

# Sierra Leone

## Awarding bodies

Teachers colleges, polytechnics, Njala University, University of Sierra Leone

## Accrediting agencies

National Council for Technical, Vocational and other Academic Awards, Tertiary Education Commission, National Curriculum Research and Development Centre

## Key facts

Population: 4.97 million (CEP 2007)

Education expenditure: 3.7% of the GDP in 2001/2 (CEP 2007)

Primary enrolment: 1.3 million (World Bank 2007, percentage not available)

Secondary enrolment: 200,000 (World Bank 2007, percentage not available)

Tertiary enrolment: 2% (CEP 2007)

Number of primary teachers: 19,316 in 2008 (self-reported)

Number of secondary teachers: 5,580 in 2008 (self-reported)

Estimated number of un- and under-qualified teachers: 8,000 in 2008 (self-reported)

Estimated number of foreign teachers: n/a

## Professional requirements for teaching

Minimum qualification

Registration requirements under development

Code of conduct being incorporated

Criminal record screening takes place when there are complaints

CPD offered but not for certification and promotion

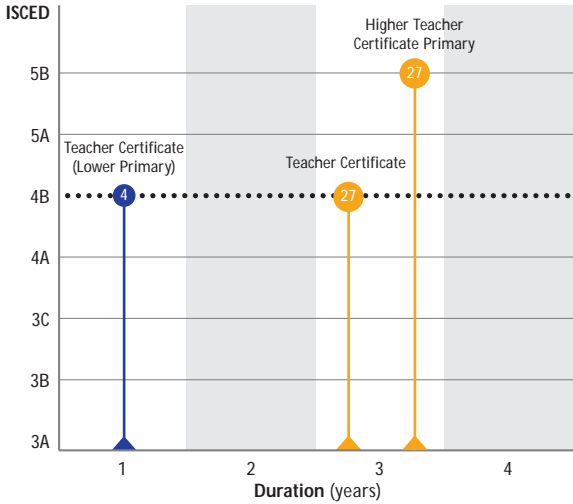
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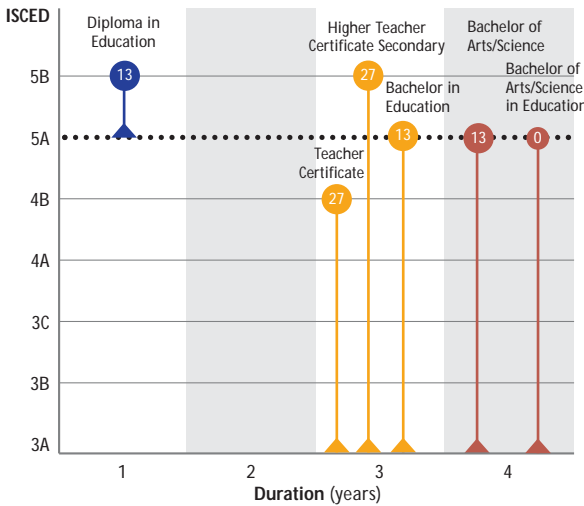
### Initial Primary Teaching Qualifications



**Notes**

- 1 Minimum standard for teaching at primary level: ISCED 4
- 2 Pathway(s):
  - 2.1 Teachers Certificate (Lower Primary) (1, 4)
  - 2.2 Teachers Certificate (3, 27)
  - 2.3 Higher Teachers Certificate Primary (3, 27)
  - 2.4 Teachers Certificate » Higher Teachers Certificate Primary (6, 54)

### Initial Secondary Teaching Qualifications



**Notes**

- 1 Minimum standard for teaching at upper secondary level: ISCED 5
- 2 Pathway(s):
  - 2.1 Teachers Certificate » Higher Teachers Certificate Secondary (6, 54)
  - 2.2 Higher Teachers Certificate Secondary (3, 27)
  - 2.3 Bachelor of Arts/Science » Diploma in Education (5, 26)
  - 2.4 Bachelor of Arts/Science in Education (4, 13)
  - 2.5 Bachelor in Education (3, 13)