

Approved Industry Certifications

Idaho offers several pathways for industry professionals to become career technical education (CTE) teachers. This guide identifies industry certifications approved by the Idaho Division of Career Technical Education that may qualify you for a Limited Occupational Specialist teaching certificate.

To determine whether you qualify, find your career field and program area from the list below. Each program area name links to information about the courses, content and industry expectations associated with that pathway; the “[Industry certifications → educator certification](#)” link allows you to move more intentionally within this document.

- [Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources | Industry certifications → educator certification](#)
- [Business and Marketing Education | Industry certifications → educator certification](#)
- [Engineering and Technology Education | Industry certifications → educator certification](#)
- [Family and Consumer Sciences and Human Services | Industry certifications → educator certification](#)
- [Health Professions and Public Safety | Industry certifications → educator certification](#)
- [Individualized Occupational Training | Industry certifications → educator certification](#)
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Then, review the approved industry certifications listed for that area. If your industry certification isn’t listed, you may still qualify through one of the other educator certification pathways outlined in [Idaho Administrative Rule 08.02.02.015\(04\)\(c\)](#), including qualifying industry experience or a combination of education and work experience.

Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

[Agribusiness](#)

Hold one of the following industry certifications and an agriculture-related certification (i.e., [Beef Quality Assurance](#), [Certified Crop Advisor](#) or [Certified Professional Agronomist](#)):

- Certified Public Accountant
- [Idaho Securities Bureau registration](#)
- QuickBooks certification or another accounting software certification

Agriculture Food Science and Processing

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Certified Food Scientist](#)
- [Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point](#)

Agricultural Leadership and Communications

- No approved industry certifications

Agriculture Power, Structural and Mechanical Systems

- No approved industry certifications

Agriculture Small Engine Repair

Hold all the following Equipment and Engine Training Council (EETC) industry certifications:

- [Electrical Systems](#)
- [Four Stroke Engine](#)
- [Mechanical Systems](#)
- [Two Stroke Engine](#)

Agricultural Welding

Hold the following industry certification:

- [American Welding Society](#) certification at the 3G level or higher in two or more welding processes

Animal Science

- No approved industry certifications

Ecology and Natural Resource Management

- No approved industry certifications

Forest Products

Hold all the following industry certifications:

- [Idaho Board of Scaling Practices Certified Scaler](#)
- [Idaho Pro-Logger Education to Advanced Professionalism](#)
- [Idaho Pro-Logger First Aid and Safety Training](#)
- OSHA 30

Ornamental Horticulture

Hold one of the following industry certifications and a floral design certification (e.g., Certified Floral Designer or Benz Floral Design School Certification):

- [Certified Horticulture Industry Professional \(formerly Certified Nursery Professional\)](#)
- [Certified Plant Diagnostician](#)
- [ISA Certified Arborist](#)
- [Landscape Industry Certification](#)

Plant and Soil

Hold the following industry certification:

- [Certified Crop Advisor](#)

Business and Marketing Education

Administrative Services

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Certified Administrative Professional](#)
- [Certified Business Office Manager](#)
- [Professional Administrative Certification of Excellence](#)

Applied Accounting

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Certified Bookkeeper](#)
- [Certified Fraud Examiner](#)
- [Certified Internal Auditor](#)
- [Certified Management Accountant](#)
- [Certified Payroll Professional](#)
- [Certified Public Accountant](#)

Business Management/High School of Business

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [American Professional Management Certification](#)
- [Business Analyst Professional Certification](#)
- [Certified Public Manager](#)

Digital Communications/Graphic Design

Hold all the following Adobe Certified Professional industry certifications:

- [Graphic Design and Illustration Using Adobe Illustrator](#)
- [Print and Digital Media Publication Using Adobe InDesign](#)
- [Visual Design Using Adobe Photoshop](#)

Hospitality Management

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Certified Guest Services Professional](#)
- [Certified Hospitality Manager](#)
- [Certified Hospitality Revenue Manager](#)
- [Certified Hospitality Supervisor](#)
- [Certified Hotel Administrator](#)
- [Certified Rooms Division Executive](#)

Marketing

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Advanced Digital Marketing Expert Certification](#)
- [American Marketing Association Professional Certified Marketer](#)
- [Content Marketing Institute Certification](#)
- [Google Digital Marketing and E-commerce Professional Certificate](#)
- [Meta Certified Media Planning Professional](#)
- [Online Marketing Certification Associate](#)

Engineering and Technology Education

Aviation

Hold the following industry certification:

- [FAA Part 107](#)

Commercial Photography

Hold the following industry certification:

- [Certified Professional Photographer](#)

Computer Support

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Cisco Certified Support Technician—IT Support](#)
- [CompTIA A+](#)

