



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 3301-24-16 Senior professional educator license.

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(A) The senior professional educator license, issued in the areas specified in paragraph (B) of this rule, shall be valid for five years and shall be renewable. The senior professional educator license shall be issued to an individual who is deemed to be of good moral character and who evidences completion of the requirements specified in paragraphs (A)(1) to (A)(4) of this rule:

(1) An applicant for a senior professional educator license shall have completed a master's degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education that is accredited by a regional accrediting organization;

(2) An applicant for a senior professional educator license shall hold one of the following teaching credentials in the same teaching area for which the senior professional educator license is requested: a five year professional teaching license, or a permanent teaching certificate; and

(3) An applicant for a senior professional educator license shall have completed nine years of successful teaching experience under a standard teaching certificate or license, in accordance with the following specifications:

(a) A "year" of teaching experience means actual service of not less than one hundred twenty days within a school year, as defined in section 3319.09 of the Revised Code.

(b) At least five years of the required nine years of teaching experience shall have been under a five year professional teaching license, an eight year professional teaching certificate, or a permanent teaching certificate.

(4) An applicant for a senior professional educator license shall have met the criteria for the accomplished or distinguished level of performance described in the Ohio standards for the teaching profession adopted by the state board of education under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code. An applicant for a senior professional educator license shall demonstrate that he/she has met the criteria



for the accomplished or distinguished level of performance through the applicant holding a valid master teacher designation in accordance with the definition and criteria for a master teacher adopted by the state board of education under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code.

(B) Senior professional educator licenses shall be issued in the same areas for which the applicant holds a five year professional teaching license, or a permanent teaching certificate.