Maryland Approved Program Directory: Alternative Preparation
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For information on Maryland Approved Programs: Alternative Preparation, contact the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), Division of Educator Certification and Program Approval, Program Approval and Assessment Branch at pamela.darien@maryland.gov. For information about a specific program, or to seek guidance on entering a program, contact the local program contact listed in the directory.

All programs listed in this directory meet the content and pedagogy requirements necessary for State Program Approval. Programs undergo standards-based State Program Approval Peer Review on a five-year cycle.

For information on policies and procedures concerning Alternative Preparation, visit the MSDE Website, Division of Educator Certification and Program Approval, Teacher Preparation and Program Approval.
Anne Arundel County

Title of Program: AACC/AACPS Secondary RTC Program
This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2013.

Partners:
Anne Arundel Community College
Anne Arundel County Public Schools

Certification Areas:
- Biology (grades 7-12)
- Chemistry (grades 7-12)
- Computer Science (grades 7-12)
- English (grades 7-12)
- Family and Consumer Sciences (grades 7-12)
- Mathematics (grades 7-12)
- Middle School: English Language Arts (grades 4-9)
- Middle School: Mathematics (grades 4-9)
- Middle School: Science (grades 4-9)
- Physics (grades 7-12)
- Social Studies (grades 7-12)
- Technology Education (grades 7-12)
- World Languages (PreK-12)

Anne Arundel County Public Schools Alternative Teacher Certification Website

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Title of Program:
The Resident Teacher Certificate (RTC) Program Special Education and Elementary or Secondary Education
This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2011.

Partners:
Notre Dame of Maryland University
Anne Arundel County Public Schools

Certification Areas:
Completion of this program will result in dual certification in special education and either elementary education or a secondary content area.

- Biology (grades 7-12)
- Chemistry (grades 7-12)
- Earth/Space Science (grades 7-12)
- Elementary Education (grades 1-6)
- English (grades 7-12)
- Geography (grades 7-12)
- History (grades 7-12)
- Mathematics (grades 7-12)
- Physics (grades 7-12)
- Physical Science (grades 7-12)
- Social Studies (grades 7-12)
- Special Education: Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)
- Special Education: Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)

Anne Arundel County Public Schools Resident Teacher Certificate Program Website

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Baltimore City

Title of Program: Bard-City Schools MAAPP (Bard)
This program earned State Program Approval in 2016.

Partners:
Baltimore City Public School System
Bard College

Certification Areas:
- Art (PreK-12)
- Biology (grades 7-12)
- Chemistry (grades 7-12)
- Chinese: World Language (PreK-12)
- Dance (PreK-12)
- English (grades 7-12)
- Mathematics (grades 7-12)
- Music (PreK-12)
- Physics (grades 7-12)
- Social Studies (grades 7-12)
- Spanish: World Language (PreK-12)
- Theater (grades 7-12)

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**Baltimore City**

**Title of Program:** Baltimore City Teaching Residency (BCTR)
This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2015.

**Partners:**
Baltimore City Public School System
The New Teacher Project

**Certification Areas:**
- Biology (grades 7-12)
- Chemistry (grades 7-12)
- Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)
- Elementary Education (grades 1-6)
- English (grades 7-12)

[**Baltimore City Teaching Residency Website**](#)

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Baltimore City

Title of Program: Teach For America
This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2016.

Partners
Baltimore City Public School System
Teach For America
Johns Hopkins University

Certification Areas:
- Biology (grades 7-12)
- Chemistry (grades 7-12)
- Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)
- Elementary Education (grades 1-6)
- English (grades 7-12)
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (PreK-12)
- Mathematics (grades 7-12)
- Middle School Mathematics (grades 4-9)
- Middle School Mathematics (grades 4-9)
- Physics (grades 7-12)
- Social Studies (grades 7-12)
- Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)
- Special Education Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)
- World Languages (PreK-12)

Teach For America-Baltimore Website

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Title of Program: Urban Teachers
This program received continued State Program Approval in 2015.

Partners
Baltimore City Public School System
Johns Hopkins University

Certification Areas:
- Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)
- Elementary Education (grades 1-6)
- English (grades 7-12)
- Mathematics (grades 7-12)
- Middle School: English Language Arts (grades 4-9)
- Middle School: Mathematics (grades 4-9)
- Special Education Infant/Primary (birth-grade 3)
- Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)
- Special Education Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)

Urban Teachers Website

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Title of Program: Alternative Teacher Preparation Program in World Languages Education
This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2009.

Partners
Goucher College
Baltimore County Public Schools

Certification Areas:
- Biology (grades 7-12)
- Chemistry (grades 7-12)
- Chinese: World Languages (PreK-12)
- French: World Languages (PreK-12)
- German: World Languages (PreK-12)
- Italian: World Languages (PreK-12)
- Japanese: World Languages (PreK-12)
- Latin: World Languages (PreK-12)
- Mathematics (grades 7-12)
- Middle School: Mathematics (grades 4-9)
- Middle School: Science (grades 4-9)
- Physics (grades 7-12)
- Spanish: World Languages (PreK-12)
- Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)
- Special Education Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)

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Montgomery County

**Title of Program:** MC/MCPS Alternative Certification for Effective Teachers (ACET)
This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2015.

**Partners:**
Montgomery College
Montgomery County Public Schools

**Certification Areas:**
- Biology (grades 7-12)
- Chemistry (grades 7-12)
- Computer Science (grades 7-12)
- English (grades 7-12)
- Mathematics (grades 7-12)
- Middle School Mathematics (grades 4 - 9)
- Middle School Science (grades 4 - 9)
- Physics (grades 7-12)
- Technology Education (grades 7-12)
- World Languages (PreK-12) *(French and Spanish only)*

**ACET Website**

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**Prince George’s County**

**Title of Program:**
The Resident Teacher Certificate (RTC) for Special Education and Elementary/Secondary Education

This program received continued State Program Approval in 2013.

**Partners:**
Notre Dame of Maryland University
Prince George’s County Public Schools

**Certification Areas:**
Completion of this program will result in dual certification in special education and either elementary education or a secondary content area.

- Biology (grades 7-12)
- Chemistry (grades 7-12)
- Earth/Space Science (grades 7-12)
- Elementary Education (1-6)
- English (grades 7-12)
- History (grades 7-12)
- Mathematics (grades 7-12)
- Physics (grades 7-12)
- Social Studies (grades 7-12)
- Special Education: Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)
- Special Education: Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)

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Prince George’s County

**Title of Program:** Teach For America-D.C. Region

**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2017.**

**Partners:**
Prince George’s County Public Schools
Teach For America
Johns Hopkins University

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**Teach for America Website**
**Prince George’s County Public Schools Website**

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Prince George’s County

Title of Program: Prince George’s County Resident Teacher Program
This program earned initial State Program Approval in 2020.

Partners:
Prince George’s County Public Schools

Certification Areas
Elementary Education (grades 1-6)

Prince George’s County Public Schools Website

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