# Bachelor of Arts
## MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES
### GRADES 4-8 CERTIFICATION TRACK
#### Degree Map | 2020-2021

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<td><strong>Freshman</strong></td>
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<td>Enroll in Education section of UNIV 1101 Freshman Seminar.</td>
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<td>Complete at least 33 hours during your freshman year.</td>
<td>Meet with your Academic Advising Center Freshman Advisor before fall and spring registration.</td>
<td>• Participate in campus recreation</td>
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<td>Earn a C or better in all courses.</td>
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| **Sophomore**       |                   |                        |                  |
| Complete at least 31 hours during your sophomore year. | Meet with your Academic Advising Center Advisor before fall registration. | Prioritize Your Wellness | Build Your Brand |
| Complete all remaining general education core courses. | Meet with an Education Academic Advisor before spring registration. | • Enjoy outdoor spaces on campus Build Your Community | • Update your resume |
| Earn a C or better in all courses. | Verify course sequencing with the advisors. | • Join an organization (ex: Education Club or Kappa Delta Pi) Build Your Community | • Join LinkedIn |
| Maintain a GPA of 2.75 or better. | Register for classes as soon as you are able. | • Explore campus leadership (SGA, Orientation Leader, Resident Asst.) Explore Your World | • Craft Your Future |

| **Junior**         |                   |                        |                  |
| Complete at least 30 hours during your junior year. | Meet with the Education Academic Advisor and your Education Faculty Advisor each term. | Prioritize Your Wellness | Build Your Brand |
| Take first block of field-based courses. | Register for classes as soon as you are able. | • Attend a health fair Build Your Community | • Update your resume |
| Earn a C or better in all courses. |                   | • Run for organization officer role Build Your Community | • Ask professors about their research and experience as teachers |
| Maintain a GPA of 2.75 or better. |                   | • Apply to be a Falcon Ambassador Craft Your Future | • Complete the requirements for admission to the Teacher Certification Program. |

| **Senior**         |                   |                        |                  |
| Complete remaining hours for the degree during your senior year. | Meet with the Education Academic Advisor before registration. Select courses for on-time graduation. | Prioritize Your Wellness | Build Your Brand |
| Take second block of field-based courses. | Meet with your Education Faculty Advisor early in the fall to apply for student teaching. | • Attend financial literacy seminars Build Your Community | • Update your resume |
| Complete student teaching. | Apply for graduation early in the spring semester. Ask the Education Academic Advisor to complete your undergraduate degree check. | • Attend your ring ceremony | • Craft Your Future |
| Earn a C or better in all courses. |                   | • Join Alumni Association upon graduation | • Attend a Student Teacher Roundup early in the fall. |
| Maintain a GPA of 2.75 or better. |                   | Explore Your World | • Pass the Core Subjects, STR, and PPR TExES exams. |

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**UTPB students will graduate with these skills:**

- Empirical and Quantitative Skills
- Communication
- Planning and Organization
- Research
- Teamwork
- Critical Thinking

**Career opportunities:**

- Upper Elementary Teacher
- Middle School Teacher
- Educator for nonprofit organization

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# Bachelor of Arts in Multidisciplinary Studies - Program of Study

**Semester 1**  
- ENGL 1301 (Composition I)  
- HIST 1301 (U.S. History to 1877)  
- GEOL 1301/1101 (Physical Geology with lab)  
- COMM 1315 (Introduction to Public Speaking)  
- ARTS 1301 (Art Appreciation)  
- UNIV 1101 (Freshman Seminar)  

17 hours

**Semester 2**  
- ENGL 1302 (Composition II)  
- HIST 1302 (U.S. History since 1877)  
- BIOL 1306/1106 (Biology I with lab)  
- PSYC 1301 (Introduction to Psychology)  
- MATH 1314 (College Algebra)  

16 hours

**Semester 3**  
- PLSC 2305 (American National Politics)  
- MATH 1350 (Foundations of Elementary Math I)  
- ENGL 23xx (Language/Philosophy/Culture Core)  
- GEOL 1302, BIOL 1307, ASTR 1301 or CHEM 1311 (with lab)  
- PSYC 3341 or 3344 (Child Psych or Life-Span Psych)  

16 hours

**Semester 4**  
- PLSC 2306 (State and Local Politics)  
- MATH 2350 (Foundations of Elementary Math II)  
- EDUC 3352 (The Exceptional Child)  
- GEOG 1301 or GEOG 1303 or HIST 2321 or HIST 2322  
- Elective (Recommend MUSI 1306 Music Appreciation)  

15 hours

**Semester 5**  
- Fourth science course (lab optional)  
- EDUC 3322 (Literature in the Classroom)  
- EDUC 4362 (Foundations of Bilingualism/Multiculturalism)  
- Elective or Focus Area Course  
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15 hours

**Semester 6**  
- HIST 3350 (Texas History)  
- *EDUC 4321 (Classroom Instruction and Management)  
- *EDUC 4325 (Reading in the Middle Grades)  
- *EDUC 4374 (Teaching Math and Science: Grades 4-8)  
- Elective or Focus Area Course  

15 hours

**Semester 7**  
- *EDUC 4326 (Reading in the Content Areas)  
- *EDUC 4327 (Literacy Assessment and Intervention)  
- *EDUC 4375 (Teaching Language Arts & Social Studies)  
- Elective or Focus Area Course  
- Elective or Focus Area Course  

15 hours

**Semester 8**  
- **EDUC 4099 (Seminar: Student Teaching)**  
- **EDUC 4681 (Student Teaching)**  
- Elective or Focus Area Course  
- Elective or Focus Area Course  

12 hours

*Students must apply for admission and be accepted to the Teacher Certification Program prior to enrolling in these courses.

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The above are suggested guidelines for a timely degree completion. Students must meet with an advisor every semester, as course availability does change. Students preferring a lighter course load or a faster degree completion may take courses in the summer terms. However, not all courses are offered in the summer.