WAC 181-79A-257 Out-of-state candidates. Candidates for certification from other states who meet the general certificate requirements described in WAC 181-79A-150 (1) and (2) shall be eligible for Washington certificates as follows:

(1) Residency certificates. The residency certificate shall be issued by the superintendent of public instruction to any candidate who meets requirements for the residency certificate including testing requirements as described in RCW 28A.410.220, and who meets one of the following:

(a) Holds the appropriate degree and, if applicable, credit hours and/or licensing as set forth in this chapter, and has completed a state approved preparation program in the professional field for which the certificate is to be issued and such additional professional fields as required by WAC 181-79A-150(4). Such programs shall include a defined course of study and a supervised internship.

(b) Provided, That if a candidate for teacher, administrator or educational staff associate certification does not meet the qualifications described in (a) of this subsection, a residency certificate shall be issued to a candidate who:

(i) Holds an appropriate degree from an accredited college or university.

(ii) Holds or has held a certificate in the role, comparable to a residency certificate, issued by another state and has practiced at the P-12 level in the role outside the state of Washington for at least three years.

(c) Holds an appropriate degree from an accredited college or university and has practiced three years as an educational staff associate in that role in a state where such certificate was not required.

(d) Holds a valid Nationally Certified School Psychologist (NCSP) credential issued by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP); and applies for a residency educational staff associate school psychologist certificate.

(2) Professional certificate. After August 31, 2000, the professional certificate shall be issued to out-of-state candidates if the candidate meets requirements for the residency certificate including testing requirements as described in RCW 28A.410.220, meets the child abuse course work requirement as described in WAC 181-79A-206 (3)(b), and if one of the following conditions is met:

(a) The candidate has completed an advanced level certification procedure approved by the professional educator standards board as equivalent to the approved program procedure required in Washington; or

(b) The candidate holds a valid teaching certificate issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards; or

(c) The candidate holds a valid school counselor certificate issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards; or

(d) A Washington state college or university with an approved professional certificate program verifies that the candidate has met all the requirements of that institution's approved program. The college/university shall evaluate the candidate's background to determine whether or not course work or certification activities are equivalent to that college/university's approved program.

(3) As per RCW 18.340.020 out-of-state candidates who are military spouses shall receive expedited issuance of the appropriate certificate in accordance with this section.
Out-of-state candidates must meet the assessment requirements per chapters 181-01 and 181-02 WAC. Equivalent assessments will be published by the board.