Dear Prospective Teacher,

Congratulations on your decision to pursue a teaching career. I founded iteachTEXAS in 2003 with the goal to help talented individuals become teachers while eliminating some of the traditional barriers to the classroom. iteachTEXAS quickly grew to be one of the largest educator preparation programs in Texas and led to the launch of iteachU.S., which replicates the proven model we first piloted in Texas. Today, iteachU.S. is an educator preparation program that has earned state-specific approval in Texas, Louisiana, Hawaii, and Nevada, and we are continuing to grow while maintaining the highest standards of professionalism and academic rigor in each state where we operate.

Our commitment to excellence is reflected in iteachU.S. being the first and only teacher preparation program that is not affiliated with a college or university to be accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). While all teacher certification programs in a state, including ours, must be approved by the state to offer teacher certification, NCATE is an optional accreditation that reflects a program’s adherence to the highest standards of training and professional mentorship for new teachers.

As in any career, the insight and support of a mentor is invaluable. This is why iteachU.S. employs experienced former teachers, principals, and superintendents to provide guidance and support during your first year in the classroom. We also work closely with school districts and charter schools to understand the needs of each community and provide a supportive network for you while you grow as an educator.

Because we believe that experience matters, iteachU.S. conducts research about our candidate’s success and continuation in the field of teaching after they complete our program. We are proud to report that for teachers employed in Texas public schools, iteachU.S. has a three-year retention rate of 82.8%. This is in addition to numerous iteachU.S. candidates who have earned accolades as teacher of the year and other awards for their professional accomplishments as educators. For information relating to the performance of iteachTEXAS for the past five years, please visit the TEA website, http://tea.texas.gov/.

As a teacher, you will face the profound responsibility of helping your students to learn, grow, and prepare for the rest of their lives. Recent research indicates that a teacher has more influence on a child’s learning than any other school-related factor. An exceptional teacher can make a lasting difference in the lives of his or her students. If you are committed to this goal, we will give you the tools and support you need to attain it.

Every child deserves the opportunity to learn from a great teacher. We at iteachU.S. seek to prepare men and women who will respond to this pressing need with enthusiasm, creativity, and dedication. Thank you for choosing iteachU.S. as your guide on this journey.

Warmest regards,

Diann Huber, Ed.D.
Founder and President
LEAVE YOUR MARK.
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INSTITUTIONAL PHILOSOPHY

The conceptual framework model of iteachU.S. is based on a foundation of sound pedagogical philosophy, core beliefs and purpose. The conceptual framework logo is a symbolic image providing direction for the iteachU.S. candidates through components of the program, the delivery of instruction, and the expected learning outcomes. The visual compass provides directions for teacher candidates as they progress toward success.

An analysis of the conceptual framework model reveals continuous infusion from the Learner Centered Community and expectations associated with standards, competencies, and proficiencies. The emphasis on candidate content knowledge based on prior instruction and competencies based on extensive assessments culminates in the placement of a highly effective certified teacher in the classroom. The conceptual framework provides a synopsis of the unit’s mission, vision, philosophy, purpose and goals.

VISION

To establish the premier route to certification by enhancing the capacity of the teaching profession to provide equal educational opportunities for all segments of the culture, both domestically and internationally. The unit strives to prepare caring, effective, and competent professional educators, committed to lead others to lifelong learning. With the desire to diversify the teaching force and the administrative staff, particularly in urban and rural areas and on military bases, and by addressing regional, national, and subject-specific teacher shortages, iteachU.S. promises to provide a solution to the multifaceted problem of educating all students for multicultural and global learning communities.

MISSION

iteachU.S. commits to a mission of excellence in teacher preparation in an evolving technological world. Through the recruitment, training and support of qualified degreed individuals, the emerging shortage of highly qualified, highly effective teachers and administrators can be reduced, especially in the identified high needs areas of Bilingual Education, Spanish, Math and Science. iteachU.S. is designed to offer excellent educational experiences and an innovative delivery system to transform a diversified candidate pool into leaders impacting the lives and learning of EC – 12 learners in a global society.
We value instruction that develops lifelong learners.
The philosophy of iteachU.S. is grounded in the **six tenets of the conceptual framework**. Based upon established standards and a goal of excellence, these tenets frame the program’s instructional curriculum, guide the field experience and provide the candidate with skills to impact student learning. The tenets also align the unit’s instruction, field experience, assessments, and evaluation, emphasizing the importance of preparing successful diverse learners. As demonstrated by the visual compass, this alignment yields the institutional standards.

