

# Teacher Certification Course Catalog



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Alternative certification program

100% Online  
Coursework

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Dear prospective teacher,

Congratulations on your decision to pursue a teaching career. I founded iteachTEXAS in 2003 with the goal to help talented individuals become teachers while eliminating some of the traditional barriers to the classroom. iteachTEXAS quickly grew to be one of the largest educator preparation program in Texas and led to the launch of iteachU.S., which replicates the proven model we first piloted in Texas. Today, iteachU.S. is an educator preparation program that has earned state-specific approval in Texas, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Hawaii, and we are continuing to grow while maintaining the highest standards of professionalism and academic rigor in each state where we operate.



Our commitment to excellence is reflected in iteachU.S. being the first and only teacher preparation program that is not affiliated with a college or university to be accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). While all teacher certification programs in a state, including ours, must be approved by the state to offer teacher certification, NCATE is an optional accreditation that reflects a program's adherence to the highest standards of training and professional mentorship for new teachers.

As in any career, the insight and support of a mentor is invaluable. This is why iteachU.S. employs experienced former teachers, principals, and superintendents to provide guidance and support during your first year in the classroom. We also work closely with school districts and charter schools to understand the needs of each community and provide a supportive network for you while you grow as an educator.

Because we believe that experience matters, iteachU.S. conducts research about our candidate's success and continuation in the field of teaching after they complete our program. We are proud to report that for teachers employed in Texas public schools, iteachU.S. has a three-year retention rate of 82.8%. This is in addition to numerous iteachU.S. candidates who have earned accolades as teacher of the year and other awards for their professional accomplishments as educators.

As a teacher, you will face the profound responsibility of helping your students to learn, grow, and prepare for the rest of their lives. Recent research indicates that a teacher has more influence on a child's learning than any other school-related factor. An exceptional teacher can make a lasting difference in the lives of his or her students. If you are committed to this goal, we will give you the tools and support you need to attain it.

Every child deserves the opportunity to learn from a great teacher. We at iteachU.S. seek to prepare men and women who will respond to this pressing need with enthusiasm, creativity, and dedication. Thank you for choosing iteachU.S. as your guide on this journey.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Diann Huber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Diann Huber, Ed.D.  
Founder and President

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## **Program Overview**

iteachTEXAS is a private alternative teacher certification program based on distance learning that recommends successful candidates for the Standard teaching certificate in Texas.

Successful completion of the iteachTEXAS program includes:

- a) Successfully complete and fulfill all requirements of the instructional coursework with completion of the seven instructional courses, EDTC 5000-EDTC5600, within six months of being accepted into the program, and
- b) Obtain a field experience placement, either a paid full-time two semester internship or an unpaid 12-week clinical teaching practicum, in an identified content area within two school years of the date of acknowledging the Letter of Agreement.
- c) Once a field experience placement is obtained, the PPR test must be completed by the end of the field experience placement.

# Admissions Requirements

- > You must meet requirements for a certification area in addition to meeting the basic admissions requirements.
- > You must have a personal e-mail account and access to a personal (not school) computer.
- > You must add iteachtexas.com to your contacts list.

## **Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education as required by Texas Education Agency and the Texas Administration Code**

- You may view all regionally accredited institutions at the United States on the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) website.
- You may also view a listing of some, but not all, non-accredited colleges and universities that would not be accepted by iteachTEXAS.

## **Minimum 2.50 grade point average, which will be determined in one of the following ways**

- Minimum 2.50 GPA (your undergraduate GPA as posted on conferred degree transcript), or
- Minimum 2.50 GPA in last 60 hours
- Your graduating GPA must be calculated and posted by the university on your official transcripts. If your transcript does not reflect a graduation GPA, you will need to contact your college's Registrar office to have a letter typed on University letterhead that includes your GPA sent in with your official transcripts.

## **Competency in reading, writing and math must be demonstrated at the time of application. This will be determined in one of the following ways:**

- Satisfied the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirement by having a conferred degree, or
- Passing score on the TASP/THEA (Reading - 230, Math - 230, Writing - 220), or
- ACT (English - 23, Math - 21), or
- SAT (Verbal - 500, Math - 450)

## **Identification of Content Area. This will be determined in one of the following ways:**

- Conferred degree in a specific content area (see Certification Areas), or
- TExES content test passed, or
- 12 hours in identified content areas of English, math, science, and social studies for EC-12 Special Education content area



**You must demonstrate professionalism during your prescreening intruVIEW and in all written correspondence and oral communication with iteachTEXAS.**

**Are you currently enrolled in college?**

If you are in the last semester of coursework toward a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education as required by Texas Education Agency and the Texas Administration Code, and you currently meet the identified admission requirements, then you may be eligible for admission on a contingency basis.

