

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN THEATRE (EC-12 THEATRE CERTIFICATION)

Web Site: <https://twu.edu/theatre/undergraduate-programs/>

The B.A. in Theatre with EC-12 teacher certification prepares graduates to function creatively and skillfully in a variety of theatre professions with a focus upon teaching theatre in the classroom. Students should consult with the College of Professional Education for specific pedagogy requirements and certification examination questions.

Marketable Skills

Defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30 Strategic Plan (<https://reportcenter.highered.texas.gov/agency-publication/miscellaneous/theceb-60x30-strategic-plan/>) as, "Those skills valued by employers that can be applied in a variety of work settings, including interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills areas. These skills can be either primary or complementary to a major and are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities."

Degree Skills

- Communicate effectively with supervisors, peers, subordinates, and people outside of the organization using clear spoken communication and active listening.
- Monitor and organize processes, materials, and surroundings including the ability to review information relevant to a goal and to develop and prioritize the steps needed to achieve a goal.
- Collaborate in a team-driven atmosphere by establishing and fostering personal relationships and developing constructive and cooperative working relationships in a time-sensitive environment in both face-to-face and digital communication environments.
- Strong, project-oriented time-management skills applied with respect and self-discipline to meet strict deadlines and achieve goals.

Teacher Certification Skills

- Appropriately explain the impact of effective planning and communication (within the chosen area of concentration) to relevant internal and external stakeholders in an education or community setting.
- Identify, select, and implement entry-level instructional plans when serving as an instructor in the school setting.
- Successfully manage organizational and student behavior when teaching in the school setting.
- Efficiently and accurately assess student progress and use data to develop and modify instruction for K-12 students.
- Work effectively and collaboratively with students and families from diverse backgrounds.

Admissions

Teacher Certification

Application Deadlines

There are three application periods per year (Fall, Spring, and Summer). Students must have their applications in by the deadline the semester

before they intend to take ECE 3223 (EC-3 only), EDUC 3003, EDUC 3482, or READ 4223 (EC-3 only). (see schedule below).

Spring Application Deadlines* (Admission to the EDUC 3000s Summer)

- May 1 - Deadline to apply for Summer admission
- May 31 - Deadline for Transfer Grades, Grade Changes, or Any Other Requirement

Summer Application Deadlines (Admission to the EDUC 3000s Fall)

- July 1 - Deadline to apply for Fall admission
- July 31 - Deadline for Transfer Grades, Grade Changes, or Any Other Requirement

Fall Application Deadlines* (Admission to the EDUC 3000s Spring)

- December 1 - Deadline to apply for Spring admission
- December 21 - Deadline for Transfer Grades, Grade Changes, or Any Other Requirement

Guidelines

Please adhere to the following guidelines:

- We recommend preparing your application well in advance of the deadline. That way you will be able to identify and resolve any potential issues before the deadline date.
- If you intend to register early for ECE 3223 (EC-3 only), EDUC 3003, EDUC 3482, or READ 4223 (EC-3 only) for the Summer or Fall semesters and have met all admission requirements, it is recommended that you apply to the EPP by December 1.
- If you apply for admission to the Educator Preparation Program while enrolled in EDUC 2003 or are taking coursework to increase your GPA to a 2.75, the Office of Educator Preparation Services will process your application. If the GPA requirement, along with all other admission requirements are met at the end of the semester, an admission decision will be made at that time.
- No late applications will be accepted. If the deadline date falls on a weekend or a day that TWU is closed, applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on the next day that TWU is open after the deadline day.

