive program has equipped aspiring educators for classroom excellence. We give you the right skills to make a difference in the lives of your students.

Become one of the countless successful teachers who have launched their careers through our alternative certification program.



#### **Over 80,000 Teachers Certified**

Over 80,000 teachers have been certified through our program. Our track record demonstrates years of positive impact in classrooms in Arizona by our certified teachers.

By choosing Teachers of Tomorrow, you join a supportive community of educators who have made a real difference in the lives of countless students.



#### **Accredited by AAQEP**

We are accredited by the <u>Accreditation Association</u> for <u>Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation</u> (AAQEP). Our programs are verified and meet quality assurance benchmarks for educator preparation.

With Teachers of Tomorrow, you're assured that your teacher certification will be recognized and respected nationwide.



#### **Trusted School District Partner**

Accredited school districts across Arizona trust us to provide well-prepared educators. Once you're ready to begin in the classroom, we assist with the job application process.

Our district partnership ensure you are well supported throughout your first year of teaching and beyond.





## How it Works - Timeline

We've designed the Teachers of Tomorrow ACP to be an efficient process that enables you to achieve your dream of becoming a certified teacher.

## Here's our step-by-step breakdown.

#### 1. Apply Today

- Complete a **FREE** application
- Submit your official transcripts
- Enroll in the Arizona Teachers of Tomorrow program.

#### 2. Become Eligible

- Complete online, on-demand Classroom Readiness training
- Complete classroom observation online and in-person
- IVP Card
- Secure employment as Teacher of Record in approved content area

#### 3. Start Teaching

- Teach for one academic year with full pay and benefits
- Receive classroom support from your assigned field supervisor
- Complete Structure English Immersion (SEI) Coursework
- Complete additional required coursework
- Pass state-certification exam(s)
- Obtain positive principal recommendation

#### 4. Fully Certified

Earn full certification after completing all program requirements.

We'll be here to guide you through each of these steps.





## **Our Program**

The Teachers of Tomorrow Alternative Certification Program gives you a wellrounded and supportive experience. We empower you with the skills and resources to have a flourishing career in education.

## Here's what to expect from the Teachers of Tomorrow program:



Access to a research-based and comprehensive educator preparation curriculum designed to impart essential teaching skills, pedagogy, and classroom management techniques.



Support in preparing for required exams to meet certification standards.



Guidance and support from experienced mentors and coaches throughout the program.



Potential for program fee coverage through district partnerships and scholarships.



Flexible program structure to accommodate individuals with diverse schedules or work commitments.



Opportunities for networking, professional development, and exposure to district-specific resources.



Options for accelerated paths to certification, allowing for a faster transition into the classroom.



Ongoing career support services, including resume building, interview preparation, and exclusive job fairs and district hiring events.



Real-world classroom exposure to build confidence and readiness for the teaching profession.



Inclusion in an alumni community of educators, providing networking opportunities and exchanging ideas.



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## Teachers of Tomorrow vs The Traditional Pathway



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## Pricing

# Application fee

Enrollment fee
\$115

per month for three months

Once you pay the enrollment fee, you get access to all the training, study guides, and job-finding resources.

Program fee \$4,200

payable When you start teaching or \$420/month for 10 months Total Program Cost \$4,499

Note: There are other certification and exam payments not made directly to Teachers of Tor

\$299

a one-time

payment





## Trusted Support Through Your Teaching Journey



In addition to our alternative certification program, we've partnered with SimpleK12, committed to helping you succeed as an educator.

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#### Simplek12

SimpleK12 is your go-to platform for continuous learning and growth in your teaching career. They offer various online training and professional development courses designed to empower educators.

As a Teachers of Tomorrow candidate or certified teacher, you can access SimpleK12's webinars and training materials library to stay up-to-date with the latest teaching trends, technologies, and best practices.

Together with Teachers of Tomorrow, SimpleK12 is dedicated to supporting you in your journey to become an exceptional educator and throughout your teaching career.

## Helping You Find Your Next Job

In partnership with school districts across Arizona, we're here to make that transition smoother for you. We'll help set you up for success as a first-year teacher by helping you find a job while you complete the program.

We'll help with resume creation, job applications, and interview preparation.



## **Frequently Asked Questions**



# Do I Need A Bachelor's Degree to Apply for the Teachers of Tomorrow program?

YES. To be eligible for the alternative certification program in Arizona, you must have a four-year bachelor's degree with a 2.0 GPA.

The bachelor's degree doesn't have to be in education —it can be in any major.

#### How Long Does it Take to Complete the ACP?

The program is designed to be flexible, allowing you to work at your own pace.

How long does it take to complete the course work to begin teaching? **As little as three months.** 

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**Remember**, you can start teaching and earning full pay and benefits after completing your coursework, before your full certification.

#### Does Teachers of Tomorrow Take Any Financial Aid?

Teachers of Tomorrow is not eligible for any federal financial aid programs. However, We offer <u>scholarships</u> for those who're not already enrolled in the program.

We also have flexible payments to ease the financial burden for our candidates.

## Does Teachers of Tomorrow Any Assistance to Military Workers?

YES. Teachers of Tomorrow supports military personnel, and veterans in pursuing a teaching career.

We offer reduced program costs of up to \$100 and self-paced training options to aid in a smooth transition to the teaching profession.

#### Does Teachers of Tomorrow Offer Job-Seeking Assistance?

Teachers of Tomorrow works closely with accredited school districts across the country to get our educators in the classroom.

After becoming eligible, our team will guide you through the application and interview process.

You can select from available teaching positions within school districts in Arizona, and our support team will assist you in securing a position that aligns with your preferences and qualifications.

We're here to ensure a smooth transition into your teaching career, from certification to employment.



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## ARIZONA TEACHERS — of Tomorrow—

## Keeping our mission

At Teachers of Tomorrow, we are dedicated to developing outstanding educators who have a profound, positive impact on their schools and communities. Founded in 2005, we've become the nation's top alternative certification program.

We are proud of our strong collaborations with aspiring educators, supporting them through every step of their teaching careers. Our strong district partnerships allow us to connect our certified educators with schools in need of teachers to ensure every student has access to a quality education. In today's educational landscape, your classroom presence is crucial.

Together, we are shaping the future of education.

