



Critical Academic Licensure Shortage Areas for the 2019-2020 School Year

In accordance with Arkansas Code § 6-15-2905, the State Board of Education has authority to annually declare critical academic shortage areas. As described in Arkansas Code Annotated §§ 6-81-608 and 609 (Incentives for Additional Licensure), and § 6-81-1601 through 1606 (Financial Incentives for Teaching in Shortage Areas), teachers in shortage areas may be entitled to financial incentives.

The Arkansas Department of Education has designated the following areas as critical academic shortage areas for the 2019-2020 school year.

Art (K-12)	Library/Media (K-12)
Agriculture (7-12)	Mathematics (7-12)
Chemistry (7-12)	Music (K-12)
Computer Science (4-12)	Physics (7-12)
English / Lang. Arts (7-12)	Spanish (K-12)
Fam & Cons Science (7-12)	Special Education (K-12)
French (K-12)	

Also under § 6-85-109 (Academic Challenge Scholarship – Priority for Teaching Commitment), there are financial incentives for teaching areas specifically listed in the law.

More information about these financial aid programs can be found at the Arkansas Department of Higher Education Financial Aid Office. Call [501.371.2000](tel:501.371.2000) or click on <http://scholarships.adhe.edu/>.