- Spring graduates may apply January 1 - May 1
- Summer graduates may apply June 1 - August 1
- Fall graduates may apply September 1 - December 1

To qualify for contingency admittance, the following documentation must be provided by the above deadlines:

- Copy of final semester schedule of classes
- Letter of completion from academic advisor
- Official transcripts through previous semester.

Once you are accepted as a contingency candidate in the educator preparation program, you are eligible to test and begin your coursework. Contingent candidates who seek standard admissions must meet all general admissions requirements and must provide an official transcript reflecting a conferred degree prior to receiving an iteachTEXAS Statement of Eligibility.

**Did you graduate outside the U.S.?**

Graduates from a university outside of the United States or U.S. territories must:

- Provide proof of oral English language proficiency by having a score of 79 or higher on the Internet based Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL iBT) test.
- Provide competency in reading, writing and mathematics through the THEA/TASP, ACT, SAT or GRE. (Please view required scores above.)
- Provide Verification of Work Authorization Status: If not a U.S. citizen, verification of lawful permanent residence and a copy of current Green Card must be provided at the time of application with at least 3 years of employment eligibility.
- An original Foreign Credential Review from an approved agency must be provided if you graduated from a university outside the United States. iteachTEXAS can not accept transcripts from a foreign university.

**Statement of Diversity**

iteachU.S. is committed to preparing an educator workforce that reflects the diversity of students in classrooms across the nation, and to drawing talent from all communities in order to provide the best and brightest educators to America's children. iteachU.S. has a history of accepting, training and certifying diverse educator cohorts. We promise to uphold this tradition by not discriminating against any prospective candidate on the basis of race, ethnicity, age, disability, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic background, or religion.

## Continuous Enrollment

- > No arbitrary deadline for enrollment
- > Upon acceptance, immediate enrollment in instructional coursework

Once accepted into the iteachTEXAS program, you have two full school years in which to complete all certification requirements, including the field experience.

Once you obtain a field experience position, you must complete all program certification requirements by the end of the field experience. The following timeline provides an overview of how an individual progresses through the teacher certification program. (This is an ideal scenario and may not hold true for each candidate depending on individual circumstances.)

### 1 Submit a completed application packet

- Complete the application online.
- Pay the evaluation fee of \$50.00 by credit card at time of your online application or by check/money order mailed to iteachTEXAS with a complete downloaded paper application.
- The evaluation fee is a non-refundable fee.
- Mail official transcripts with conferred degree date to:  
iteachTEXAS  
P.O. Box 1626  
Denton, Texas 76202  
or send official electronic transcripts via SCRIP-SAFE to [admin@iteach.net](mailto:admin@iteach.net).
- Receive access to the instructNET instructional platform to track your application status.
- Complete intrueVIEW, an online screening interview, on the instructNET learning platform.
- Applications are retained for six months. If you do not submit your complete packet within six months, the application is destroyed to ensure the security of your personal information.

# Timeline

### 2 Evaluation

- Receive notification of your program status via e-mail.
- Upon acceptance into the program, you gain online access to the Letter of Agreement (LOA).
- Completed application packets are retained for six months. If you do not acknowledge the Letter of Agreement and/or pay the non-refundable access fee of \$375 within six months, your packet is destroyed to ensure the security of your personal information.

### 3 Program Acceptance

- Within a week from the time you acknowledge the Letter of Agreement and pay the non-refundable access fee of \$375, you will receive:
  - An official Letter of Acceptance.
  - Instructions to establish a personal account with the Texas Education Agency (TEA), apply for a Probationary Certificate and submit fingerprints.
  - Access to the instructional courses; the six-month time frame for completion will begin on this date.
  - Access to content area certification testing.
- Once accepted into the program, you have two full school years in which to complete all certification requirements including the field experience. Once you begin your field experience position, you must complete all program requirements by the end of your field experience.

## 4 Instructional Courses

- You gain access to the instructional courses once your Letter of Agreement and non-refundable access fee of \$375 are received by iteachTEXAS. Your six-month timeline will begin on the date you are enrolled in EDTC 5000.
- The seven courses, EDTC 5000 – EDTC 5600, are self-paced, although progress is required during a six-month time frame.
- You are permitted to progress from one course to the next course at a rate no faster than one course per 10 days after enrollment into EDTC 5100.
- If you do not complete the final instructional course, EDTC 5600, within six months from being enrolled EDTC 5000, you may request permission to continue in the courses for a three-month period with the payment of the instructional renewal fee.

