



Secondary CTE Health Science

Applicant

Legal name:

Date:

Requirements

Content Knowledge (Applicants must have A or B):

A. 24 semester hours of related postsecondary coursework verified on an official transcript to include a minimum of 9 semester hours of content coursework in each of the areas listed as **REQUIRED** below, and 15 semester hours of content related coursework from the areas listed as **RELATED** in the table below.

OR

B. Applicants who provide a valid and current state* or national industry license or certification in the appropriate occupational area may have the content coursework waived by the Colorado Department of Education (e.g., license issued by DORA, registered nurse (RN), emergency services technician (EMT), physical therapy). *This does not include teacher licenses.

Occupational Experience (Applicants must have either option 1 or 2):

Credit for student teaching up to 800 hours, in the content area, may be applied to either occupational or teaching experience

1. 4,000 hours of verified occupational experience in the content area within the last five years

OR

2. 3 years verified teaching experience in the content area within the last five years (full-time is defined as 51% or more of a teaching schedule dedicated to teaching in the content area).

Content coursework	Coursework	Semester Hours
Required (9 Semester Hours)		
Health specialty content courses: e.g. nursing, radiology technology, emergency services, physical therapy		
Related (Total of 15 Semester Hours)		
Behavioral sciences		
Disparities in health care		
Patient care		
Legal/ethical issues		
Biological Science/Lab		
Health specialty clinical internship		

Total semester hours (24 semester hours required):

Up to a maximum of 6 semester hours of professional development may be applied toward coursework requirements in the "related" category and must be documented in the application. (15 contact hours = 1 semester hour)

Note: Initial (three-year) CTE Authorizations cannot be renewed and always include mandatory CTE coursework assigned at the time of issuance. You will be notified by CDE via email of all required coursework that is needed to advance to a Professional (five-year) CTE Authorization. Please do not enroll in coursework related to this CTE Authorization until you have been notified by the Colorado Department of Education.