

GRADUATE INITIAL TEACHER CERTIFICATION

Web Site: <https://twu.edu/teacher-education/graduate-programs/post-bachelors-initial-teacher-certification-only/>

Degree Requirements

Total Semester Credit Hours Required

21-27 semester credit hours (SCH) which includes 12 SCH of coursework in pedagogy and professional responsibilities and 6-12 SCH supervised teaching experience. Students have the option of adding ESL, Bilingual, or Special Education supplemental (with added coursework) to the certification plan.

Code	Title	SCHs
Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities		
EDUC 5113	Foundations of Teaching and Learning	3
EDUC 5123	Learning Theory, Development, and Research	3
EDUC 5133	Assessment and Instructional Design and Delivery for Diverse Learners	3
EDUC 5143	Effective Design and Management of the Classroom Environment (EC-12)	3
READ 5213	Foundational Skills for the Teaching of Reading in the Early Grades	3
or READ 5543	Introduction to Literacy and Learning in the Disciplines	
Clinical Student Teaching or Internship		6-12
A full-time, one-semester clinical student teaching experience in a TEA-accredited school setting.		
OR		
A full-time, two-semester internship in a TEA-accredited school setting in which the student is employed as the teacher of record.		
Total SCHs		21-27

Special Requirements

- Students complete early field experiences prior to clinical student teaching or professional internship. These experiences are designed to introduce students to diverse classroom settings and provide opportunities to generalize course content in an applied setting. Please refer to course descriptions for the number of field hours required for specific courses. The Office of Clinical Practices works with faculty to place students in approved districts; faculty will provide information about required assignments related to field experiences.
- Students must pass all TExES exams prior to clinical student teaching or professional internship.
- Only courses in which the student achieved a grade of 'B' or higher may be included on the certification plan.
- Students are required to enroll in at least one semester credit hour of coursework each long semester (i.e., fall and spring) until they complete their program; failure to do so may result in removal from the program (and require re-applying if a student wishes to continue). Any exceptions require the permission of the M.A.T. Coordinator.