

# **Alternative Teacher Preparation**

## **Contact Information**

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## **Program Description**

The Alternative Teacher Preparation (ATP) Program in Foreign Languages is a non-degree undergraduate program leading to P-12 teacher certification in Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Portuguese, or Spanish. It is open to foreign language teachers who are not fully certified but are employed and wish to obtain a State of Georgia Induction Certificate. Upon admission, candidates receive an individualized certification plan. *Please refer to the ATP Policies and Procedures for complete program details.*

## **Admissions Requirements**

1. Full-time employment as a foreign language teacher in a public or private SACS-accredited school in Georgia.
2. Sufficient time to complete the program of study before the temporary certificate expires. (This may require an extension of the certificate)
3. Letter by the principal of the candidate's school to verify employment and to request that KSU work with the teacher/candidate to complete the requirements towards the Induction Certificate.
4. Admission to KSU as an undergraduate non-degree student for Fall semester in the year you wish to be accepted.
5. Completed "Program Entry" Georgia Educator Ethics Exam.
6. Completed ATP application.
7. Official transcripts of all university courses.
8. Official professional development transcripts of all courses taken.
9. Copies of test score reports (GACE Content), if taken.
10. A copy of the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) certificate, if taken. For Chinese and Japanese, the ACTFL Writing Proficiency Exam (WPT) is also required for a recommendation for certification. It does not apply to Latin.
11. Admission interview.

12. Hand-written essay in the non-native language completed during on-campus interview.

Articulation through Sequenced Coursework:

- Successful completion of WLED 4408, WLED 4410, WLED 4412, and WLED 4414 are prerequisites to enrollment in FLED 4670 and FLED 4671.
- Successful completion of FLED 4670 and FLED 4671 are prerequisites to enrollment in FLED 4680 and FLED 4681.

***Program Retention:***

The prerequisites for program continuation comprise a good academic standing with a GPA of 2.75 or higher and no more than one "D" or "F" grade earned in required lower and upper division courses in the teacher education program.

**Program Completion:**

To earn a State of Georgia Induction Certificate:

- Earn an official ACTFL OPI rating of Advanced Low or higher in Type I languages and Intermediate High or higher in Type II languages (Latin is not included).
- Pass the GACE Content Assessment for French, German, Latin, or Spanish; or ACTFL WPT for other languages.
- Pass the Georgia Educator Ethics Assessment.