

Minimum required: 120 semester credit hours

Admission Requirements

1. All students pursuing teacher certification must apply and be accepted to the Office of Educator Preparation (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/education/office-of-educator-preparation/>).

General Requirements

1. To satisfy graduation requirements for teacher certification, students must have an Overall GPA of at least 2.75, as well as grades of "C" or better in all courses within the Major(s), Teaching Field(s), Certification area(s), and/or in the Education Minor.
2. Students entering Texas State with fewer than 16 hours completed after high school graduation will be required to take US 1100. All others will be exempt from taking this course but will be required to earn an additional free elective, if needed, to reach the 120 minimum total hour requirement for the awarding of a degree.
3. Any degree program of 122 hours or more may be considered a five-year program. To complete the predetermined sequence of courses in 4 years, students will most likely need to attend summer sessions.
4. The general education core curriculum courses are listed in the degree plan below along with the statewide component code number. See the General Education Core Curriculum (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-education-core-curriculum/>) section of this catalog for the Texas State requirements and options in the core curriculum, including Honors courses.
5. The Texas Education Agency (TEA) requires multiple background checks for progression through the Educator Preparation Program. Based on information recorded in your criminal history, you may be ineligible for issuance of a teaching certificate upon completion of the Educator Preparation Program. If you have a criminal history, you may obtain a Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation from TEA. For more information, go to: https://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Investigations/Preliminary_Criminal_History_Evaluation-FAQs/.

Course Requirements

Freshman		
First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	
US 1100	1 MATH 1315 (Mathematics Component Code 020 [TCCN MATH 1314])	3
ART 2313, DAN 2313, MU 2313, or TH 2313 (Creative Arts Component Code 050 [TCCN HUMA 1315])	3 ENG 1320 (Communication Component Code 010 [TCCN ENGL 1302])	3
ENG 1310 (Communication Component Code 010 [TCCN ENGL 1301])	3 POSI 2320 (Government/Political Science Component Code 070 [TCCN GOVT 2305])	3
POSI 2310 (Government/Political Science Component Code 070 [TCCN GOVT 2306])	3 COMM 1310 (Component Area Option Code 090/091 [TCCN SPCH 1315])	3

PHYS 1365 (Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030 [TCCN PHYS 1310])	3 GS 2310 (Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030)	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences Component Code 080	3	
16		15

Sophomore

First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	
MATH 2311 (TCCN MATH 1350)	3 MATH 2312 (TCCN MATH 1351)	3
MATH 2321 (TCCN MATH 2313) ¹	3 American History Component Code 060	3
American History Component Code 060	3 ENG Literature (Component Area Option Code 090/094) [TCCN ENGL 2322, 2323, 2332, 2333, 2327 or 2328]	3
PHIL 1305 or 1320 (Language, Philosophy, and Culture Component Code 040 [TCCN PHIL 1301 or 2306])	3 ENG 3386 ¹	3
ENG 3319	3 HIST 3372	3
15		15

Junior

First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	
MATH 3315	3 Education Core:	6
BIO 4402	4 CI 3325	
Advanced level GEO, HIST, POSI, ECO, SOCI or ANTH	3 CI 2310 or 2311	
CHEM 1310 (TCCN CHEM 1305) ¹	3 MATH 2328 (TCCN MATH 1342)	3
PHYS 1340 or 1350 (TCCN ASTR 1304 or 1303)	3 RDG 3312	3
	Choose 1 course from the following:	3
	CI 2355	
	CI 4355	
	BIO 4408	
	BIO 4403	4
16		19

Senior

First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	
Middle School Field-Based Block:	6 EDST 4680	6
RDG 4310		
CI 3300		
CI 3340	3	
MATH 4302	3	
GEO 4340	3	
SPED 4344	3	
18		6

Total Hours: 120

¹ While not recommended, previously completed courses in some areas can be substituted for the following degree requirements.

- BIO 1330 can satisfy the BIO 1320 requirement.
- CHEM 1341 or CHEM 1342 can satisfy the CHEM 1310 requirement.
- MATH 2471 can satisfy the MATH 2321 requirement.
- ENG 3385 can satisfy the ENG 3386 requirement.