School of Interdisciplinary Studies

Education (BA, BS)

UT Dallas offers both a Bachelor of Arts in Education degree (BAED) and a Bachelor of Science in Education degree (BSED) through the School of Interdisciplinary Studies. Each degree emphasizes a broader understanding and wider perspective of the field of education. Becoming a teacher takes preparation and planning. To ensure the highest professional standards, the state of Texas and The University of Texas at Dallas require students to pass a series of rigorous courses, complete extensive fieldwork and demonstrate their knowledge of content and educational expertise on state licensure exams to become fully certified as a highly qualified teacher in Texas. The Teacher Development Center (TDC) at UT Dallas offers all the preparation courses required for teacher certification, including practical classes in curriculum and instruction, educational technology, and classroom management. The TDC interfaces and engages with all academic schools at UT Dallas, as well as 22 area school districts, to assist students as they progress through the Teacher Certification Program.

All BAED and BSED students are required to select a certification focus before their junior year.

**BA certification tracks include:**

- Early Childhood-Grade 6
  - **EC-6 Core Subjects**

- Grades 4-8
  - **4-8 Core Subjects**
  - **4-8 English, Language Arts and Reading (ELAR)**
  - **4-8 Science**
  - **4-8 Social Studies**

- Grades 7-12
  - **7-12 Social Studies with a concentration in Economics**
  - **7-12 Social Studies with a concentration in Geography**
  - **7-12 Social Studies with a concentration in Government**
  - **7-12 Social Studies with a concentration in History**

**BS certification tracks include:**

- **4-8 Mathematics**
- **4-8 Science**

**Bachelor of Arts in Education with EC-6 Core**
Subjects

**Degree Requirements** *(120 semester credit hours)*

*View an Example of Degree Requirements by Semester*

Faculty

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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

**Communication:** 6 semester credit hours

- **COMM 1311** Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
- **RHET 1302** Rhetoric

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Communication Core** courses (see advisor)

**Mathematics:** 3 semester credit hours

- **MATH 1314** College Algebra

Or select any 3 semester credit hours from **Mathematics Core** courses (see advisor)

**Life and Physical Sciences:** 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from **Life and Physical Sciences Core** courses (see advisor)

**Language, Philosophy and Culture:** 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours from **Language, Philosophy and Culture Core** courses (see advisor)

**Creative Arts:** 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours **Creative Arts Core** courses (see advisor)

**American History:** 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from **American History Core** courses (see advisor)

**Government/Political Science:** 6 semester credit hours
GOVT 2305 American National Government
GOVT 2306 State and Local Government
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Government/Political Science Core courses (see advisor)

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours
Select any 3 semester credit hours from Social and Behavioral Sciences Core courses. (see advisor)

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours
Select any 6 semester credit hours from Component Area Option Core courses. (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 72-75 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

Major Preparatory Courses: 0-3 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum
CLDP 2314 or PSY 2314 Lifespan Development

Foundations: 24 semester credit hours

Foundation I: Behavioral and Brain Sciences: 6 semester credit hours
6 semester credit hours of lower or upper-level PSY, CLDP, SPAU, NSC, CGS courses

Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 18 semester credit hours
AMS 4300 Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom
BIS 3320 The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry
BIS 4306 Strategies for Diversity in Education
3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level course from AMS, GST, ISIS, or BIS 4V01 course
3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS course
3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS or ISNS course

General Education Courses: 48 semester credit hours
ED 3314 The American Public School
ED 3315 Children's Literature
ED 3339 Educational Psychology for Teachers
or PSY 3339 Educational Psychology
ED 3340 Math Concepts for Teachers
ED 3345 Art, Music, and Physical Development Grades EC - 6
Bachelor of Arts in Education with 4-8 Core Subjects

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)¹

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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours²

Communication: 6 semester credit hours

COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication

RHET 1302 Rhetoric

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Communication Core courses (see advisor)

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours

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MATH 1314 College Algebra
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Mathematics Core courses (see advisor)

Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours
Select any 6 semester credit hours from Life and Physical Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours
Select any 3 semester credit hours from Language, Philosophy and Culture Core courses (see advisor)

Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours
Select any 3 semester credit hours Creative Arts Core courses (see advisor)

American History: 6 semester credit hours
Select any 6 semester credit hours from American History Core courses (see advisor)

Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours
GOVT 2305 American National Government
GOVT 2306 State and Local Government
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Government/Political Science Core courses (see advisor)

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours
Select any 3 semester credit hours from Social and Behavioral Sciences Core courses.² (see advisor)

