Minimum required: 121 semester credit hours

Admission Requirements

Declaration into the degree program requires documentation of two years of service as an instructional aide (otherwise known as paraprofessional or teacher's assistant) in a PK-12 public or accredited private school. Degree progress will require continued employment as an instructional aide and admittance to the Educator Preparation Program (see those separate criteria here (https://www.education.txst.edu/oep/current/initial-certification/admittance/eligibility.html)).

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. 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.

4. 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 1312, 1315, or 1319 (Mathematics Component Code 020 [TCCN MATH 1342, MATH 1314 or 1324])	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 2305])	3	GS 2310 or PHYS 1365 (Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030)	3
PHYS 1365 or GS 2310 (Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030)	3	COMM 1310 (Component Area Option Code 090/091 [TCCN SPCH 1311])	3
GEO 1310 or ANTH 1312 (Social and Behavioral Sciences Component Code 080 [TCCN GEOG 1303])	3		
	16		**15**

Sophomore

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
SPED 2360	3	Education Core:	6

PHIL 1305 or 1320 (Language, Philosophy, and Culture Component Code 040 [TCCN PHIL 1301 or 2306])	3	CI 3325			
MATH 2311 (TCCN MATH 1350)	3	CI 4332			
GS 3310	3	MATH 2312 (TCCN MATH 1351)	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		
	15		**15**		

CI 4325					
SPED 4389		3			
		12		**6**	

Total Hours: 121

[1] While not recommended, previously completed courses in some areas can be substituted for the following degree requirements:
- MATH 2321 or MATH 2417 or MATH 2471 with a grade of "C" or better can satisfy the MATH 1315 or MATH 1319 requirement.
- BIO 1321 or BIO 1330 or BIO 1331 with a grade of "C" or better can satisfy the BIO 1320 requirement.

Junior

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours	Summer	Hours
ESL Block:	6	High School Field-Based Block:	9	CI 4350	3
CI 3332		RDG 3323			
CI 4360		CI 4370			
SPED 4345	3	CI 4372			
SPED 4340	3	SPED 3390	3		
SPED 3338	3	SPED 4374	3		
CI 4355	3	SPED 4381	3		
		CI 3338	3		
	18		**21**		**3**

Senior

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
Elementary Field-Based Block:	9	Student Teaching:	6
RDG 3315		EDST 4380	
RDG 3321		EDST 4381	