Texas A&M University-Commerce

Field-Based (Undergraduate) Program

EC-12 or ALL LEVEL SPED Teacher Certification - Aide

Requirements to be Met to be Approved for Student Teaching	Indicate Date Completed or to Be Completed
Gain District Approval to Complete Student Teaching as	
Educational Aide. <i>Note:</i> Some districts do not permit aides to be	
compensated while completing student teaching.	
Fully admitted to the Field-Based Teacher Education Program (occurs	
during Eled 300)	
Hold an Educational Aide Certificate (TEA requirement)	
"C" or above in ELED or SED 300	
(requires 30 hours of Observation and Observation Reflection)	
"C" or above in PSY 300	
"C" or above in ETEC 424	
"C" or above in Rdg 380 or 370	
"C" or above in HHPK 274 (Sped Applicants Only)	
Pre-Internship Courses GPA of 2.50	
"C" or above in all Major Courses	
"C" or above in all Teaching Field (Specialization) Courses	
Major Courses GPA of 2.50	
Specialization Courses GPA of 2.50	
Lack no more than 6sh or 2 courses in Specialization Courses	
Basic Skills Requirements for Reading, Math and Writing –	
Reading (THEA, ACT or SAT only)	
❖ Math (THEA, SAT, ACT, TSI Test or "C" in College Math)	
❖ Writing (THEA, SAT, ACT, TSI Test or "C" in English 101 or	
102)	

Application for Substitution for Experience (if applicable)

You may be eligible to have one semester off student teaching waived. You must have two (2) full years of verifiable experience in the content area / level you are pursuing certification, in order to be considered for a waiver.

You may access the application for Substitution for Experience at the following link:

http://www.tamuc.edu/academics/colleges/educationHumanServices/educatorCertificationAcademicServices/fieldB asedUndergraduateProgram/educational-aide-program/default.aspx

The application to Substitute Experience should be submitted at the same time as the Internship application, if possible.

Note: If your application to substitute experience for coursework is approved (waive 3sh of Eled 422), your Internship semester will be waived. You will complete only one (1) semester of student teaching, i.e. clinical teaching.

If you are not eligible for the waiver (do not have minimum of two (2) years of aide experience), or the waiver is not approved, you must complete both semesters of student teaching.

Internship Semester -

EDCI 414 – 3sh ELED 422 – 3sh (and any other courses listed on your Degreeworks)

Residency (Clinical Teaching) –

(and any other courses listed on your Degreeworks)

EDCI 415 – 3sh ELED/SED 422 – 3sh

Residency (Clinical Teaching with the waiver)

EDCI 414 – 3sh EDCI 415 – 3sh SED 422 – 3sh

Final Requirements:

- Maintain all courses with grades of "C" or above, and maintain required GPA
- Conferred Bachelor's Degree in the area seeking teacher certification
- Successful completion of all required TExES exams
- Apply for State Standard Teaching
- Apply for Fingerprinting