

# Belize

## Awarding bodies

University of Belize, University of West Indies, Galen University, St. John's College School of Professional Studies, Sacred Heart Junior College, Corozal Junior College, Ecumenical Junior College

## Accrediting agencies

National Accreditation Council  
(being established)

## Key facts

Population: 0.256 million (CEP 2007)

Education expenditure: 5.2% of the GDP in 2002/3 (CEP 2007)

Primary enrolment: 99% (CEP 2007)

Secondary enrolment: 69% (CEP 2007)

Tertiary enrolment: 2% (CEP 2007)

Number of primary teachers: 2,917 in 2008

Number of secondary teachers: 1,216 in 2008 (self-reported)

Estimated number of un- and under-qualified teachers: 64% (primary)

Estimated number of foreign teachers: n/a

## Professional requirements for teaching

Minimum qualifications:  
Primary – Associate of Arts in Teaching;  
Secondary – Bachelor in Education

Teacher's licence (registration)

Code of conduct

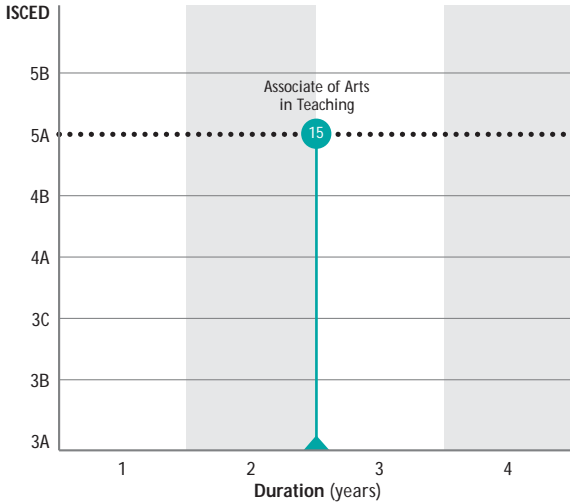
One year induction programme (non-compulsory, primary teachers only)

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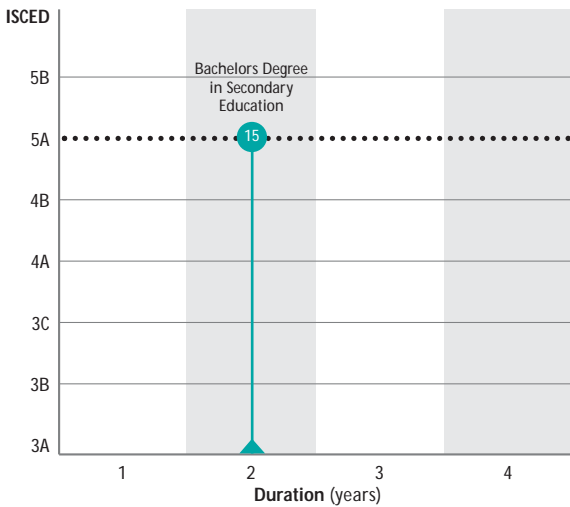
### Initial Primary Teaching Qualifications



**Notes**

- 1 Minimum standard for teaching at primary level: ISCED 5
- 2 The Associate of Arts in Teaching is 2.5 years in duration.
- 3 Pathway(s):
  - 3.1 Associate of Arts in Teaching (2.5, 15)

### Initial Secondary Teaching Qualifications



**Notes**

- 1 Minimum standard for teaching at upper secondary level: ISCED 5
- 2 Pathway(s):
  - 2.1 Bachelors Degree in Secondary Education (2, 15)