

**505-3-.40 CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS PROGRAM**

**(1) Purpose.** This rule states criteria for approving programs that prepare individuals to teach career and technical specializations (CTS) in grades 6-12, and supplements requirements in GaPSC Rule [505-3-.01 REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS](#) and in GaPSC Rule [505-3-.03 FOUNDATIONS OF READING, LITERACY, AND LANGUAGE](#).

**(2) Requirements.**

- (a) Candidates shall meet eligibility criteria outlined in GaPSC Certification Rule 505-2-.90, CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS in one of the following fields of Career and Technical Education (CTE):

Architectural Drawing and Design  
Audio/Video Technology and Film  
Automotive Service Technology  
Aviation  
Barbering  
Collision Repair  
Computer Animation  
Construction  
Cosmetology  
Culinary Arts  
Distribution and Logistics  
Electronics Technology  
Esthetics  
Government and Public Administration

Granite Technology  
Graphic Communication and Design  
Health Information Technology  
Information Technology  
Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps (JROTC)  
Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security  
Manufacturing and Engineering Sciences  
Marine Service Technology  
Nails  
Precision Machine Technology  
Sheet Metal  
Welding Technology

- (b) The program shall require demonstrated work experience in the field of eligibility and shall develop and consistently apply a clearly established procedure to evaluate and assess work experience.
- (c) To receive approval, a GaPSC-approved educator preparation provider shall offer a preparation program described in program planning forms, catalogs, and syllabi addressing the following standards.
1. The program shall prepare candidates who interpret, develop, and implement curriculum for Career and Technical Specializations (CTS) programs, including instructional methods of teaching theory and laboratory activities.
  2. The program shall prepare candidates who understand the organizational structures and historical development of CTS education and its relationship to American business and industry.
  3. The program shall prepare candidates who integrate academic and CTS content in the development of CTS curriculum, and in implementing cross-curricular activities.
  4. The program shall prepare candidates who organize, manage, plan, and supervise the school CTS laboratory.
  5. The program shall prepare candidates who understand and are able to accommodate special populations and the unique learning needs and cultures of all students.

6. The program shall prepare candidates who are familiar with secondary school counseling and career readiness practices, assessment instruments and procedures, and assisting students in career development.
  7. The program shall prepare candidates who understand the value of Work Based Learning and can work collaboratively with the Work Based Learning Coordinator to assist in placement of students in their program area.
  8. The program shall prepare candidates who apply and integrate technology and computer skills in specific occupational areas and classroom instruction.
  9. The program shall prepare candidates who know and implement safety practices and procedures.
  10. The program shall prepare candidates who can facilitate Career Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs).
  11. The program shall prepare candidates who work with business, industry, and workforce stakeholders when establishing school/business partnerships and advisory committees.
- (d) The program shall prepare candidates who meet the Secondary (6-12) standards for the teaching of reading as specified in GaPSC Rule [505-3-.03 FOUNDATIONS OF READING, LITERACY, AND LANGUAGE](#) (paragraph (3) (e)).

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