



New Student Orientation Certification and Licensure

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When will you hear from me?

As you near the end of your program:

- Certification and licensure
- How do you want to stay connected to Warner (guest presenter, field supervisor, contact for new applicants to share your experiences at Warner)
- What great things you're doing in your field
- Graduate and alumni surveys



Students that can be dismissed

- Dismiss students registered in programs that don't lead to NYS certification:
 - Educational Policy
 - Higher Ed
 - Health Professions
 - Human Development (not ABA students)
 - Online Teaching and Learning
 - Program Evaluation
 - Doc programs without cert



Programs remaining

- Applied Behavioral Analysis
 - Community Mental Health Counseling
 - School Counseling
 - Administrators
 - Teaching



Certification and Licensure

- On Warner home page (search “certification” or “licensure”):
<https://www.warner.rochester.edu/students/support/certification>
- Orientation document
- Dates and registration info for all workshops
- FAQ's re: Certification and Licensure
 - TEACH
 - Workshops
 - Certification Exams
 - Applying for Certification
 - Certificate Issuance
 - Miscellaneous
- Application for certification instructions
- NYS Program Codes for TEACH
- Form requesting recommendation in TEACH
- Confirmation letters
- Next steps to certification; when nearing program completion



Workshops

- Child Abuse Identification
 - Only workshop required for ABA and Mental Health programs
- Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE)
- DASA (Dignity for All Students Act)
- Advise to complete each workshop as soon as possible. Advisor will let you know if there are program-specific requirements.
- Only have to take each workshop once
- Registration information can be found on our website. Additional registration information will be sent via email.
- Student sends certificate of completion to certification@warner.rochester.edu
- Provider uploads certificate of completion to TEACH
 - ABA and Mental Health licensure doesn't use the TEACH system, students need to retain the copy of the certificate of completion; will need for licensure



Child Abuse Identification Workshop

- Two-hour training in the identification and reporting of suspected child abuse and maltreatment.
- Required for:
 - students seeking New York State certification in teaching, school counseling, and administration.
 - students seeking New York State licensure in clinical mental health counseling and applied behavior analysis.
- Complete workshop at [NYS Office of Children and Family Services](#)
 - Register for an account and complete through their system
- Submit certificate of completion
- Became a requirement in February 1991.



Fingerprint-Supported Background Check

- New York State requirement for:
 - certification applicants in teaching, counseling, and administration
 - anyone who is intending to work with children, either through ABA or CMHC licensure
- Complete your fingerprinting as soon as possible.
 - Many internships and student teaching placements cannot begin until fingerprinting has been complete.
- Fingerprinting done through Identogo: www.identogo.com .
 - Set up account
 - Answer questions related to citizenship, and other essential info.
 - All information is online at NYSED/OSPRA (Office of School Personnel Review and Accountability).
 - <http://www.nysed.gov/educator-integrity/fingerprint-process>
 - NYSED Fingerprint Helpdesk; ospira@nysed.gov or call (518) 473-2998.



Capstone Project

- New York State registered programs
- Capstone project included
- Cannot be a program completer, i.e. graduate, until capstone is completed
- **Approximate** deadlines for each grad cycle

| Graduation Cycle | Deadline for advisor to confirm completion |
|------------------|--|
| August | Last Friday of July |
| October | Tuesday after Labor Day |
| December | Third Friday in November |
| February | Last Friday in January |
| May | Second Friday of April |



Be kind to your
future self!



Dismiss Programs

Candidates in the following programs can be dismissed:

- CMHC
- ABA



SAVE Workshop

SAVE (Safe Schools Against Violence in Education) workshop:

- Two hours of training in school violence prevention and intervention
- Required for students seeking New York State certification in teaching, school counseling, and administration.
- Opportunity to complete workshop through Genesee Valley BOCES
 - Registration fee covered for students matriculated in a program that leads to NYS certification or licensure.
 - Register for an account and complete through their system
 - Registration information indicated on our website
- Can choose to complete at any [NYS-approved provider](#)
- Submit certificate of completion
- Became a requirement in February 2001



DASA (Dignity For All Students Act) Workshop

- Six hours of training in Harassment, Bullying, Cyberbullying, and Discrimination in Schools: Prevention and Intervention
- Required for students seeking New York State certification in teaching, school counseling, and administration.
- Two-part training:
 - Three-hour part I component
 - Confirmation of completion of all modules
 - Three-hour part II
 - Opportunity to complete workshop through Genesee Valley BOCES
 - Registration fee covered for students matriculated in a program that leads to NYS certification or licensure.
 - Register for an account and complete through their system
 - Registration information indicated on our website
 - Can complete at any [NYS-approved provider](#)
 - Submit certificate of completion
- Became a requirement in January 2014;
 - likely will need it if seeking a second certification



Exams

- NYSTCE testing requirements will depend on the subject area(s) of certification.
 - www.nystce.nesinc.com
- Content Specialty Test (CST)
 - Each subject area
- Educating All Students (EAS)
- Requirements specific to area of certification
<http://eservices.nysed.gov/teach/certhelp/CertRequirementHelp.do>
- Be sure to select University of Rochester to receive results (not school district)



TEACH records

- Keep name current in the TEACH system
- If you're a Jr. or III or have a name change, needs to be exactly how listed on your legal identification
- <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/namechg.html>



Certification student to-do list

Things you can do now:

1. Register for TEACH account
2. Review requirements specific to area of certification:

<http://eservices.nysed.gov/teach/certhelp/CertRequirementHelp.do>

3. Complete fingerprinting process
4. Complete all workshops

Have a Great Semester!



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