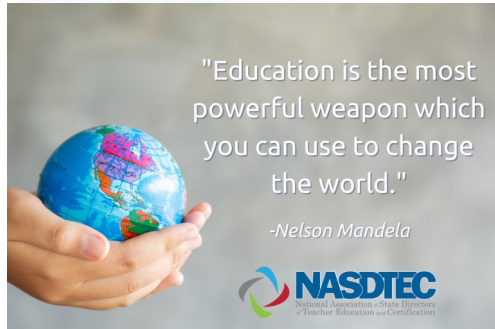


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# CERTIFICATION for EDUCATORS

## School Counselor

## Name Changes Extension Requests Reciprocity



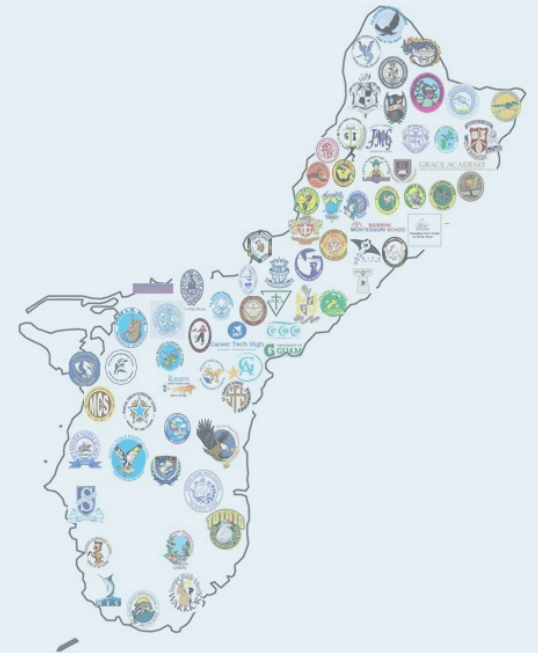
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## About GCEC

The mission of the Guam Commission for Educator Certification is to ensure that all certified Guam educators responsible for the education of our children are competent to perform their duties as teachers, school counselors, librarians, and school administrators.

GCEC is a separate entity governed by a seven (7) member Board of Commissioners. Over 3,000 educators and 5,000 certificates have been processed through GCEC.

Some educators hold one or more certificates, while others have moved off-island keeping their certificate current.





## Educator Certificates

### TEMPORARY SCHOOL COUNSELOR

**Minimum Education Qualifications:**

- Bachelor Degree from a state approved (accredited) college/university in Education, Psychology, Social Work, or field related to School Counseling
- PRAXIS 1/Core PASS

**Minimum Experience Qualifications:** None

**Term:** 2 Years

**Fees:** Application Fee: \$10.00, +  
Initial Fee: \$10.00 or Renewal Fee: \$10.00

**Renewability:** NON-RENEWABLE

### INITIAL SCHOOL COUNSELOR

**Minimum Education Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree from a state approved (accredited) college/university in Education, Psychology, Social Work, or field related to School Counseling
- PRAXIS 1/Core PASS and II (Counseling)
- Completed an approved graduate level program in School Counseling aligned with Common Core Areas and School Counseling Domains (CACREP)
- Internship in School Counseling with 90 hours of college/university supervised field – based counseling experience in K-12 settings

**Minimum Experience Qualifications:** None

**Term:** 3 years

**Fees:** Application Fee: \$15.00 + Initial Fee:\$15.00 or  
Renewal Fee: \$15.00

**Renewability:** NON-RENEWABLE

### PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELOR

**Minimum Education Qualifications:**

- Master of Arts Degree in School Counseling from an approved accredited college/university or from a recognized foreign institution of higher learning recognized Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) or its successors, Educator Program – 2 years of counseling, agreement, proof of 1 year teaching

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- PASS PRAXIS I/ CORE
- 200 hours of supervised field-based experience in K-12 setting (completed Internship)
- Professional Growth Plan acknowledged by site administrator

**Minimum Experience Qualifications:** 2 years satisfactory school counseling.

- 1 year satisfactory classroom teaching OR 360 hours of K-12 counseling related classroom teaching/session (documented evidence)

**Term:** 5 years

**Fees:** Application Fee: \$25.00 +

Initial Fee: \$25.00 or Renewal Fee: \$25.00

**Renewability:** Any number of times to include within certificate holding period and sign by principal 90 clock hours (training/faculty development) professional activities, semester hours, continuing education units, within the 5 year period Professional Growth Plan acknowledge by site administrator 2 years Satisfactory Performance Evaluations sign by Principal/Administrator

### MASTER SCHOOL COUNSELOR

**Minimum Education Qualifications:**

Master of Arts Degree in School Counseling 15 categorical graduate credits beyond the Master's Degree in Counseling and/or related field (i.e. education, psychology, etc.)

MINIMUM:

- 7 years satisfactory school counseling in K-12 setting. (documented evidence)
- 2 years satisfactory classroom teaching (documented evidence) OR 720 hours of K-12 counseling related classroom teaching/session (documented evidence)

**Minimum Experience Qualifications:**

**Term:** 10 years

**Fees:** Application Fee: \$50.00 +

Initial Fee: \$50.00 or Renewal Fee: \$50.00

**Renewability:** Any number of times to include within certificate holding period and sign by principal

- 120 clock hours (training/faculty development) professional activities, semester hours,

continuing education units, within the 10 year period

- Professional Growth Plan acknowledge by site administrator
- 2 years Satisfactory Performance Evaluations sign by Principal/Administrator

### OTHER

**Name Changes** \$10.00; A copy is taken in as record

- Application
- Marriage or Court Certificate
- ID identification Card

**Extension Requests** No Charge

- Letter to the Board
- Professional Growth or Credits Official Transcripts
- Satisfactory EVALUATION
- Application for Extension

**Reciprocity other States in USA** \$10.00

- Must have an educator degree
  - Completed education preparation program
- Although you have an advance degree, an educator degree is needed to certify Full certification with no provisions. Required to take state Guam/ Culture History.

**Educator, Chamorro and Culture, School Administrator, School Librarian, Pre-School, Career Technical, Reading Specialist, extension name changes, and copies,**

Please contact GCEC Office for more details.



*"We learn by teaching." — James Howell*