

Teacher Certification/Post-Baccalaureate Alternative Program (non-degree)

Administrative Unit

Certification/Endorsement programs are administered by the School of Education. (Post-baccalaureate students who are preparing for educational certification/endorsement have all academic records in the Office of Graduate Studies and Research. Advising and all processing for certification are completed through the School of Education certification office.)

Objectives

To prepare students who desire teaching credentials in Texas and who already hold a bachelor's degree.

Admission Requirements

(1) Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution; (2) Cumulative GPA of at least 2.50 or a GPA of 2.75 on the last 60 hours of coursework; (3) Demonstrated oral communication proficiency; (4) Minimum of 12 semester hours in the subject-specific content for the certification sought or a passing score on a THEA-approved test of content knowledge; and (5) Satisfactory scores on the THEA or another TSI measure approved by the program. Program standards for the THEA are Reading 260, Writing 240, and Math 240.

Options

Elementary- Grades EC-6

Generalist; Bilingual Generalist; ESL Generalist

Middle Level- Grades 4-8

Generalist; Bilingual Generalist; ESL Generalist

Specialist: English Language Arts; Math; Science; Social Studies

Secondary Level- Grades 8-12

Business Education; Chemistry; Computer Science; English Language Arts and Reading; History; Journalism; Life Science (Biology); Math; Science; Social Studies; Speech

All Level- Grades EC-12

Art; Music; Physical Education; Spanish; Special Education

*Supplemental Certifications in Bilingual, ESL or Special Education may be added to any certification

Preparation Requirements

Professional Foundations (9 hours)

EDUC 6304 Educational Psychology or an equivalent course

EDSP 6340 Current Trends in Programs or an equivalent course

EDUC 4362 Foundations of Bilingual/ESL/Multicultural Education

Literacy and Pedagogy (6-12 hours, depending on the area of certification)

Courses will be specific to the certification being sought

Internship or Clinical Teaching (1 hour)