

Teacher Salary Supplement Program (TSSP)

TSSP Subject Area Requirements

The following listing provides a breakdown for the various supplement-approved assignments. Refer to the subject area below for the legislative requirements:

Science Educator Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Educator must have the following.

1. **Degree:** *The educator must have a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.*

Degree Major: The educator's degree must be designated in CACTUS with one of the following majors:

- *Chemistry*
- *Physics*
- *Physical Science*
- *Integrated Science**
- *General Science**

**An Integrated Science or General Science degree is a historical degree which is no longer attainable or in existence but was included in the legislative language.*

OR

Qualifying Professional Background: The educator's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved science assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

2. **Appropriate Endorsements:** Educators must hold a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
3. **Qualified Courses:** A educator must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:

- Integrated Science in Grade 7
- Integrated Science in Grade 8
- Chemistry
- Physics

DEGREE MAJORS THAT DO NOT QUALIFY:

- **Biology**
- **Earth Sciences**
- **Geology**
- **Zoology**

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Secondary Mathematics Educator Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Educator must have the following.

- 1. Degree:** *The educator must have a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.*

Degree Major: The educator's degree must be designated in CACTUS with the following major:

- *Mathematics*

OR

Qualifying Professional Background: The educator's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved secondary **mathematics** assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

- 2. Appropriate Endorsements:** Educators must hold a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
- 3. Qualified Courses:** A educator must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:
 - Secondary Mathematics
 - Grade Level 7 Mathematics
 - Grade Level 8 Mathematics

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Computer Science Educator Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Educator must have the following.

1. **Degree:** *The educator must have a bachelor's, master's degree or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.*

Degree Major: The educator's degree must be designated in CACTUS with one of the following majors:

- *Information Technology*
- *Computer Information Technology*
- *Computer Science*

OR

Qualifying Professional Background: The educator's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved **computer science** assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

2. **Appropriate Endorsements:** Educators must hold a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
3. **Qualified Courses:** A educator must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:
 - Computer Science
 - Systems Integration
 - Systems Engineering

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Special Education Educator Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Educator must have the following.

1. **Degree:** *The educator must have a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.*

Degree Major: The educator's degree must be designated in CACTUS with one of the following majors:

- *Special Education*
- *Deaf and Hard of Hearing*
- *Mild/Moderate Disabilities*
- *Severe Disabilities*
- *Blind and Visually Impaired*
- *Preschool Special Education*

OR

Qualifying Professional Background: The educator's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved **special education** assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

2. **Appropriate Endorsements:** Educators must hold a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
3. **Qualified Courses:** A educator must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:
 - **Special Education Classroom Assignment(s)**
 - **Early Childhood (Pre-school) Special Education**

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Deaf Education Educator Requirements

Degree or Qualifying Teaching Background:

Educator must have the following.

- 1. Degree:** *The educator must have a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited university.*

Degree Major: The educator's degree must be designated in CACTUS with one of the following majors:

- *Deaf Education*
- *Deaf and Hard of Hearing*
- *Communication Disorders & Deaf Education*

OR

Qualifying Professional Background: The educator's CACTUS record must show a teaching history for the same supplement-approved **deaf education** assignment in Utah public schools for at least 10 years.

- 2. Appropriate License/Endorsements:** Educators must hold a current Professional Educator License in Deaf Education with a valid endorsement(s) for the class(es) they teach.
- 3. Qualified Courses:** A educator must have a current assignment to teach at least one of the following courses:
 - Deaf Education Classroom Assignment(s)
 - Deaf and Hard of Hearing
 - Listening and Spoken Language (LSL)