1. **iteachU.S. values instruction that develops lifelong learners**
2. **iteachU.S. values the effective use of technology to enhance learning opportunities**
3. **iteachU.S. values field experience placements, which allow active engagement of the students in a diversified learning environment**
4. **iteachU.S. values high standards which hold teacher candidates accountable not only for student learning, but also for modeling a high moral standard**
5. **iteachU.S. values collaboration with the professional community as well as with community partners and parents of students**
6. **iteachU.S. values the highly effective candidate who possesses a strong academic knowledge base**
Approved Educator Standards

The State Board for Educator Certification creates standards for beginning educators. These standards are focused upon the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, the required statewide public school curriculum.
**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

iteachTEXAS is a private alternative educator preparation program based on distance learning that recommends successful candidates for the Standard teaching certificate in Texas.

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“The one exclusive sign of thorough knowledge is the power of teaching.” - Aristotle
Admissions

REQUIREMENTS

• You must meet requirements for a certification area in addition to meeting the basic admissions requirements.

• You must have a personal e-mail account and access to a personal (not school) computer.

• You must add iteach.net to your contacts list.

Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education as required by Texas Education Agency and the Texas Administration Code

• You may view all regionally accredited institutions at the United States on the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) website.

• You may also view a listing of some, but not all, non-accredited colleges and universities that would not be accepted by iteachTEXAS.

Minimum 2.50 grade point average, which will be determined in one of the following ways:

• Minimum 2.50 GPA (your undergraduate GPA as posted on conferred degree transcript), or

• Minimum 2.50 GPA in last 60 hours

• Your graduating GPA must be calculated and posted by the university on your official transcripts. If your transcript does not reflect a graduation GPA, you will need to contact your college’s Registrar office to have a letter typed on University letterhead that includes your GPA sent in with your official transcripts.

Competency in reading, writing and math must be demonstrated at the time of application. This will be determined in one of the following ways:

• Satisfied the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirement by having a conferred degree, or

• Passing score on the TASP/THEA (Reading - 230, Math - 230, Writing - 220), or

• ACT (composite score of 23 with a minimum of 19 on the English test and 19 on the math test), or

• SAT (combined verbal and mathematics score of 1070 with a minimum 500 verbal score and 500 math score)
Identification of Content Area. This will be determined via:

- TExES content test passed.

You must demonstrate professionalism during your prescreening intruVIEW and in all written correspondence and oral communication with iteachTEXAS.

Are you currently enrolled in college?
If you are in the last semester of coursework toward a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education as required by Texas Education Agency and the Texas Administration Code, and you currently meet the identified admission requirements, then you may be eligible for admission on a contingent basis.

- Spring graduates may apply January 1 - May 1
- Summer graduates may apply June 1 - August 1
- Fall graduates may apply September 1 - December 1

To qualify for contingency admittance, the following documentation must be provided by the above deadlines:

- Copy of final semester schedule of classes
- Letter of completion from academic advisor
- Official transcripts through previous semester
- Proof of passed TExES content exam

Once you are accepted as a contingency candidate in the educator preparation program, you are eligible to continue to test on a limited basis and begin your coursework. Contingent candidates who seek standard admissions must meet all general admissions requirements and must provide an official transcript reflecting a conferred degree prior to receiving an iteachTEXAS Statement of Eligibility.

Did you graduate outside the U.S. or within a U.S. territory (universities not located within the 50 states or District of Columbia)? Graduates from a university outside of the United States or within a U.S. territory must:

- Provide proof of oral English language proficiency by having a score of 79 or higher on the Internet based Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL iBT) test.
- Provide competency in reading, writing and mathematics through the THEA/TASP, ACT, SAT or GRE. (Please view required scores above.)
- Provide Verification of Work Authorization Status: If not a U.S. citizen, verification of lawful permanent residence and a copy of current Green Card must be provided at the time of application with at least 3 years of employment eligibility.
- An original Foreign Credential Review from an approved agency must be provided if you graduated from a university outside the United States or graduated from a university in a U.S. territory. iteachTEXAS cannot accept transcripts from a foreign university.
“A good teacher can inspire hope, ignite the imagination, and instill a love of learning.” - Brad Henry
Once you obtain a field experience position, you must complete all program certification requirements by the end of the field experience. The following timeline provides an overview of how an individual progresses through the teacher certification program. (This is an ideal scenario and may not hold true for each candidate depending on individual circumstances.)

 iTeachTEXAS Benefits

- Continuous Enrollment
- No arbitrary deadline for enrollment
- Upon acceptance, immediate enrollment in instructional coursework

Once accepted into the iTeachTEXAS program, you have two full school years in which to complete all certification requirements, including the field experience.

