

Texas Certification Requirements

The following requirements must be met to be eligible for recommendation by UTA EPP to be awarded a Texas Certification:

1. Complete a TEA accredited Educator Preparation Program (EPP), which includes pedagogy coursework as well as Field and Clinical Experiences as mandated by the Texas Administrative Code (TAC).
2. Have a Bachelor's degree from an accredited university. The degree must be officially conferred and posted to be valid.
3. Pass all required state certification exams (TExES) including:
 - ✓ Content – What you are going to teach – subject and grade level.
 - ✓ Pedagogy (PPR) – How to teach.
 - ✓ Supplemental – Additional endorsements such as English as a Second Language (ESL), Bilingual Educator or Special Education (SPED).
4. Submit a certification and fingerprinting application and fee to TEA.
5. Complete fingerprinting and pass Federal background check through TEA approved vendor.
6. Be recommended by UTA EPP.