

# Transform Your Job into a Degree & Teaching Career

Reach University is our nation's only nonprofit university fully dedicated to advancing on-the-job degrees, known as **Apprenticeship Degrees**. With Reach, school employees can:

- Earn a bachelor's degree without student loan debt.
- Build an extensive community of teacher mentorship and support.
- Become a more effective paraeducator as you train to become a qualified teacher.

## Your Reach Liberal Studies Teaching Pathway

Reach's on-the-job Bachelor of Liberal Studies (BLS) program prepares undergrads to earn a debt-free bachelor's degree and prepare to pass Praxis licensure exams and become a classroom-ready teacher.

### Step 1: Determine Pathway Based Upon College Credits



**Designed for learners with 29 or less nonremedial college units/credits.**

**8 semesters, 4 phases**



**Designed for transfers with 30 nonremedial college units/credits.**

**6 semesters, 3 phases**



**Designed for associate degree holders across the arts and sciences.**

**4 semesters, 2 years**

*Culminates in a debt-free B.A. with a route to teacher licensure through the preferred accredited educator preparation program or alt-cert provider of your choice following graduation.*

## Step 2: Start Your Reach Journey to a Debt-Free B.A.



### Foundational Year

- **Blends** practical application through job-embedded coursework.
- **Coursework:** Child development, differentiation in the digital age, and ethical practices in education.
- **Develops** leadership, critical thinking, literacy, and professional ethics skills.



### Advanced Year(s)

- **Candidates refine** their expertise in science and literacy instruction while preparing for corresponding Praxis exams.
- **Coursework:** Physical science, biology, and evidence-based literacy instruction through a combination of theoretical study and practical placement experience.
- **Integrates** critical pedagogy with licensure preparation, ensuring readiness for future certification.



### Intermediate Year

- **Prepares** candidates to excel in Praxis II Subject Area Subtests and develop effective instructional strategies.
- **Coursework:** Historical and mathematical concepts with methods for planning, curriculum design, and reflective practices.
- **Equips** candidates with the tools to implement best practices in complex educational settings.

## Step 3: Take the Steps to Teaching Licensure



### Reach's BLS Degree Holders

- Graduate from Reach University. Begin your path to teacher licensure with your preferred provider:
  - Traditional educator preparation programs include a student teaching requirement.
  - Alternative-certification pathways allow aspiring teachers to teach in a Colorado school while they complete a licensure program.
- Timing to completion varies, 1 to 2 years depending on pathway.



**Pass Praxis and state requirements,**  
*Become a Classroom-Ready  
& Licensed Teacher!*



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