General disclosure on the Teacher Certification Program webpage: “Planning for Certification (Licensure) in States Other than Missouri”

Washington University offers a number of undergraduate, graduate, and post-baccalaureate academic programs leading to professional educator certification in the state of Missouri. Each of our certification programs has met rigorous standards and is approved by the Missouri State Board of Education. States all have their own unique requirements for teacher certification, but many have reciprocity agreements to allow currently certified teachers to transfer their teaching credentials to a new state. Teachers may have to meet some additional state requirements to move their teaching certificate to another state, but for most states transferring teacher certification is fairly straightforward. Prospective students interested in practicing outside of Missouri are encouraged to email our CERTIFICATION OFFICER to determine eligibility for teacher certification in their state. Students should be aware that certification laws and requirements vary by state, even the terminology used to refer to credentialing, as some states refer to licensure and others to certification. Please see the following spreadsheet for information on whether our program meets the licensing or certification requirements with respect to states and territories other than Missouri. In addition to the information in the spreadsheet, we recommend that you visit the licensing board website of each state under consideration for professional practice. Our CERTIFICATION OFFICER will be happy to help you determine what those additional requirements might entail. Click here to view licensure information for all states and territories.