## 5 Certification Test(s)

- You are eligible to test in any content area. However, iteachTEXAS encourages you to select TExES content area tests based on your educational background, i.e. choose tests over subjects in which you have taken significant college hours, to ensure the best probability of passing the test.
- If you are seeking special education certification, you will need to pass a specific content area test, i.e., EC-6 Generalist or 4-8 Generalist to indicate content mastery of a core content area.
- You take the TExES Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities test (PPR) only after you:
  - Pass the appropriate content test (and Bilingual Target Language Proficiency Test [BTLPT] and Bilingual Supplement Test if applicable)
  - Complete the instructional courses, EDTC 5000-5600
  - Obtain a field experience position or pay the instructional fee in full

## 6 Field Experience

- You may begin securing a field experience position as soon as you are accepted into the iteachTEXAS program and fulfill the initial requirements of:
  - 30 hours of observation
  - Completion of 80 hours of instruction (EDTC 5000 and EDTC 5100)

- Content test passed or proof of highly qualified status based on 24 hours in a content area with 12 of those hours completed in upper-level courses
- Completed payment plan form
- Once you have fulfilled the initial requirements listed above, you will receive a Statement of Eligibility. You provide this form to school districts for verification of eligibility for field experience. Once you obtain a field experience placement, you must complete all of the program requirements by the end of your field experience.
- You are enrolled in a field experience course, Field Experience – The Classroom Teaching Experience, when you begin your field experience.
- If hired, you are recommended by iteachTEXAS for a Probationary Certificate. You cannot be recommended for a Probationary Certificate until you have demonstrated content mastery either through college hours or testing.
- You are assigned a field supervisor for your field experience.

## 7 Recommended for Certification

You are recommended for a Standard Certificate after successfully fulfilling the following program requirements:

- Completing the instructional courses
- Passing the required certification tests: a content test or tests (and Bilingual Target Language Proficiency Test [BTLPT] and Bilingual Supplement Test if applicable), and the Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities test (PPR)
- Completing the field experience with recommendation from field supervisor and campus administrator
- Submitting required reflections in Field Experience – The Classroom Teaching Experience
- Paying all program fees
- Submitting the evaluation exit survey

## Web-based Instruction

- > Instruction on your time schedule
- > Direct online interaction with instructor
- > No required onsite meetings

# Syllabus

## Course Description Overview

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## Requirements

You must have access to a personal computer that has Microsoft Word. Many schools and public libraries have Internet filters in place that will not allow the viewing of downloads from the Internet. Additionally, it is your responsibility to frequently review the program announcements on the instructNET platform.





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*Teaching is the profession  
that teaches all the other  
professions.*”

## Courses

- > **EDTC 5000** - Overview of The Road to Certification
- > **EDTC 5100** - First Year Teaching and Best Practice
- > **EDTC 5200** - Educational Pedagogy and Stages of Learning
- > **EDTC 5300** - Planning Instruction and Assessment
- > **EDTC 5400** - Best Practice and Classroom Environment
- > **EDTC 5500** - Literacy for All
- > **EDTC 5600** - Special Education/Multiculturalism/ Diversity

## Review

- > **EDTC 5800** - Comprehensive Review

## Field Experience Courses

- > Field Experience – The Classroom Teaching Experience
- > Content Specific Course

## Pace

While the iteachTEXAS coursework is self-paced, the seven instructional courses, EDTC 5000-EDTC 5600, are designed to be completed within a six-month time span. After completion of EDTC 5000, you are progressed

no faster than one instructional course per 10 days. Each of the instructional courses is equivalent to a three-hour course. Access to the comprehensive review course, which is not included in the six month timeline, will not be granted until you have completed the instructional coursework, passed your content certification test, and secured a field experience position or paid the instructional fee in full.

## Electives

An additional elective course is available if you wish to increase your marketability. EDTC 5901, Teaching the English Language Learner, is designed to help teachers effectively meet the needs of students whose primary language is not English.