CALENDAR

As an online program your program is available to you 24/7. However, program instructors will not grade assignments on national holidays.
Teacher Certification Timeline

Each person is unique as this is a self-paced program, but the chart below provides a general timeline for the program completion.

**APPLY**
You can apply and begin at anytime with our continuous enrollment.

*Free to Apply. $99 Enrollment Fee.*

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**
- Undergraduate Degree
- 2.5 GPA
- Content Test Passed
- TEPC 5000 Complete

**IMMEDIATE ACCESS**
- Access to TEPC 5000 - An Overview of Teaching
- Observation log
- Online Classroom Observation Library
- Diagnostic Tools for Content Test

**IMMEDIATE ENROLLMENT**
- Six Online, Self-Paced, Competency-based courses
- Testing on a limited basis
- $99 Enrollment Fee

**ELIGIBLE FOR HIRE**
- Content Test Passed
- 30 Hours of Observation Logged
- TEPC 5300 Completed

**TWO SEMESTERS**
- Two semester paid Internship as the Teacher of Record
- $3750 deferred balance paid via monthly payment plan
- Continue in training through TEPC 5600
- Take a PPR Test once all training is complete

**STANDARD CERTIFICATE 12-18 MONTHS**
All State and program requirements completed!
1. SUBMIT A COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET

- Complete the application online.
- It takes about 3 days for the evaluation to be completed once your application is submitted.
- Once you have been approved, you will enroll in the program for just $99 with a monthly recurring fee of just $99. The total cost of the program is $3750.
- Mail official transcripts with conferred degree date to:
  iteachTEXAS
  P.O. Box 1626
  Denton, Texas 76202
- You may also send official electronic transcripts via SCRIP-SAFE or other secure electronic transcript provider to admissions@iteach.net. If the electronic transcript provider requires the transcript to be sent with attention to a specific person, please list First Name: “Admissions” Last Name: “iteach” in these fields.
- Receive access to the instructNET instructional platform to track your application status, the iteach library of diagnostic tools to assist you in content area testing, and the iteach video library which may be applied toward state-required observation hours.
- Pass your content area test, if you have not already done so.
- Complete course 5000, an overview of the teaching profession course, including intruVIEW, an online screening interview
- Applications are retained for six months. If you do not submit your complete packet within six months, the application is destroyed to ensure the security of your personal information.

2. EVALUATION

- Receive notification of your program status via e-mail.
- Upon acceptance into the program, you gain online access to the Letter of Agreement (LOA).
- Completed application packets are retained for six months. If you do not acknowledge the Letter of Agreement and/or pay the non-refundable access fee of $225 within six months, your packet is destroyed to ensure the security of your personal information.
3. PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE

• Within a week from the time you acknowledge the Letter of Agreement and pay the non-refundable access fee of $225, you will receive:
  › An official Letter of Acceptance.
  › Access to the training courses
  › Limited access to content area certification testing in additional content areas

• Once accepted into the program, you have two full school years in which to complete all certification requirements including the field experience. Once you begin your field experience position, you must complete all program requirements by the end of your field experience.

4. TRAINING

• You gain access to the instructional courses once your Letter of Agreement and non-refundable access fee of $225 are received by iteachTEXAS.

• The six courses, TEPC 5100 – TEPC 5600, are self-paced and competency based.

• You must complete 30 hours of state-mandated observation hours in person or you may use high-quality classroom videos provided by iteachTEXAS or our partner, the Teaching Channel.

5. TEST(S)

• You are eligible to test in any content area. However, the state of Texas recently placed a five-attempt limit on the number of times a candidate may attempt to pass a test. Further, iteach limits test approval in any content area to two attempts. Therefore, iteachTEXAS encourages you to select TExES content area tests based on your educational background, i.e. choose tests over subjects in which you have taken significant college hours, to ensure the best probability of passing the test.

• If you are seeking special education certification, you will need to pass a specific content area test, i.e., EC–6 Core Subject or 4–8 Core Subject to indicate content mastery of a core content area.

• You take the TExES Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities test (PPR) only after you:
  › Pass the appropriate content test (and Bilingual Target Language Proficiency Test [BTLPT] and Bilingual Supplement Test if applicable)
  › Complete the instructional courses, TEPC 5000-5600
6. TEACHING RESIDENCY

• You may begin securing a field experience position as soon as you are accepted into the iteachTEXAS program and fulfill the initial requirements of:
  - 30 hours of observation
  - Completion of 150 hours of instruction (TEPC 5100-5300)
  - Content test passed in your area of hire
  - Completed payment plan form

• Once you have fulfilled the initial requirements listed above, you will receive a Statement of Eligibility. You provide this form to school districts for verification of eligibility for field experience. Once you obtain a field experience placement, you must complete all of the program requirements by the end of your field experience.

