

# Application for Certification Only: Programs In Education



Thank you for your interest in the teacher education programs at PLU. The following material will be used when reviewing your file:

1. **Applicants must complete a bachelor's degree** prior to enrollment in the Alternative Routes/Teacher certification program.
2. **Attained** a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher from all college coursework.
3. **Complete the *Application for Certification Only: Programs in Education***. (attached)
4. **Submit a \$40.00** non-refundable application fee unless you have applied to PLU previously for any other program.
5. **Submit official transcripts(s)** from ALL previous colleges or universities attended. All transcripts must be sent directly from the school to PLU/Admissions.
6. **Submit** a Resume and Statement of Goals.
7. **Submit** two letters of recommendation. This may include a reference from a district representative with whom you have had previous experience. Recommendations should not be from friends or family members. (see attached forms)
8. **Submit** passing score from the Washington Educator Skills Test-Basic (WEST-B). Go to [www.west.nesinc.com](http://www.west.nesinc.com) for testing dates.
9. **Successfully complete** a group interview. You will be contacted to schedule an interview time.

**Submit application materials to:**

Office of Admissions  
Pacific Lutheran University  
Tacoma, WA 98447

1-800-274-6758  
253/535-7151  
Fax: 253/536-5136  
[admissions@plu.edu](mailto:admissions@plu.edu)  
[www.plu.edu](http://www.plu.edu)

**For more information contact:**

School of Education  
Pacific Lutheran University  
Tacoma, WA 98447

253-535-7272  
Fax: 253/535-7184  
[educ@plu.edu](mailto:educ@plu.edu)  
[www.plu.edu/~educ](http://www.plu.edu/~educ)

**For Alternative Routes Only:**

Please complete insert re: Conditional Loan Scholarships and return with this application.

–**Submit** a passing score on the Praxis II (WEST-E) exam in your content area ([www.ets.org/praxis/prxwa.html](http://www.ets.org/praxis/prxwa.html)).



# Statistical Information

Questions 22 - 23 are optional and do not affect individual Admission decisions.

22. How do you describe yourself:  Caucasian/White  African American  Native American/Alaskan Native  
 Hispanic American  Asian American/Pacific Islander  Multi Ethnic  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

23. Religious preference:  Lutheran Home Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_ Synod \_\_\_\_\_  
 Baptist  Episcopal  Methodist  Presbyterian  Roman Catholic  Non-denominational Christian  
 Jewish  Other \_\_\_\_\_  None  Choose Not to Report

# Educational Information

24. List all colleges/universities in order of attendance (no exceptions).  
 If still enrolled in a college, indicate leaving date: (mo.) \_\_\_\_\_ (yr.) \_\_\_\_\_

INSTITUTION	CITY	STATE	DATES ATTENDED		DEGREE	DATE COMPLETED
1. _____	_____	_____	FROM: (MO./YR.) _____	TO: (MO./YR.) _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	FROM: (MO./YR.) _____	TO: (MO./YR.) _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	FROM: (MO./YR.) _____	TO: (MO./YR.) _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	FROM: (MO./YR.) _____	TO: (MO./YR.) _____	_____	_____

# Additional Information

25. Describe any special circumstances you believe should be considered in connection with this application (if necessary, attach additional page referencing name and SSN.)

# Signature

I understand failure to submit complete official transcripts from all schools, colleges, or universities attended may result in the denial of this application or my subsequent dismissal from this institution. I certify that to the best of my knowledge, all statements I have made in this application are complete and true. Permission is hereby given to release appropriate test score and academic records requested by Pacific Lutheran University.

NAME OF APPLICANT (PRINT)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

*Pacific Lutheran University subscribes to the principles and laws of the State of Washington and the federal government, including applicable executive orders pertaining to civil rights. This institution is committed to the policy that all persons shall have equal access to programs and facilities without regard to age, color, creed, marital status, national or ethnic origin, disabling conditions, race religion, gender or sexual orientation.*

# Statement of Character and Signature

Applicants to PLU must present evidence of good character in order to be accepted for admission. In accordance, do you certify that you have not been convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor, and that you do not have a case pending against you at this time?

- Yes I so certify.  
 No If no, please attach written details with your application.

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# Pacific Lutheran University School of Education

## *Recommendation for Admission to Teacher Certification Only Programs*

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ SSN \_\_\_\_\_

Applying for:  Alternative Routes  Teacher Certification

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

In compliance with the Family Education rights and Privacy Act of 1974, effective November 21, 1974, this letter of recommendation, which will be placed in the applicant's admission file requires the applicant's authorization for the following recommendation.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I waive the right to be shown information on this form, which is to be used for admission purposes only, and hereby declare it to be confidential.

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The above named individual is an applicant for admission to the Teacher Education Program. In order to assess the applicant's promise of becoming an effective teacher, we ask you to respond to the following questions. This evaluation will be shared with the applicant if he/she requests, unless they have signed the confidentiality statement above. Thank you for your time. (Recommendations should not come from family or friends.)

**What has been your relationship to the applicant (check as many as apply.)**

- Instructor (undergraduate/graduate)     Academic Adviser     Employer/Supervisor     Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one of the statements below.

- \_\_\_\_\_ On the basis of my experience and knowledge of this applicant, I do not hesitate to recommend him/her.
- \_\_\_\_\_ My experience with the applicant has been limited. What I do know about him/her leads me to believe that he/she would be a good prospect.
- \_\_\_\_\_ In the light of my knowledge and experience with this applicant, I hesitate to recommend him/her.
- \_\_\_\_\_ On the basis of my experience and knowledge of this applicant, I cannot recommend him/her. The following or characteristics may make the applicant unacceptable, in my opinion.

**Please comment on the candidate's academic and personal qualifications for the teaching profession.** \_\_\_\_\_

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If you would like to make additional comments, please use the reverse side of this form.

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_____ Print or type name	_____ Position/Title
_____ Employer/Organization	_____ Phone
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