## Course Objectives

While each course has its own objective(s) for the teacher candidate, the following overall objectives of the course material ensure that each candidate possesses the identified teacher dispositions on which iteachU.S. was founded:

- Instill belief that all students can learn based upon the stages of human development
- Develop respect for individual differences to ensure a democratic classroom environment
- Foster commitment to inquiry, self-reflection, and assessment
- Promote intellectual curiosity and enthusiasm about learning based upon the importance of literacy
- Examine openness to new ideas in behavioral management
- Value positive interactions
- Perform all practices responsibly and ethically
- Value diversity of students and peers



“ Good teaching is more a giving of right questions than a giving of right answers. ”

—Josef Albers

## Observational Videos

- > Extensive selection of authentic classroom videos

### Observational Videos

A library of observational videos is available to our candidates throughout enrollment in the iteachTEXAS program. You may search these videos by content-specific, grade-specific, and topic-specific criteria. To supplement the actual teaching of the topics, each video includes research-based articles, specific questions and a reflection prompt. You may use these videos to fulfill a portion of the required field experience observation hours.

### Assignments

Each iteachTEXAS online course contains required assignments that will appear in various forms, such as research, reflection, essay and even completion of school and state procedures. Every candidate in the iteach program holds at least a bachelor's degree, and several hold master's and doctoral degrees. It is vital to the successful completion of the program that all work be of the caliber required for graduate level coursework. Any assignment not meeting the program's high standards will be returned for review and resubmission.

Many of the course instructors are also classroom teachers. The course instructors work diligently to grade your assignments, and assignments will be graded within three to four business days. Once the requirements for a specific course are complete, you will be advanced to the next course at the appropriate time. While you wait to be advanced, please spend some time to reflect and conduct independent research on each course's curriculum.

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## Grading

All assignments will be graded on a 1, 2, 3 scale. The rubric for the grading scale is as follows:

1 Unacceptable	2 Acceptable	3 Target
Candidate does not model correct language usage.  (1) Pervasive written communication errors are present.  (2) Thoughts are poorly organized.	Candidate models effective written communication skills.  (1) A few written communication errors may be present but they do not interfere with meaning.  (2) Thoughts are organized.	Candidate models excellent written communication skills.  (1) No written communication errors.  (2) Thoughts are presented in a well-organized, detailed manner.
Candidate rarely and inappropriately or superficially demonstrates knowledge of assignment material  Candidate does not fulfill the required elements for the assignment.	Candidate usually and adequately demonstrates knowledge of assignment material.	Candidate consistently and thoroughly demonstrates knowledge mastery of assignment material.

## Examinations

In addition to graded assignments, computer-graded assessments are administered throughout each course. You must successfully complete each assessment with a grade of 75 or higher prior to being recommended for certification.

## Feedback

An instructor will monitor your participation in each iteachTEXAS course. The course instructor will be a master teacher who will not only read and evaluate your assignments but also provide prompt feedback should you have a question regarding the course curriculum.

## Text Resources

There are two books that are considered “must-haves” for all new teachers. The first book is:

Wong, H.K. & Wong, R.T. (2009) *The First Days of School: How to Be an Effective Teacher*. (4th ed.) Mountain View, CA: Harry K. Wong Publications, Inc.

This book is the compilation of a myriad of ideas and techniques that have been shared with the Wongs by a legion of educators, and it can be purchased in paperback at your local bookstore. Similar to an automobile owner’s manual, this book is a quick read, and it allows you to turn to the right section to solve a problem. You must take a little time and read this delightful, informative book before beginning EDTC 5400.

The second book is:

Canter, L. & Canter, M. (2001). *Assertive Discipline: Positive Behavior Management for Today’s Classroom*. Bloomington, IN: Solution Tree Press.

Any edition is acceptable. As stated in this book, “The whole purpose of keeping behavior problems in the classroom to a minimum is to create for students an environment conducive to creativity and learning.” This book will help you have such a classroom.

If your background in reading and literacy is limited, you are encouraged to purchase a book on this subject to increase your knowledge. Either of the following books would be an excellent selection:

Reutzel, D.R. & Cooter, Jr., R.B. (2012). *Teaching Children to Read, The Teacher Makes the Difference* (6<sup>th</sup> ed.). Boston, MA: Allyn & Bacon.

Huack, C.S., Helper, S., & Hickman, J. (2004) *Children’s Literature in the Elementary School* (8th ed.). New York, NY: McGraw Hill.

It is recommended that you begin building your personal library of educational resources. Therefore, at appropriate times in the courses, various books and resources that are considered worthy of purchase will be recommended. Additionally, many articles will be provided via Internet links.

## Accommodations

If you have a disability for which you require accommodations, please let iteachTEXAS know. iteachTEXAS will be glad to work with you to find an appropriate accommodation.