• You are enrolled in a field experience course, Field Experience – The Classroom Teaching Experience, when you begin your field experience.

• If hired, you are recommended by iteachTEXAS for an Intern or Probationary Certificate. You cannot be recommended for an Intern/Probationary Certificate until you have passed the TExES content test. To qualify for the Probationary Certificate, you must also have passed the PPR.

• You are assigned a field supervisor for your field experience.

7. RECOMMENDED FOR CERTIFICATION

You are recommended for a Standard Certificate after successfully fulfilling the following program requirements:

• Completing the instructional courses

• Passing the required certification tests: a content test or tests (and Bilingual Target Language Proficiency Test [BTLPT] and Bilingual Supplement Test if applicable), and the Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities test (PPR)

• Completing the field experience with recommendation from field supervisor and campus administrator

• Submitting required reflections in Field Experience – The Classroom Teaching Experience

• Paying all program fees

• Submitting the evaluation exit survey
Course Description Overview
This teacher preparation coursework is designed to prepare an individual who has demonstrated subject mastery to be an effective classroom teacher. Through the distance learning coursework developed by iteachUS, you, the teacher candidate, will obtain knowledge on a broad array of topics ranging from human development, to educational pedagogy, to classroom management, to special needs students. The vision of the coursework is for you to study and understand various aspects of the teaching discipline and translate this knowledge into actual classroom practice. This knowledge will empower you to adapt teaching practices to maximize individual student learning.

Requirements
You must have access to a personal computer that has Microsoft Word. Many schools and public libraries have Internet filters in place that will not allow the viewing of downloads from the Internet. Additionally, it is your responsibility to frequently review the program announcements on the instructNET platform.
COURSES

- TEPC 5000 – An Overview of Teaching
- TEPC 5100 – Learning Environments
- TEPC 5200 – Learner Development
- TEPC 5300 – Planning Instruction and Assessment
- TEPC 5400 – Literacy and 21st Century Instruction
- TEPC 5500 – Learner Differences and Special Needs
- TEPC 5600 – Diverse Populations, English Language Learners, and Bilingual Students

Field Experience Courses
- TEPC 5700 – Field Experience: The Classroom Teaching Experience

PACE

The iteachTEXAS coursework is self-paced, and the six instructional courses, TEPC 5100 – TEPC 5600 are competency based. Each of the instructional courses and the comprehensive review are equivalent to a three-hour course (45 contact hours).

COURSE OBJECTIVES

While each course has its own objective(s) for the teacher candidate, the following overall objectives of the course material ensure that each candidate possesses the identified teacher dispositions on which iteachTEXAS is built:

- Instill belief that all students can learn based upon the stages of human development
- Develop respect for individual differences to ensure a democratic classroom environment
- Foster commitment to inquiry, self-reflection and assessment
- Promote intellectual curiosity and enthusiasm about learning based upon the importance of literacy
- Examine openness to new ideas in behavioral management
- Value positive interactions
- Perform all practices responsibly and ethically
- Value diversity of students and peers

OBSERVATIONAL VIDEOS:

Extensive selection of authentic classroom videos

A library of observational videos is available to our candidates throughout enrollment in the iteachTEXAS program. You may search these videos by content specific, grade specific, and topic-specific criteria. To supplement the actual teaching of the topics, each video has additional materials including research based articles, specific questions and a reflection prompt. You may use these videos to fulfill a portion of the required field experience observation hours.
ASSIGNMENT

Each iteachTEXAS online course contains required assignments and/or activities that will appear in various forms, such as research, reflection, essays and even completion of school and state procedures. Every candidate in our program holds at least a bachelor’s degree, and several hold master’s and doctoral degrees. It is vital to the successful completion of this program that all work be of the caliber required for graduate level coursework. Any assignment not meeting the program’s high standards will be returned.

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Candidates must earn an average score of 2.5 or better on all assignments for each course prior to being recommended for certification.
Examinations
In addition to graded assignments, computer-graded assessments are administered throughout each course. Successful completion of each assessment must be accomplished with a grade of 80% or higher prior to being recommended for certification.

Feedback
An instructor will monitor your participation in each iteachTEXAS course. The course instructor will be a Master Teacher who will not only read and evaluate your assignments, but also provide prompt feedback should you have a question regarding the course curriculum.