Requirements

In addition to the general undergraduate admissions requirements (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/admission-information/>), to obtain acceptance into the undergraduate Educator Preparation Program (<https://twu.edu/epp/>) (and prior to taking ECE 3223 (EC-3 only), EDUC 3003, EDUC 3482, EDUC 4113, EDUC 4243, READ 4223 (EC-3 only), and Clinical Student Teaching) students must have:

- A cumulative GPA of 2.75 (includes **all** courses, whether posted to TWU transcript or used on a degree plan. Excludes developmental and repeated courses);
- Demonstrated basic skills in reading, written communication, and mathematics by meeting the requirements of the Texas Success Initiative;
- A minimum of 12 to 15 semester credit hours in the subject-specific content area for the certification sought;
- Completed EDUC 2003 with a C or higher;
- Completed department application for admission to the Educator Preparation Program in Tk20;
 - Important:** Purchase and creation of a Tk20 account is required (<https://twu.edu/epp/tk20/>)

- Completed the Digital Literacy Pre-assessment;
- Submitted a non-refundable Texas Education Agency Fee;
- Completed a Commitment Contract acknowledging awareness and understanding of the Professional Dispositions Policy and Educators' Code of Ethics;
- Successfully completed a pre-admission departmental interview with an interview panel; and
- Acknowledged and accepted admission to the Educator Preparation Program.

Please note:

- All accepted students must maintain the admission requirements to remain in the TWU Education Preparation Program.
- Admission requirements are determined by Texas Education Agency policies and are subject to change without notice.
- Students seeking Bilingual certification must meet minimum proficiency in Spanish.
- Students seeking Deaf/Hard of Hearing certification must meet minimum proficiency in sign.

All admission decisions are based on the successful completion of the above requirements. Conviction of a felony or misdemeanor other than a minor traffic violation may affect certification. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Texas Education Agency (<http://www.tea.texas.gov/>). Any previous or current issues of academic dishonesty, disruptive behavior, or professional dispositions infractions at TWU, another university, or another Educator Preparation Program may result in denial of admission. Any decision may be appealed by contacting the Office of Educator Preparation Services at 940-898-2829.

Contact the Office of Educator Preparation Services (<https://twu.edu/epp/>) (OEPS) at copeadvising@twu.edu or 940-898-2829 with any questions.

Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Requirements

- Candidates must undergo a criminal history background check prior to employment as an educator. [19 TAC §227.1(b)(1)]
- Candidates must undergo a criminal history background check prior to clinical teaching. [19 TAC §227.1(b)(2)]
- The potential ineligibility of an individual who has been convicted of an offense for issuance of a certificate. [19 TAC §227.1(d)(1)]
- The right to request a preliminary criminal history evaluation from TEA. [19 TAC §227.1(d)(3)]

Degree Requirements

Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH): 120

Major: 42 SCH; **Required Minor:** 26 SCH

Program Code: THEATRE.BA.EDUC; **CIP Code:** 50.0501.00

Texas Core Curriculum

Code	Title	SCHs
ENG 1013	Composition I	3
ENG 1023	Composition II	3
Mathematics		3

Life & Physical Sciences		6
Language, Philosophy, & Culture		3
Creative Arts		3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	3
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	3
POLS 2023	Texas Government	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences		3
CAO: Women's Studies		3
CAO: First Year Seminar, Wellness or Mathematics		3
Total SCHs		42

Courses Required for Major

Code	Title	SCHs
Required Drama Courses		
THEA 1312	Rehearsal and Production I (take two times)	4
THEA 1321	Script Reading (take two times)	2
THEA 2113	Stagecraft I	3
THEA 2213	Performance I	3
THEA 2312	Rehearsal and Performance II (take two times)	4
THEA 2433	Theatrical Makeup	3
THEA 3312	Rehearsal and Performance III (take two times)	4
THEA 3423	Drafting for the Stage	3
THEA 3461	Stage Management	1
THEA 3473	The Theatre and Its Drama: Before 1715	3
THEA 3483	The Theatre and Its Drama: Since 1715	3
THEA 3523	Play Directing	3
THEA 4403	Scenic Design	3
or THEA 4413	Costume Design	
or THEA 4423	Stage Lighting	
THEA 4603	Summer Stock	3
Total SCHs		42

Departmental Requirements

Code	Title	SCHs
	Foreign Language	6
	Electives (Theatre or Related Studies)	4
Total SCHs		10

Professional Education Studies

Admission to the Educator Preparation Program is required. Students must apply for admission into the Educator Preparation Program prior to enrolling in EDUC 3003/EDUC 3482, EDUC 4113/EDUC 4243, and EDUC 4946. Information is available from the Office of Educator Preparation Services (<https://twu.edu/teacher-certification/>).

