



Teacher EDUCATION

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UNDERGRADUATE PLAN OF STUDY

Name: _____ Student ID: _____
 Major: _____ Teaching Field: _____
 Program Admission Date: _____ Completion Date: _____

The undergraduate teacher certification program fulfills all requirements for a Texas Standard Teaching Certificate for grades 7-12. In addition to coursework specified below, students must satisfy their Rice University Distribution requirement and all degree and major coursework.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSES (30 hours)				
COURSE	TITLE	SEM	HRS	GRADE
EDUC 305	Educational Psychology		3	
EDUC 316	Assessment		3	
EDUC 319	Teaching and Learning with Inquiry		3	
EDUC 320	Teaching Diverse Learners		3	
EDUC 421	Curriculum Development		3	
HIST 421	Race, Education & Society in the Urban South		3	
EDUC 422	Literacy Across the Curriculum		3	
EDUC 460-466	Theory and Methods (teaching content area)		3	
EDUC 467	Practicum for Preservice Teachers		6	

Content area courses (24 hours)					
COURSE	TITLE	HRS	COURSE	TITLE	HRS
		3			3
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Certification students must choose at least one content teaching field from the list of state-approved teaching fields. 24 hours of content coursework is required; 12 hours must be upper-level.

Certification Requirements

- Students interested in obtaining teacher certification must apply to the program during the sophomore.
- Pass Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA) exam or meet exemption *prior* to enrolling in any teacher education courses.
- Students must maintain a 3.0 (B) grade point average (GPA) for all courses counted toward certification.
- Complete 45 hours of field-based experience in local secondary schools, in conjunction with course work.
- After all coursework is complete, students will participate in a semester long student teaching experience in a Texas public school under the direction of a cooperating teacher and Rice supervisor. Contact the Teacher Education Office for additional information.
- Complete and present a portfolio in Supervised Teaching.
- Pass appropriate TExES exams - Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities and Content Exam(s).
- Apply for Texas State certification when all requirements are completed.
- Students should refer to the General Announcements for additional information and requirements.

Additional information and required signatures on back.

EDUC Electives

While not required for certification, the following courses focus on education, multicultural issues, or urban educational issues and are recommended as possible Elective courses. Full course descriptions can be found on the MAT/Teacher Education website.

EDUC 202 Contemporary Issues in Education	EDUC 304 Race, Class, Gender in Education
EDUC 310 Introduction to Special Education	EDUC 315 Adolescent Development
EDUC 325 Adolescent Literature	EDUC 335 Urban Education
EDUC 350 Education Policy	EDUC 470 Field-Based Studies in Teaching and Learning

Plan Approvals

_____	_____	_____	_____
Student (signature)	Date	Teacher Education Advisor (signature)	Date
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Teaching Field Dept. Liaison (signature)	Date		