Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher Education

NYS TEACHER CERTIFICATION CHECK LIST
FOR INITIAL CERTIFICATION IN FCS

☐ GRE Revised General Test is required for admission into any graduate teacher education program starting July 1, 2016 (www.ets.org/gre).

☐ Minimum of 30 semester credits in Family & Consumer Sciences with at least one course in the following eight areas: clothing construction, child development, consumer studies, family relations, food preparation/culinary arts or food science, nutrition, personal financial management, and textiles or interior design.

☐ Minimum of 18 semester credits/hours in professional education courses

☐ Student Teaching Experience

☐ NYS Teacher Certification Examinations (www.nystce.nesinc.com)
  ❑ Content Specialty Test in Family & Consumer Sciences (CST): Best taken when the majority of your content courses in FCS are completed.
  ❑ Teacher Performance Test (edTPA): You will be creating an e-portfolio during the student teaching internship, as it requires a video tape of you teaching a lesson to a class, in addition to other requirements.
  ❑ Workshops/Seminars: (Turn over for more information.)
    ❑ Child Abuse Identification & Reporting
    ❑ School Violence Prevention & Intervention
    ❑ Harassment, Bullying, Cyberbullying, and Discrimination in Schools (DASA)

☐ Fingerprint Clearance: Packets available at local school districts, BOCES, and NYSED. Check website for information: www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/ospra/packets.htm

☐ Baccalaureate Degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education with a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Information can be found in the Teacher Certification Office in Powdermaker Hall 100G.

Phone: 718-997-5547 Email: tcert@qc.cuny.edu
https://www.qc.cuny.edu/Academics/Degrees/Education/certification/Pages/TCERTHome.aspx

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Workshops/Seminars for Initial Teacher Certification

All workshops/seminars are offered at Queens College through Professional and Continuing Studies located in Room 100 in Kissena Hall, 64-19 Kissena Blvd. (open 9:00am-5:00pm), 718-997-5739. You can pick up a current course catalog at their office or check the schedule online at: http://www.qc.cuny.edu/pcs/Programs/ProfessionalDevelopment/Pages/default.aspx.

You can get information about all the seminars at the Certification Office in Delany G10. The three-hour seminars at Queens College are $55.00/course and offered throughout each semester at night only. The new Harassment, Bullying, Cyberbullying, and Discrimination in Schools seminar (aka DASA Training) is a 6-hour workshop and $110.00 (at QC). Do NOT wait until the last minute to take the workshops! These seminars fill up quickly at Queens College, as every education major must take them. Register early so you can get the dates conducive to your schedule. Two of the seminars can be found and taken elsewhere as listed below.

1. Child Abuse Identification: This workshop can be taken at many different places since health care providers are also required to take it. Most colleges, hospitals, health centers, etc. will offer this 3-hour workshop.

2. School Violence Prevention: This workshop is required of all education personnel and offered at many of the colleges throughout New York State

These workshops are also offered online at the following websites, which are NYSED approved for teacher certification:

- **Genius Genius of New York**: The course cost $39.95 or you can take both the child abuse and school violence for $74.95. www.childabuseworkshop.com

- **Workshops Express**: The course cost $39.95 or you can take both the child abuse and school violence for $74.95. www.workshopsexpress.com

- **Education Training Center**: They offer the child abuse and school violence workshops for $25.00 each. www.edtrainingcenter.com

- **NYS Mandated Reporter Resource Center**: They offer the child abuse workshop for free. http://www.nysmandatedreporter.org/TrainingCourses.aspx

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