Accommodations
If you have a disability for which you require accommodations, please let iteachTEXAS know. iteachTEXAS will be glad to work with you to find an appropriate accommodation.
Text Resources
Candidates are required to purchase one of the following three texts as supplemental reading for TEPC 5600:

- A Framework for Understanding Poverty by Ruby K. Payne (any edition), or
- Other People’s Children: Cultural Conflict in the Classroom by Lisa Delpit (any edition), or
- For White Folks Who Teach in the Hood… and the Rest of Y’all, Too: Reality Pedagogy and Urban Education by Christopher Emdin

- In addition, iteachTEXAS strongly recommends purchase of the following:

It is recommended that you begin building your personal library of educational resources. Therefore, at appropriate times in the courses, various books and resources that are considered worthy of purchase will be recommended.

Additionally, many articles will be provided via Internet links.
“Share your knowledge. It is a way to achieve immortality.”
- Dalai Lama
FIELD EXPERIENCE

It is the mission of the iteachTEXAS program to meet the needs of individuals who have a desire to become highly effective teachers, while also meeting the needs of school districts to obtain highly qualified teachers.

iteachTEXAS Benefits

- Close relationships with school districts
- Job placements may be obtained in any school district or Texas Education Agency (TEA) recognized private or charter school
- Districts can search our database to find teachers

Field experience is an important time in the life of a teacher. It is critical, challenging and rewarding to all involved, as it is a time of great professional growth. This experience typically has a lasting effect upon a teacher’s outlook toward teaching and therefore greatly affects future generations of students.

A field experience may be approved once 30 hours of field-based observation have been logged, 150 hours of training completed (TEPC 5100 - 5300) and content mastery is demonstrated by passing the content test.

iteachTEXAS offers two routes for completion of the field experience:

1) Internship
2) Clinical Teaching

Details on the following pages.
OPTION 1: RESIDENCY

On this route, you will complete a one-year (two semester) paid internship during which time you are employed full time as a teacher in the field of your content area. In this position, you receive the salary and benefits of a first-year teacher. A long-term substitute position does not fulfill this requirement.

You must secure your own internship position through the district application/interview process. Currently, there is not a shortage of EC-6 Core Subject teachers. Since it is most difficult to obtain an EC-6 teaching position, candidates are encouraged to be flexible and open to additional content areas, such as the 4-8 Core Subject area. Also, in today’s economy, you must make yourself as marketable as possible; iteachTEXAS encourages you to test in more than one content area if you have significant content knowledge pertaining to more than one content test. More and more districts are requiring applicants to have passed the English as a Second Language (EC-12 ESL) supplemental test prior to being hired.

For the effect of supply and demand forces on the educator workforce in Texas, please visit the TEA website, http://tea.texas.gov/.

Prior to interviewing, you should accomplish 30 hours of observation, complete 150 hours of instruction, and take and pass your content certification tests.

Once you obtain an internship, you will be enrolled in the field experience course, Field Experience: The Classroom Teaching Experience. This course provides detailed information for the newly hired teacher. You will be required to submit self-reflections and classroom reflections during your Internship.

OPTION 2: CLINICAL TEACHING

iteachTEXAS offers a 14-week, five day-a-week, full day clinical teaching option. Our statewide program, which has limited enrollment period in the fall and spring semester, is designed to provide a placement based on content areas in which you have demonstrated mastery. Once your content area certification test is passed and instructional course work completed, you are eligible to participate in a clinical teaching placement in a public school. You must understand that during the clinical teaching time you are under the direction of the
classroom cooperating teacher. Failure to follow the directions and guidance of the cooperating teacher will result in release from the program.

**Your clinical teaching placement will meet the following requirements:**

- The placement school must be a public school.
- Placement is in a content area where you have demonstrated mastery.
- You must pay $1,000 of program fees at the time of your application to the clinical teaching program.
- You must have completed 30 hours of observation and TEPC 5100 – 5300 at the time of your application.
- **Receive your Standard Certificate in half the time** of other certification programs by taking advantage of our clinical teaching option. **After only one semester, you could be issued your Standard teaching Certificate.**

During placement, your cooperating teacher:

- Is certified in the state of Texas
- Has been teaching for a minimum of three years

**SUPERVISION DURING FIELD EXPERIENCE**

During the field experience placement you will be assigned a field supervisor who will make periodic classroom visits and work closely with the campus administration to ensure a successful teaching experience for you. Also, by state mandate, each school district must provide an on-campus mentor for the beginning classroom teacher. Often the first-year intern is expected to pay the school district for the mentor teacher, typically via a personal payment plan. As costs and arrangements may vary from district to district, we recommend asking your hiring school district for its policy for mentor teachers.

