

# USA TEACHING PROGRAM TESTS REQUIREMENT



# DO I REALLY NEED TO TAKE A TOFEL TEST?

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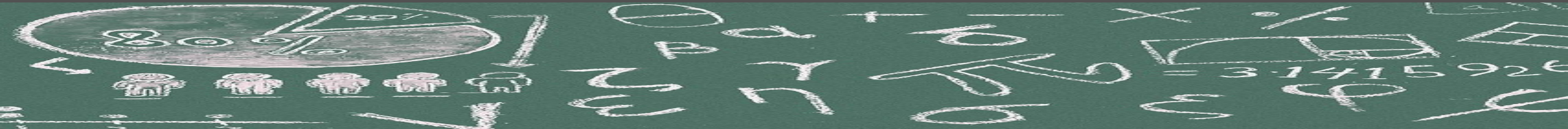


- If you are from the countries that English is not your native language. Yes you will need to take a TOFEL test to receive a teaching license.
- Teachers from the Philippines and India are **REQUIRED** to take TOFEL test!
- Test requirement is set by Department of Education that issues educator license
- Some states require Praxis Tests to be eligible for a teaching license

# CAN I TAKE THE TEST AFTER I HAVE BEEN OFFERED A TEACHING POSITION IN THE U.S?

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- UNFORTUNATELY NO
- 7 OUT OF 10 TEACHERS FAIL TO PASS THE TOFEL
- SOME OF THEM ARE ENGLISH MAJOR TEACHERS AND FAIL
- MANY HAVE TO RETAKE SEVERAL TIMES
- HIGH RISK OF LOSING A TEACHING CONTRACT



# MY FRIEND ENROLLED AT YOUR PROGRAM SAID THEY WERE NOT REQUIRED TO TAKE THE TEST??

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- DUE TO HIGH TEST FAILURE RATE, WE HAVE ENFORCED THIS REQUIREMENT
- 7 OUT OF 10 TEACHERS FAIL TO PASS THE TOFEL
- SOME OF THEM ARE ENGLISH MAJOR TEACHERS
- MANY HAVE TO RETAKE FEW TIMES
- TOFEL AND PRAXIS TEST ARE REQUIRED BY MANY STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



# RISKS OF NOT BE ABLE TO PASS TESTS

In the past, teachers who were not able to pass the tests and waited until they were in the U.S are currently facing several dilemmas *right now*;

1. Without required tests, teacher is not able to receive a teaching license, therefore the pay is greatly reduced as a substitute teacher pay rate which is 50% or more less than a standard pay for a full time licensed teacher;
2. Test center is far away from where teachers are located and public transportation is not available. Unless you are able to purchase a vehicle immediately or you may find yourself in a very difficult situation;
3. In addition to the overwhelming new environment, new students, new culture and new everything. **YOU WILL BE BUSY IN THE FIRST FEW MONTHS** if not longer to adjust **everything!** you will be very stress to find times to study and to pass it!!
4. Without a license, school won't be able to extend your contract!

# WHAT ABOUT PRAXIS TESTS?

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- Many states require Praxis Tests and some will issue one or two years provisional license for out of country certified teachers. This gives you time to pass the tests
- Early prepare is still highly recommended.
- Few states like Montana and Alaska do require immediate praxis tests.



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