# Program Fees

> 10% upfront, 90% deferred

**Total Cost of Program . . . . . \$4,250.00**

(All program fees are non-refundable)

This is the anticipated cost for a candidate who completes all iteachTEXAS program requirements according to the program timeline. The total cost is broken down into the following fees:

**Evaluation Fee . . . . . \$50.00**  
**Program Access Fee (10% down) . . . . . \$375.00**

- Due prior to beginning online instruction

**Online Course Instruction Participation . . . . . \$2,800.00**

- You are responsible for this fee of \$400 associated with each instructional course in which you are enrolled.
- The fee may be paid as courses are completed, or the fee may be deferred until you begin field experience.

**Field Experience Fee. . . . . \$1,025.00**

**Non Texas Field Experience Fee (NTFE). . . . . \$1,000.00**

## Payment Options

You have the following options for payment of fees:

- Sign a Personal Payment Plan indicating payments that will be made monthly, over the duration of the Field Experience, once the Field Experience begins. Monthly payments are made directly to iteachTEXAS.
- Pay for the instruction as you are participating in the course work and then pay for Field Experience while in the Field Experience.

## Renewal Fees

**Instructional Renewal. . . . . \$300.00**

If you do not complete the seven instructional courses within the six-month time frame, you must pay an instructional renewal fee. If continuation is approved, you will be given three months to complete your coursework.

**Program Renewal Fee. . . . . \$2,200.00**

If you do not complete the program requirements by the end of your field experience, you must apply for a continuation. If the continuation is approved, you must pay a program renewal fee to be eligible to participate in a second field experience.

## Testing

**TExES (cost per examination) . . . . . \$120.00**

You must pass at least two certification tests (content area and PPR) prior to being recommended to the state for certification.

Examination fees are payable to Education Testing Service.

## Certification Fees, Payable to SBEC

**Probationary Certificate Fee. . . . . \$52.00**

**Standard Certificate Fee. . . . . \$77.00**

**Fingerprinting. . . . . \$47.00**

# Certification Testing

The State Board for Educator Certification requires that each candidate for teacher certification takes and passes a minimum of two certification tests.

One test is in the specific content area and the other test is in educational pedagogy and professional responsibilities (PPR). Additionally, Bilingual Generalist are required to take the BTLPT and EC-12 Bilingual exams.

Research has shown that individuals taking only one certification test during a test administration have a higher pass rate than individuals taking two tests on an administration date. Therefore, we suggest that you take only one test on a single administration date.

Passing a content area test indicates to school districts that you are highly qualified under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB). The only way to be highly qualified in the content areas of EC-6 Generalist or 4-8 Generalist is to take and pass the content area test.

You are encouraged to be flexible and open to additional content areas, such as the 4-8 Generalist area. Also, in today's economy, you must make yourself as marketable as possible; iteachTEXAS encourages you to test in more than one content area if you have significant content knowledge pertaining to more than one content test. You must demonstrate content mastery to be eligible for hire.

Limited guidelines have been issued by the state and the Department of Education regarding the highly qualified requirements of special education. Therefore, if you are seeking Special Education certification, you should plan to take the EC-6 Generalist or the 4-8 Generalist content test.

Approval to take the Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities (PPR) test is not released until you have successfully completed the seven instructional courses, passed your content area test, completed the comprehensive review course and obtained a field experience position or paid the instructional fee.

Study guides for the tests are available at [www.texas.ets.org](http://www.texas.ets.org).

## Choice of Testing Methods

The majority of the certification tests are offered as computer-assisted tests (CAT) several times a year; however, some tests are only available as paper-based tests (PBT) and are available twice a year. For a complete listing of all tests, please visit [www.texas.ets.org](http://www.texas.ets.org).



# Field Experience

It is the mission of the iteachTEXAS program to meet the needs of individuals who have a desire to become highly effective teachers while also meeting the needs of school districts to obtain highly qualified teachers.

The field experience is an important time in the life of a teacher. It is critical, challenging and rewarding to all involved, as it is a time of great professional growth. This experience typically has a lasting effect upon a teacher's outlook toward teaching and therefore greatly affects future generations of students.

A field experience may be approved once 30 hours of field-based observation have been logged, and 80 hours of training completed (EDTC 5000 and 5100) and content mastery demonstrated by either having a major in the content or passing the content test.