- Extensive classroom support
- Experienced field supervisors
- Observations throughout the field experience
PROGRAM FEES

Total Cost of Program .......................................................................................... $3,750

All program fees are non-refundable

This is the anticipated cost for a candidate who completes all iteachTEXAS program requirements according to the program timeline.

The total cost is broken down into the following fees:

Evaluation.................................................................................................................. FREE
Program Access Fee.................................................................................................. $99

The $99 is due prior to beginning online instruction

Online Course Instruction Participation........................................................................ $2,800

You are responsible for this fee of $400 associated with each instructional course in which you are enrolled. The fee may be paid as courses are completed, or the fee may be deferred until you begin field experience.

Field Experience Fee............................................................................................... $1,200

Payment Options

You have the following options for your interest free payment of fees:

1) Sign a personal payment plan indicating payments will be made monthly, over the duration of the field experience, once the field experience begins. Monthly payments are made directly to iteachTEXAS.

2) Pay for the instruction as you are participating in the course work and then pay for field experience while in the field experience.
Certification Fees

**TExES (cost per examination)**

$116

You must pass at least two certification tests (content area and PPR) prior to being recommended to the state for certification.

*Examination fees payable to Education Testing Services.*

**Certification Fees – payable to SBEC**

**Intern/Probationary Certificate Fee**

$52

**Standard Certificate Fee**

$78

**Background Check/Fingerprinting**

$52

**Renewal Fees**

**Program Continuation Fee**

$500

If you do not complete the program requirements by the end of your field experience, you must apply for a continuation. If the continuation is approved, you must pay an extension fee to be eligible to participate in the program.

**Program Extension Fee**

$2,200

In the event your residency is unsuccessful or if there is a change in your initial certification area, you may apply to participate in another placement.
Online Certification allows you to learn at your own pace and fit your schedule. iteach was created for teachers by teachers!
**CERTIFICATION TESTING**

The State Board for Educator Certification requires that each candidate for teacher certification takes and passes a minimum of two certification tests.

One test is in the specific content area and the other test is in educational pedagogy and professional responsibilities (PPR). Additionally, Bilingual Core Subject are required to take the BTLPT and EC-12 Bilingual exams.

Research has shown that individuals taking only one certification test during a test administration have a higher pass rate than individuals taking two tests on an administration date. Therefore, we suggest that you take only one test on a single administration date.

You are encouraged to be flexible and open to additional content areas, such as the 4-8 Core Subject area. Also, in today’s economy, you must make yourself as marketable as possible; iteachTEXAS encourages you to test in more than one content area if you have significant content knowledge pertaining to more than one content test. You must demonstrate content mastery to be eligible for hire.

Limited guidelines have been issued by the state and the Department of Education regarding the requirements of special education. Therefore, if you are seeking Special Education certification, you should plan to take the EC-6 Core Subject or the 4-8 Core Subject content test or test as required by your hiring school district.

Approval to take the Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities (PPR) test is not released until you have successfully completed the six instructional courses, passed your content area test (including ESL and bilingual tests, if applicable), and completed the comprehensive review course.

Study guides for the tests are available at www.texes.ets.org.

**Choice of Testing Methods**
The majority of the certification tests are offered as computer-assisted tests (CAT) several times a year; however, some tests are offered on a limited basis. For a complete listing of all tests, please visit www.texas.ets.org.

“It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge.”
~ Albert Einstein
“I cannot emphasize enough the importance of a good teacher.”
- Temple Grandin
CERTIFICATION AREAS

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the following content areas. View the content areas from the list below to view specific requirements and the subjects that can be taught by the specific certification.

**iteachTEXAS Benefits**

- Multiple Certification Areas
- Once formally accepted, test approval can be granted in multiple content areas to expand your marketability

**EC-6 Core Subject - 291**

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-6 Core Subject content area. With this certification, you may teach English, math, science, social studies, music, art, technology and physical education at the elementary level, early childhood through sixth grade.

Currently, there is not a shortage of EC-6 Core Subject teachers. (Since it is most difficult to obtain an EC-6 teaching position, we encourage you to be flexible and open to additional content areas, such as the 4-8 Core Subject area.)

Requirements: EC-6 Core Subject test passed

**4-8 Core Subject - 211**

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Core Subject content area. With this certification, you may teach any one or a combination of English, math, science and/or social studies classes at the middle school level, fourth grade through eighth grade. The single subject area tests do NOT fall under the 4-8 Core.

Requirements: 4-8 Core Subject test passed

**4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading - 117**

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading content area. With this certification, you may teach English language arts and reading at the fourth through eighth grade levels.

