

## **New York State Teacher Certification Requirements Initial Teaching Certificate and Additional Licenses**

To meet the NYS Teacher Certification requirements, there are several components in addition to completing a teacher education program. These include the following: teacher certification exams, two workshops, and fingerprinting.

### **New York State Teacher Certification Exams**

- ***Liberal Arts and Science Test (LAST)*** This test is taken by all candidates who are seeking New York State Initial Teaching Certificate.
- ***Assessment of Teaching Skills-Written (ATS-W)*** Two different tests are given to candidates depending on the grade level they are preparing to teach.
- ***Content Specialty Test***  
These tests are geared to the special discipline.

For further information on registering for all of the teacher certification exams and viewing the frameworks for each exam visit [www.nystce.nesinc.com](http://www.nystce.nesinc.com) .

### **Teacher Certification Workshops**

Offered on New Rochelle and Rockland Campuses

- Child Abuse
- School Violence (SAVE)

### **Fingerprinting**

All teachers and other school personnel that work in the schools in New York State must be fingerprinted.

Offered at the Security Office on Iona College New Rochelle Campus

### **Additional Licenses**

After completion of graduate programs related to literacy education and educational leadership, candidates may obtain an additional license. A Content Specialty Test (CST) is required for each of these areas.