## Close Relationships with School Districts

- > Job placements may be obtained in any school district or Texas Education Agency (TEA) recognized private school
- > Districts can search our database to find teachers
- > Customized instructional coursework for school districts



iteachTEXAS offers two routes for completion of the field experience:

### Option 1

#### Internship

On this route, you will complete a one-year (two semester) paid internship during which time you are employed full time as a teacher in the field of your content area. In this position, you receive the salary and benefits of a first-year teacher. A long-term substitute position does not fulfill this requirement.

You must secure your own internship position through the district application/interview process. Currently, there is not a shortage of EC-6 Generalist teachers. Since it is most difficult to obtain an EC-6 teaching position, candidates are encouraged to be flexible and open to additional content areas, such as the 4-8 Generalist area. Also, in today's economy, you must make yourself as marketable as possible; iteachTEXAS encourages you to test in more than one content area if you have significant content knowledge pertaining to more than one content test.

Prior to interviewing, you should accomplish 30 hours of observation, complete 80 hours of instruction, and take and pass your content certification tests.

Once you obtain an internship, you will be enrolled in the field experience course, Field Experience: The Classroom Teaching Experience. This course provides detailed information for the newly hired teacher. You will be required to submit self-reflections and classroom reflections during your Internship.

## Standard Certification in Six Months

- > Receive your Standard Certificate in half the time of other certification programs by taking advantage of our clinical teaching option. After only one semester, you could be issued your Standard teaching Certificate.

### Option 2

#### Clinical Teaching

iteachTEXAS offers a 12-week, five day-a-week, full day clinical teaching option. Our statewide program, which has limited enrollment period in the fall and spring semester, is designed to provide a placement based on content areas in which you have demonstrated mastery. Once your content area certification test is passed and instructional course work completed, you are eligible to participate in a clinical teaching placement in a public school. You must understand that during the clinical teaching time you are under the direction of the classroom cooperating teacher. Failure to follow the directions and guidance of the cooperating teacher will result in release from the program.

Your clinical teaching placement will meet the following requirements:

- The placement school must be a public school.
- Placement is in a content area where you have demonstrated mastery. You must pass your content area test prior to placement.
- You must pay \$1000 of program fees at the time of your application to the clinical teaching program
- You must have completed 30 hours of observation and EDTC 5000 and 5100 at the time of your application.

During placement, your cooperating teacher:

- Is certified in the state of Texas
- Has been teaching for a minimum of three years

### Supervision During Field Experience

During the field experience placement you will be assigned a field supervisor who will make periodic classroom visits and work closely with the campus administration to ensure a successful teaching experience for you. Also, by state mandate, each school district must provide an on-campus mentor for the beginning classroom teacher. Often the first-year intern is expected to pay the school district for the mentor teacher, typically via a personal payment plan. As costs and arrangements may vary from district to district, we recommend asking your hiring school district for its policy for mentor teachers.

### Extensive Classroom Support

- > Experienced field supervisors
- > Observations throughout the field experience

# Certification Areas

## Multiple Certification Areas

Once formally accepted, test approval can be granted in multiple content areas to expand your marketability

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the following content areas. View the content areas from the list below to view specific requirements and the subjects that can be taught by the specific certification.

### EC-6 Bilingual Generalist

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-6 Bilingual Generalist content area. With this certification, you may teach English, math, science, social studies, music, art and physical education in a bilingual classroom at the elementary level, early childhood through sixth grade.

#### Requirements:

EC-6 Generalist test passed, Bilingual Supplemental passed and Bilingual Target Language for Oral Proficiency passed

### EC-6 Generalist

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-6 Generalist content area. With this certification, you may teach English, math, science, social studies, music, art and physical education at the elementary level, early childhood through sixth grade. Currently, there is not a shortage of EC-6 Generalist teachers. (Since it is most difficult to obtain an EC-6 teaching position, we encourage you to be flexible and open to additional content areas, such as the 4-8 Generalist area.)

#### Requirements:

EC-6 Generalist test passed

### EC-6 Generalist ESL

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-6 Generalist ESL (English as a Second Language) content area. With this certification, you may teach English, math, science, social studies, music, art and physical education in an ESL setting as defined by the hiring district at the elementary level, early childhood through sixth grade.

#### Requirements:

EC-6 Generalist and ESL test passed

### 4-8 Bilingual Generalist

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Bilingual Generalist content area. With this certification, you may teach any one or a combination of English, math, science and/or social studies classes in a bilingual classroom at the middle school level, fourth grade through eighth grade.

#### Requirements:

4-8 Generalist test, Bilingual Supplemental and Bilingual Target Language for Oral Proficiency passed

### 4-8 Generalist

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Generalist content area. With this certification, you may teach any one or a combination of English, math, science and/or social studies classes at the middle school level, fourth grade through eighth grade.

