



NEXT STEPS

1. Go to Lincolnu.edu to apply
2. Have all official transcripts sent to:
admissions@lincolnu.edu
3. Apply for the FAFSA
4. Have a letter of recommendation from an administrator confirming your years of service sent to: Dr. Ayanna Shivers at shiversa@lincolnu.edu
5. Check the Missouri Department of Secondary and Elementary and the Department of Higher Education websites if you would like to check for scholarships/grants.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

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PARA TO PRO

TEACHER
CERTIFICATION
PROGRAM



Martin Luther King Hall home of the School of Education

WHAT IT IS

PARA TO PRO is a program designed to help paraprofessionals, teacher assistants and full-time substitute teachers become certified. Ideally, it will serve as a way for school districts across Missouri and our nation, to have successful "GROW YOUR OWN" programs.

ELIGIBILITY

To Be Accepted Into the Cohort:

- Have a minimum of 60 credit hours to include required Gen. Eds.
- Have a minimum of a "C" in ENG 101; ENG 102 and PSY 101
- Be accepted into Lincoln University

For Certification :

- Have a minimum of "18" on the ACT; or pass the MOGEA by the end of the second semester of classes.
- Pass the MEGA/MOCA in your content area by the end of your fourth semester
- Pass the MEES
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 for graduation
- Pass a criminal background check

QUICK FACTS

WHO CAN APPLY

Paraprofessionals, teacher assistants, full-time substitute teachers who have a minimum of two years working in the classroom.

HOW TO APPLY

In order to apply, go to the Lincolnu.edu webpage and click on the "Apply" button. You will complete the application for admissions and have the ability to choose "Para to Pro" for the BSED in Elementary or a BSED in Special Education.

HOW CLASSES ARE OFFERED

PARA TO PRO courses are offered in an 8-week, online format. Classes are offered in the cohort model. Students will not be required to come to campus.