Cybersecurity

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Cisco Certified Support Technician—Cybersecurity](#)
- [CompTIA Security+](#)
- [CompTIA SecurityX \(formerly CASP+\)](#)

Digital Media Production

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Digital Video Using Adobe Premiere Pro](#)
- [Visual Effects and Motion Graphics Using Adobe After Effects](#)

Drafting and Design

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Autodesk \(any\)](#)
- [SolidWorks Certified Associate](#)

Graphic Design

Hold all the following Adobe Certified Professional industry certifications:

- [Graphic Design and Illustration Using Adobe Illustrator](#)
- [Print and Digital Media Publication Using Adobe InDesign](#)
- [Visual Design Using Adobe Photoshop](#)

Journalism

- No approved industry certifications

Networking Support

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Cisco Certified Support Technician—Networking](#)
- [CompTIA Network+](#)

- [CompTIA Security+](#)

[Pre-Engineering Technology](#)

- No approved industry certifications

[Programming and Software Development](#)

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [CompTIA Cloud Essentials](#)
- [CompTIA Project+](#)

[Web Design and Development](#)

- No approved industry certifications

Family and Consumer Sciences and Human Services

[Apparel and Textiles](#)

- No approved industry certifications

[Cosmetology](#)

Hold all the following industry certifications:

- [Idaho cosmetology instructor license](#)
- [Idaho cosmetology license](#)

[Culinary Arts](#)

Hold the following industry certifications:

- [American Culinary Federation Certified Culinarian](#)

[Early Childhood Education](#)

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Certified in Family and Consumer Sciences](#)
- [Certified in Human Development and Family Science](#)
- [Child Development Associate](#)

[Hospitality Services](#)

Hold the following industry certifications:

- [Certified in Hospitality, Nutrition and Food Science](#)

Health Professions and Public Safety

[Dental Assisting](#)

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Idaho dentist license](#)
- [Idaho dental hygienist license](#)
- [Certified Dental Assistant](#)

[Emergency Medical Technician](#)

Hold all the following industry certifications:

- [Idaho EMS license](#)
- [Certified EMT Instructor](#)

[Firefighting](#)

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Firefighter I](#)
- [Firefighter II](#)

[Law Enforcement](#)

Hold the following industry certifications:

- [Peace Officers Standards and Training certification](#)

[Medical Assisting](#)

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Certified Clinical Medical Assistant](#)
- [Certified Medical Assistant](#)
- [Registered Medical Assistant](#)

[Nursing Assistant](#)

Hold all the following industry certifications:

- [Idaho Registered Nurse license](#)
- [CNA Primary Instructor](#)

Pharmacy Technician

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [NHA Certified Pharmacy Technician](#)
- [PTCB Certified Pharmacy Technician](#)

Rehabilitation Services

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [Athletic Trainer Certification](#)
- [Board certification in a physical therapy specialty](#)
- [Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant](#)
- [Occupational Therapist Registered](#)
- [Physical Therapist Assistant license](#)
- [Physical Therapist license](#)

Individualized Occupational Training

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- No approved industry certifications

Trades and Industry

Aircraft Maintenance

Hold the following industry certification:

- [FAA Airframe and Powerplant](#)

Automated Manufacturing

- No approved industry certifications

Automotive Collision Repair

Hold the following industry certification:

- [Automotive Service Excellence \(ASE\) Collision Repair Master Technician](#)

Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair

Hold the following industry certification:

- [ASE Automobile and Light Truck Master Technician](#)

[Cabinetmaking and Fine Woodworking](#)

- No approved industry certifications

[Construction Trades Technology](#)

- No approved industry certifications

[Electrical](#)

Hold the following industry certification:

- [Idaho journeyman electrician license or higher](#)

[Electronics Technology](#)

- No approved industry certifications

[Heavy Duty Truck and Equipment](#)

Hold the following industry certification:

- [ASE Medium-Heavy Truck \(Diesel\) Master Technician](#)

[HVAC Technology](#)

Hold the following industry certification:

- [Idaho journeyman HVAC license or higher](#)

[Industrial Maintenance Mechanics](#)

- No approved industry certifications

[Plumbing](#)

Hold the following industry certification:

- [Idaho journeyman plumber license or higher](#)

[Precision Machining](#)

- No approved industry certifications

[Powersports and Outdoor Power Equipment](#)

Hold all the following EETC industry certifications:

- [Driveline Systems](#)
- [Electrical Systems](#)
- [Four Stroke Engine](#)
- [Mechanical Systems](#)
- [Mobile Generators](#)
- [Reel Technology](#)
- [Two Stroke Engine](#)

[Welding](#)

Hold one of the following industry certifications:

- [American Welding Society \(AWS\) certification](#) at the 3G level or higher in two or more welding processes
- [AWS Certified Welding Inspector](#)
- [AWS Certified Welding Educator](#)