#### Requirements

4-8 Generalist test passed

#### 4-8 Generalist ESL

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Generalist ESL (English as a Second Language) content area. With this certification, you may teach any one or a combination of English, math, science and/or social studies classes in an ESL setting as defined by the hiring district at the middle school level, fourth grade through eighth grade.

**Requirements:**

4-8 Generalist test passed and ESL test passed

#### 4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading content area. With this certification, you may teach English language arts and reading at the seventh and eighth grade level.

**Requirements:**

ELAR test passed

#### 4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading/Social Studies

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading/Social Studies content area. With this certification, you may teach both social studies and English language arts at the seventh and eighth grade level.

**Requirements:**

Content 4-8 ELAR/Social Studies passed

#### 4-8 Mathematics

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Mathematics/Science content area. With this certification, you may teach both math and science at the seventh and eighth grade level.

**Requirements:**

4-8 Math/Science test passed

#### 4-8 Mathematics/Science

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Mathematics/Science content area. With this certification, you may teach both math and science at the seventh and eighth grade level.

**Requirements:**

4-8 Math/Science test passed

#### 4-8 Science

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Science content area. With this certification, you may teach science at the seventh and eighth grade level.

**Requirements:**

4-8 Science test passed

#### 4-8 Social Studies

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Social Studies content area. With this certification, you may teach social studies at the seventh and eighth grade level.

**Requirements:**

4-8 Social Studies test passed

#### 6-12 Agricultural Sciences and Technology

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Agricultural Sciences and Technology content area.

**Requirements:**

Degree in animal science or agriculture science from an accredited institution or 8-12 Agricultural Science test passed

#### 6-12 Business Education

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Business Education content area. With this certification, you may teach business at the middle school through high school levels, sixth grade through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in business or 6-12 Business test passed

#### 6-12 Family and Consumer Sciences

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Family and Consumer Sciences content area.

**Requirements:**

Degree in family and consumer sciences from an accredited institution or 8-12 Family and Consumer Sciences test passed

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## 6-12 Physical Science

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Physical Science content area. With this certification, you may teach chemistry, physics and/or integrated physics and chemistry at the middle school through high school levels, sixth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

6-12 Physical Science test passed

## 6-12 Technology Education

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Technology Education content area. With this certification, you may teach technology system; computer applications; graphics; research, design, and development; and principle of technology at the middle school through high school levels, sixth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in engineering or computer related fields from an accredited institution or 6-12 Technology Education test passed

## 7-12 Chemistry

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Chemistry content area. With this certification, you may teach chemistry at the middle school through high school levels, seventh grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in chemistry or 7-12 Chemistry test passed

## 7-12 English, Language Arts, Reading

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 English, Language Arts, Reading content area. With this certification, you may teach English, language arts and reading at the middle school through high school levels, seventh grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in English or 7-12 English test passed

## 7-12 History

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 History content area. With this certification, you may teach history at the middle school through high school levels, seventh grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in history or 7-12 History test passed

## 7-12 Life Science

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Life Science content area. With this certification, you may teach biology at the middle school through high school levels, seventh grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in biology or 7-12 Life Science test passed

## 7-12 Mathematics

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Mathematics content area. With this certification, you may teach math at the middle school through high school levels, seventh grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in mathematics or 7-12 Math test passed

## 7-12 Science

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Science content area. With this certification, you may teach biology, chemistry, physics and/or integrated physics and chemistry at the middle school through high school levels, seventh grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

7-12 Science test passed

## 7-12 Social Studies

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Social Studies content area. With this certification, you may teach history, political science/government, economics or geography at the middle school through high school levels, seventh grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

7-12 Social Studies test passed

## 7-12 Speech

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Speech content area. With this certification, you may teach speech communications at the high school level, eighth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in speech or 7-12 Speech test passed

## 8-12 Computer Science

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Computer Science content area. With this certification, you may teach computer science at the high school level, eighth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in computer science or 8-12 Computer Science test passed

## 8-12 Dance

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Dance content area. With this certification, you may teach dance at the high school level, eighth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in dance or 8-12 Dance test passed

## 8-12 Health Science Technology Education

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Health Science Technology Education content area.

### Requirements:

- Must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Current licensure, certification or registration by a nationally recognized agency as a health professions practitioner based on a program requiring at least two years of formal education
- Approval by the teacher preparation program of two years of wage earning experience utilizing the licensure requirement.

