

Would you like to earn a degree  
and your WA State Residency Teaching  
Certificate **WITHOUT** commuting  
to campus or quitting your job?



## IT'S TIME TO GET CERTIFIED!

Are you a para-educator or working with a conditional or emergency certificate? Would you like to work on your certificate while continuing in your current role? Would you like to find a program that won't make you travel to campus for classes, but allows for strong, classroom embedded instruction?

Then our alternative routes program may be just the thing for you. Our new Grow-Your-Own (GYO) partnership with the Bremerton School District involves a fully online curriculum that is integrated into your K-12 classroom, providing certification pathways coupled with a BA or MIT degree.

## WHO'S THIS FOR?

This program is for para-educators or conditionally certified personnel who work in one of our partner districts; this means you!

## WHAT WILL IT LOOK LIKE?

In our program you'll take online courses that will be integrated by your mentor teacher into your field experience classroom. The aim of the program is to allow candidates to continue to work in their current positions while earning both their degree (BA or MIT) and certification simultaneously. You'll be supported by a GYO district lead in your school district, a Mentor classroom teacher, a field supervisor, as well as our NU personnel.

## WHAT ENDORSEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE?

You can choose from four dual endorsements:

- Elementary Education with ELL (beginning July 2017)
- Elementary Education with SPED (beginning July 2017)
- Secondary Biology with Middle-level Science (beginning July 2018)
- Secondary Mathematics with Middle-level Mathematics (beginning July 2018)

## HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?

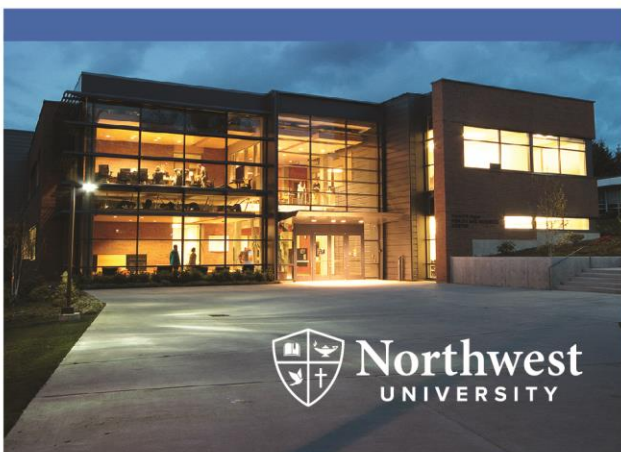
- AA to BA with Certification: online course-work spread over approximately two years (up to 30 credits of applicable life / classroom experience can be applied to reduce credit requirements)
- BA to MIT with Certification: online course-work spread over approximately one or two years (you can choose the pacing)

## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

The GYO program is discounted for our district partners. The AA to BA with certification program requires 66–78 credits and is priced at \$405 per credit. The credit requirements may be reduced if courses are transferred in or work experienced is applied. The BA to MIT with certification program requires 30 credits and is priced at \$840 per credit. Pre-requisite courses may be required if all content requirements are not met.

## WHO IS NORTHWEST UNIVERSITY?

Established in 1934, Northwest University (NU) is a small, private liberal arts university offering a wide variety of majors and programs in Kirkland, WA. The NU College of Education (COE) houses an on-ground undergraduate BA certification program, a one-year Master in Teacher certification program, online and on-ground Master of Education programs aimed at teacher professional development, as well as ProTeach support. Our COE programs are fully approved by state and regional accreditors.



## NEXT STEPS:

- **For more information, check out our GYO website at:**  
[www.northwestu.edu/gyo](http://www.northwestu.edu/gyo)
- **Contact Stephanie Hallam with any questions: [gyo@northwestu.edu](mailto:gyo@northwestu.edu); (425) 889-7794**