Requirements: 4-8 ELAR test passed

**4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading/Social Studies - 113**

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading/Social Studies content area. With this certification, you may teach both social studies and English language arts at the fourth through eighth grade levels.

Requirements: 4-8 ELAR/Social Studies passed

**4-8 Mathematics - 115**

iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Mathematics/Science content area. With this certification, you may teach both math and science at fourth through eighth grade levels.

Requirements: 4-8 Math/Science test passed
4-8 Mathematics/Science - 114
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Mathematics/Science content area. With this certification, you may teach both math and science at the fourth through eighth grade levels.

Requirements: 4-8 Math/Science test passed

4-8 Science - 116
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Science content area. With this certification, you may teach science at the fourth through eighth grade levels.

Requirements: 4-8 Science test passed

4-8 Social Studies - 118
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 4-8 Social Studies content area. With this certification, you may teach social studies at the fourth through eighth grade levels.

Requirements: 4-8 Social Studies test passed

6-12 Dance - 279
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Dance content area. With this certification, you may teach dance at the sixth grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 6-12 Dance test passed

6-12 Family and Consumer Sciences – register for this test through American Association of Family & Consumer Science
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Family and Consumer Sciences content area. You may teach Family and Consumer Sciences at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: 6-12 Family and Consumer Sciences test passed

6-12 Health Science - 273
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Health Science Technology Education content area.

Requirements:
- Associate or more advanced degree from an accredited institution
- Current licensure, certification, or registration by a nationally recognized accrediting agency as a health professions practitioner
- Two years of full-time wage-earning experience as a health professions practitioner in a field that is nationally recognized by an accrediting agency. This will be verified by iteachTEXAS.
- Eligible military experience may be used in lieu of civilian licensure; iteachTEXAS will review for eligibility.
- 6-12 Health Science exam passed

6-12 Marketing Education - 275
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Marketing Education content area.

Requirements:
- Must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Two years wage earning experience in at least one of the marketing fields
- 6-12 Marketing Education test passed
6-12 Physical Science - 237
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Physical Science content area. With this certification, you may teach chemistry, physics and/or integrated physics and chemistry at the sixth grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 6-12 Physical Science test passed

6-12 Technology Education - 171
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Technology Education content area.

Requirements: 6-12 Technology Education test passed

6-12 Trade and Industrial Education - 270
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the Trade and Industrial Education content area.

Requirements:

• Have two to five years of full-time wage-earning experience within the past ten years
• Current licensure, certification, or registration by a state or nationally recognized accrediting agency in any approved occupations for the classes you will be teaching
• Pass the appropriate National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) assessment if licensure, certification, or registration is not based on a recognized test or measurement
• Eligible military experience may be used in lieu of civilian licensure and wage-earning experience; iteachTExAS will review for eligibility.
• 6-12 Trade and Industrial education test passed

7-12 Chemistry - 240
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Chemistry content area. With this certification, you may teach chemistry at the seventh grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 Chemistry test passed

7-12 English, Language Arts, Reading - 231
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 English, Language Arts, Reading content area. With this certification, you may teach English, language arts and reading at the seventh through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 English test passed

7-12 History - 233
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 History content area. With this certification, you may teach history at the seventh grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 History test passed

7-12 Journalism - 256
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Journalism content area. With this certification, you may teach journalism at the seventh grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 Journalism test passed

7-12 Life Science - 238
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Life Science content area. With this certification, you may teach at the seventh grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 Life Science test passed

7-12 Trade and Industrial Education - 270
iteachTExAS offers teacher certification in the Trade and Industrial Education content area.

Requirements:

• Have two to five years of full-time wage-earning experience within the past ten years
• Current licensure, certification, or registration by a state or nationally recognized accrediting agency in any approved occupations for the classes you will be teaching
• Pass the appropriate National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) assessment if licensure, certification, or registration is not based on a recognized test or measurement
• Eligible military experience may be used in lieu of civilian licensure and wage-earning experience; iteachTExAS will review for eligibility.
• 6-12 Trade and Industrial education test passed
7-12 Mathematics - 235
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Mathematics content area. With this certification, you may teach math at the seventh grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 Math test passed

7-12 Physics/Mathematics - 243
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Physics/Mathematics dual content area. With this certification, you may teach both math and physics at the seventh through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 Physics/Mathematics test passed

7-12 Science - 236
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Science content area. With this certification, you may teach biology, chemistry, physics and/or integrated physics and chemistry at the seventh grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 Science test passed