## 8-12 Hospitality, Nutrition, and Food Sciences

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Hospitality, Nutrition and Food Sciences content area.

### Requirements:

Degree in hospitality management or nutrition from an accredited institution or 8-12 Hospitality, Nutrition and Food Science test passed

## 8-12 Human Development and Family Studies

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the Human Development and Family Studies content area.

### Requirements:

Degree in human development and family studies from an accredited institution or 8-12 Human Development and Family Studies test passed

## 8-12 Journalism

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Journalism content area. With this certification, you may teach journalism at the high school level, eighth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in journalism or 8-12 Journalism test passed

## 8-12 Marketing Education

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Marketing Education content area.

### Requirements:

- Must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Two years wage earning experience in at least one of the marketing fields

## 8-12 Physics/Mathematics

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Physics/Mathematics dual content area. With this certification, you may teach both math and physics at the high school level, eighth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

8-12 Physics/Mathematics test passed

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## 8-12 Trade and Industrial Education

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the Trade and Industrial Education content area. Please review the State Board for Educator Certification's overview of Trade and Industrial Education.

### Requirements:

- Must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Current licensure, certification, or registration by a state or nationally recognized accrediting agency as a professional practitioner in one or more approved occupations for which instruction is offered.
- If the licensure, certification or registration is NOT based on a recognized test or measurement, then passing of the appropriate National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) assessment is required. NOCTI is a leading provider of occupational competency assessments and services.
- Three to five years of full-time wage-earning experience within the past eight years in approved occupations for which instruction is offered

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## EC-12 American Sign Language

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 American Sign Language content area. With this certification, you may teach American Sign Language (ASL) at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in ASL or EC-12 ASL test passed

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## EC-12 Arabic

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Arabic content area. With this certification, you may teach Arabic at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in Arabic or EC-12 Arabic test passed

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## EC-12 Art

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Art content area. With this certification, you may teach art at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in Art or EC-12 Art test passed

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## EC-12 Chinese

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Chinese content area. With this certification, you may teach Chinese at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in Chinese or EC-12 Chinese test passed

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## EC-12 Deaf and Hard of Hearing

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Deaf and Hard of Hearing content area.

### Requirements:

Must hold a bachelor's degree in communication sciences and disorders or EC-12 Deaf and Hard of Hearing test passed.

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## EC-12 ESL Supplemental

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 ESL (English as a Second Language) Supplemental content area. This supplement may only be attached to a content area once you have passed the TExES test for your specific certification area.

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## EC-12 French

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 French content area. With this certification, you may teach French at the middle school through high school levels, sixth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in French or EC-12 French test passed

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## EC-12 German

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 German content area. With this certification, you may teach German at the middle school through high school levels, sixth grade through twelfth grade.

### Requirements:

Degree in German or EC-12 German test passed

## EC-12 Health

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Health content area. With this certification, you may teach health at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in health or EC-12 Health test passed.

## EC-12 Japanese

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Japanese content area. With this certification, you may teach Japanese at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in Japanese or EC-12 Japanese test passed

## EC-12 Latin

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Latin content area. With this certification, you may teach Latin at the middle school through high school levels, sixth grade through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in Latin or EC-12 Latin test passed

## EC-12 Music

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Music content area. With this certification, you may teach music at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in music or EC-12 Music test passed

## EC-12 Physical Education

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Physical Education content area. With this certification, you may teach physical education at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in kinesiology or physical education or EC-12 PE test passed

## EC-12 Russian

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Russian content area. With this certification, you may teach Russian at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in Russian or EC-12 Russian test passed

## EC-12 Spanish

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Spanish content area. With this certification, you may teach Spanish at the middle school through high school levels, sixth grade through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in Spanish or EC-12 Spanish test passed

## EC-12 Special Education

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Special Education content area. With this certification, you may teach life skills, content mastery, inclusion or any course designated by the district as special education.

**Requirements:**

EC-12 Special Education test passed additional content area exam passed

## EC-12 Technology Applications

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Technology Applications content area. With this certification, you may teach technology applications at the elementary school through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in computers or EC-12 Technology Applications test passed

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## EC-12 Theatre

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Theatre content area. With this certification, you may teach theatre arts at the elementary through high school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:**

Degree in theatre or drama or EC-12 Theatre test passed

## EC-12 Vietnamese

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iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Vietnamese content area. With this certification, you may teach Vietnamese at the elementary school through high

school levels, early childhood through twelfth grade.

**Requirements:** Degree in Vietnamese or EC-12

Vietnamese test passed