Code	Title	SCHs
Pedagogical and Professional Responsibility		
EDUC 2003	Schools and Society	3
EDUC 3003	Learning Theory and Development	3

EDUC 3482	Teaching Diverse Learners Through Technology Integration	2
EDUC 4113	Design and Implementation of Instruction and Assessment	3
EDUC 4243	Classroom Environment and Management	3
EDUC 4946	Clinical Student Teaching	6
Related Studies in Education		
READ 3013	Literacy and Learning across the Curriculum	3
EDSP 3203	Learners with Exceptionalities	3
Total SCHs		26

Notes:

- a. EDUC 2003 may be taken at a community college. Check with the Office of Educator Preparation Services (<https://twu.edu/teacher-certification/>) to make sure the course has the equivalent number.
- b. EDUC 4113 and EDUC 4243 must be taken during the same semester.

Recommended Plan of Study

First Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
THEA 1312	Rehearsal and Production I	DRAM 1120	2
THEA 1321	Script Reading		1
THEA 2113	Stagecraft I	DRAM 1330	3
THEA 2213	Performance I	DRAM 1351	3
ENG 1013	Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	HIST 1301	3
UNIV 1231	Learning Frameworks: The First Year Experience	EDUC 1100, EDUC 1200, EDUC 1300	1

SCHs 16

Spring		TCCN	SCHs
THEA 1312	Rehearsal and Production I	DRAM 1120	2
THEA 1321	Script Reading		1
ENG 1023	Composition II	ENGL 1302	3
MATH 1013	Financial and Quantitative Literacy	MATH 1332	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	HIST 1302	3
Wellness/Mathematics CAO Core			3

SCHs 15

Second Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
THEA 2312	Rehearsal and Performance II	DRAM 2121	2
THEA 2433	Theatrical Makeup	DRAM 1341	3
EDUC 2003	Schools and Society	EDUC 1301	3
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	GOVT 2305	3
Language, Philosophy, & Culture Core			3
Life/Physical Science Core			3

SCHs 17

Spring		TCCN	SCHs
THEA 2312	Rehearsal and Performance II	DRAM 2121	2
THEA 3423	Drafting for the Stage		3
POLS 2023	Texas Government	GOVT 2306	3

Social/Behavioral Science Core	3
Life/Physical Science Core	3
Multicultural Women's Studies CAO Core	3

SCHs 17

Third Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
THEA 3312	Rehearsal and Performance III		2
THEA 3473	The Theatre and Its Drama: Before 1715		3
EDUC 3003	Learning Theory and Development		3
EDUC 3482	Teaching Diverse Learners Through Technology Integration		2
READ 3013	Literacy and Learning across the Curriculum		3
Related Studies: Foreign Language			3

SCHs 16

Spring

Spring		TCCN	SCHs
THEA 3312	Rehearsal and Performance III		2
THEA 3483	The Theatre and Its Drama: Since 1715		3
THEA 3461	Stage Management		1
THEA 3523	Play Directing		3
Theatre Elective			3
Related Studies: Foreign Language			3

SCHs 15

Summer

Summer		TCCN	SCHs
THEA 4603	Summer Stock		3

SCHs 3

Fourth Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
THEA 4403, 4413, or 4423	Scenic Design or Costume Design or Stage Lighting		3
EDUC 4113	Design and Implementation of Instruction and Assessment		3
EDUC 4243	Classroom Environment and Management		3
EDSP 3203	Learners with Exceptionalities		3
Creative Arts Core			3

SCHs 15

Spring

Spring		TCCN	SCHs
EDUC 4946	Clinical Student Teaching		6

SCHs 6

Total SCHs: 120