7-12 Social Studies - 232
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Social Studies content area. With this certification, you may teach history, political science/government, economics or geography at the seventh grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 Social Studies test passed

7-12 Speech - 129
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 7-12 Speech content area. With this certification, you may teach speech communications at the seventh grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 7-12 Speech test passed

8-12 Computer Science - 241
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Computer Science content area. With this certification, you may teach computer science at the eighth grade through twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: 8-12 Computer Science test passed

8-12 Hospitality, Nutrition, and Food Sciences - register for this test through American Association of Family & Consumer Science
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the 8-12 Hospitality, Nutrition and Food Sciences content area. You may teach Human Development and Family Studies at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: 8-12 Hospitality, Nutrition and Food Science test passed

8-12 Human Development and Family Studies - register for this test through American Association of Family & Consumer Science
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the Human Development and Family Studies content area. You may teach Human Development and Family Studies at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: 8-12 Human Development and Family Studies test passed
EC-12 American Sign Language - 184
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 American Sign Language content area. With this certification, you may teach American Sign Language (ASL) at the elementary school through high school levels.
Requirements: EC-12 ASL test passed

EC-12 Arabic
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Arabic content area. With this certification, you may teach Arabic at the elementary school through high school levels.
Requirements: EC-12 Arabic test passed

EC-12 Art - 178
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Art content area. With this certification, you may teach art at the elementary school through high school levels.
Requirements: EC-12 Art test passed

EC-12 Chinese
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Chinese content area. With this certification, you may teach Chinese at the elementary school through high school levels.
Requirements: EC-12 Chinese test passed

EC-12 Deaf and Hard of Hearing - 181
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Deaf and Hard of Hearing content area.
Requirements: EC-12 Deaf and Hard of Hearing test passed

EC-12 ESL Supplemental - 154
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 ESL (English as a Second Language) Supplemental content area. This supplement may only be attached to a content area once you have passed the TExES test for your specific certification area.

EC-12 French - 610
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 French content area. With this certification, you may teach French at the elementary through the twelfth grade levels.
Requirements: EC-12 French test passed

EC-12 German - 611
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 German content area. With this certification, you may teach German at the elementary through the twelfth grade levels.
Requirements: EC-12 German test passed

EC-12 Health - 157
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Health content area. With this certification, you may teach health at the elementary school through high school levels.
Requirements: EC-12 Health test passed.

EC-12 Japanese
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Japanese content area. With this certification, you may teach Japanese at the elementary school through high school levels.
Requirements: EC-12 Japanese test passed
**EC-12 Latin - 612**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Latin content area. With this certification, you may teach Latin at the at the elementary through the twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: EC-12 Latin test passed

**EC-12 Music - 177**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Music content area. With this certification, you may teach music at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: EC-12 Music test passed

**EC-12 Physical Education - 158**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Physical Education content area. With this certification, you may teach physical education at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: EC-12 PE test passed

**EC-12 Russian**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Russian content area. With this certification, you may teach Russian at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: EC-12 Russian test passed

**EC-12 Spanish - 613**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Spanish content area. With this certification, you may teach Spanish at the at the elementary through the twelfth grade level.

Requirements: EC-12 Spanish test passed

**EC-12 Special Education - 161**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Special Education content area. With this certification, you may teach life skills, content mastery, inclusion or any course designated by the district as special education. An additional content test may be required.

Requirements: EC-12 Special Education test passed and additional content area exam passed as needed

**EC-12 Technology Applications - 242**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Technology Applications content area. With this certification, you may teach technology applications at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: EC-12 Technology Applications test passed

**EC-12 Theatre - 180**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Theatre content area. With this certification, you may teach theatre arts at the elementary through high school levels.

Requirements: EC-12 Theatre test passed

**EC-12 Vietnamese**
iteachTEXAS offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Vietnamese content area. With this certification, you may teach Vietnamese at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: EC-12 Vietnamese test passed

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“Those who don’t know must learn from those who do.” - Plato, The Republic
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COMPLAINT POLICY

iteachTEXAS continually strives to provide each candidate with the best service possible. If you have any complaint regarding the iteachTEXAS program, please submit your concerns in writing within 10 working days of the occurrence of the concern to:

Zach Rozell
admin@iteach.net
or 940-383-8100

In your correspondence, please provide your current role (candidate, principal, etc.) The complaint policy of iteachTEXAS requires that the first point of contact for resolution of a dispute be iteachTEXAS and not a third party while iteachTEXAS investigates a compliant. No other party can be used. Also citation of Texas Administrative Code or Letter of Agreement violation must be included in the complaint.

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