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours
MATH 1316 Trigonometry
or MATH 2306 Analytic Geometry
STAT 1342 Statistical Decision Making
or PSY 2317 Statistics for Psychology
Select any 6 semester credit hours from Component Area Option Core courses.³ (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 75 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

Foundations: 30 semester credit hours
Foundation I: 12 semester credit hours
12 semester credit hours of lower or upper-level courses from selected Foundation
Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 18 semester credit hours

- AMS 4300 Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom
- BIS 3320 The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry
- BIS 4306 Strategies for Diversity in Education

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level course from AMS, GST, ISIS, or BIS 4V01 course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS or ISNS course

General Education Courses: 45 semester credit hours

- ED 3314 The American Public School
- ED 3315 Children's Literature
- ED 3339 Educational Psychology for Teachers
  or PSY 3339 Educational Psychology
- ED 3340 Math Concepts for Teachers
- ED 4351 ESL for K-12 Teachers
- ED 4352 Reading I: Learning to Read
- ED 4372 Educational Technology
- ED 4693 Student Teaching - Elementary

18 semester credit hours of upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

III. Electives: 3 semester credit hours

Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour

- UNIV 1010 Freshman Seminar
- BIS 1100 Interdisciplinary Studies Freshman Seminar

Free Electives: 2 semester credit hours

2 semester credit hour of lower or upper-level electives

Bachelor of Arts in Education with 4-8 English, Language Arts and Reading (ELAR)

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)
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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

Communication: 6 semester credit hours

- **COMM 1311** Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
- **RHET 1302** Rhetoric

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Communication Core courses (see advisor)

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours

- **MATH 1314** College Algebra

Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Mathematics Core courses (see advisor)

Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from Life and Physical Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours from Language, Philosophy and Culture Core courses (see advisor)

Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours Creative Arts Core courses (see advisor)

American History: 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from American History Core courses (see advisor)

Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours

- **GOVT 2305** American National Government
- **GOVT 2306** State and Local Government

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Government/Political Science Core courses (see advisor)
Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours from Social and Behavioral Sciences Core courses.3 (see advisor)

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from Component Area Option Core courses.3 (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 72 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

Foundations: 36 semester credit hours

Foundation I: Arts and Humanities: 21 semester credit hours

LIT 2350 Close Reading
LIT 3330 Linguistics
or BIS 4306 Strategies for Diversity in Education
LIT 3339 Writing Literary Studies

3 semester credit hour upper-level course from AHST, ARTS, COMM, CRWT, DANC, FILM, MUSI, or T HEA

3 semester credit hour upper-level HIST course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level LIT course

3 semester credit hour upper-level LIT course

Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 15 semester credit hours

AMS 4300 Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom
BIS 3320 The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level course from AMS, GST, ISIS, or BIS 4V01 course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS or ISNS course

General Education Courses: 36 semester credit hours

ED 3314 The American Public School
ED 3315 Children's Literature
ED 3339 Educational Psychology for Teachers
or PSY 3339 Educational Psychology
ED 4351 ESL for K-12 Teachers
ED 4352 Reading I: Learning to Read
ED 4372 Educational Technology
ED 4693 Student Teaching - Elementary
or ED 4694 Student Teaching Secondary
12 semester credit hours of upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

III. Electives: 6 semester credit hours

Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour
UNIV 1010 Freshman Seminar
BIS 1100 Interdisciplinary Studies Freshman Seminar

Free Electives: 5 semester credit hours
5 semester credit hours of lower or upper-level electives

Bachelor of Arts in Education with 4-8 Science
Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)¹

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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours²

Communication: 6 semester credit hours
COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
RHET 1302 Rhetoric
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Communication Core courses (see advisor)

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours
**MATH 1314** College Algebra

Or select any 3 semester credit hours from **Mathematics Core** courses (see advisor)

**Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours**

**BIOL 2311** Introduction to Modern Biology I

or **BIOL 1300** Body Systems with Lab

**BIOL 2312** Introduction to Modern Biology II

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Life and Physical Sciences Core** courses (see advisor)

**Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours**

Select any 3 semester credit hours from **Language, Philosophy and Culture Core** courses (see advisor)

**Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours**

Select any 3 semester credit hours **Creative Arts Core** courses (see advisor)

**American History: 6 semester credit hours**

Select any 6 semester credit hours from **American History Core** courses (see advisor)

**Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours**

**GOVT 2305** American National Government

**GOVT 2306** State and Local Government

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Government/Political Science Core** courses (see advisor)

**Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours**

Select any 3 semester credit hours from **Social and Behavioral Sciences Core** courses. (see advisor)

**Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours**

**CHEM 1311** General Chemistry I

and **CHEM 1111** General Chemistry Laboratory I

**NATS 1311** The Universe, and Everything Else

or **PHYS 1301** College Physics I

and **PHYS 2125** Physics Laboratory I

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Component Area Option Core** courses. (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 54-66 semester credit hours beyond
Core Curriculum

Major Preparatory Courses: 0-10 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

**GEOS 1303** Physical Geology

**or** **GEOS 1304** History of Earth and Life

**ISNS 2367** The Oceans

**or** **ISNS 2359** Earthquakes and Volcanoes

**ISNS 2368** Weather and Climate

**or** **ISNS 2366** Global Climate Change

Foundations: 27-29 semester credit hours

**Foundation I: Natural Science and Mathematics: 9-11 semester credit hours**

**BIOL 3318** Forensic Biology

**or** **BIOL 3456** Human Anatomy and Physiology with Lab II

**BIOL 3388** Honey Bee Biology

**or** **BIOL 3455** Human Anatomy and Physiology with Lab I

**ISNS 3373** Our Nearest Neighbors in the Sky

**Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 18 semester credit hours**

**AMS 4300** Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom

**BIS 3320** The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry

**BIS 4306** Strategies for Diversity in Education

**NSC 3361** Introduction to Neuroscience

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level course from **AMS, GST, ISIS, or BIS 4V01** course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level **ISIS** course

General Education Courses: 27 semester credit hours

**ED 3314** The American Public School

**ED 3339** Educational Psychology for Teachers

**ED 4351** ESL for K-12 Teachers

**ED 4353** Reading in Secondary Content

**ED 4372** Educational Technology
ED 4693 Student Teaching - Elementary
6 semester credit hours of upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

III. Electives: 12-24 semester credit hours

Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour

UNIV 1010 Freshman Seminar
BIS 1100 Interdisciplinary Studies Freshman Seminar

Free Electives: 11-23 semester credit hours

11-23 semester credit hours of lower or upper-level electives

Bachelor of Arts in Education with 4-8 Social Studies

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)

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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

Communication: 6 semester credit hours

COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
RHET 1302 Rhetoric

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Communication Core courses (see advisor)

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours

MATH 1314 College Algebra

Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Mathematics Core courses (see advisor)

Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours
Select any 6 semester credit hours from the Life and Physical Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours
Select any 3 semester credit hours from the Language, Philosophy and Culture Core courses (see advisor)

Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours
Select any 3 semester credit hours from the Creative Arts Core courses (see advisor)

American History: 6 semester credit hours
HIST 1301 U.S. History Survey to Civil War
HIST 1302 U.S. History Survey from Civil War
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from the American History Core courses (see advisor)

Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours
GOVT 2305 American National Government
GOVT 2306 State and Local Government
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from the Government/Political Science Core courses (see advisor)

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours
ECON 2301 Principles of Macroeconomics
or ECON 2302 Principles of Microeconomics
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from the Social and Behavioral Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours
Select any 6 semester credit hours from the Component Area Option Core courses (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 60-63 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

Major Preparatory Courses: 0-6 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum
GEOG 2302 The Global Environment
or GEOG 2303 People and Place: An Introduction to World Geographic Regions
HIST 2301 History of Texas

Foundations: 30 semester credit hours
Foundation I: Economic, Political and Policy Sciences: 9 semester credit hours
ECON 3332 Economic Geography
  or ECON 3337 Economics of Poverty and Inequality
  or ECON 4320 Public Sector Economics

GEOG 3331 Urban Growth and Structure
  or GEOG 3359 Human Migration and Mobility: Global Patterns
  or GEOG 3370 The Global Economy

PSCI 3323 American Federalism
  or PSCI 3362 The American Political Institutions

*Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 21 semester credit hours*

AMS 4300 Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom
AMS 4305 World History for Teachers
BIS 3320 The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry

3 semester credit hour upper-level HIST course
3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level course from AMS, GST, ISIS, or BIS 4V01 course
3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS course
3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS or ISNS course

*General Education Courses: 27 semester credit hours*

ED 3314 The American Public School
ED 3339 Educational Psychology for Teachers
  or PSY 3339 Educational Psychology
ED 4351 ESL for K-12 Teachers
ED 4353 Reading in Secondary Content
ED 4372 Educational Technology
ED 4693 Student Teaching - Elementary
  or ED 4694 Student Teaching Secondary

6 semester credit hours of upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

*III. Electives: 15-21 semester credit hours*

*Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour*

UNIV 1010 Freshman Seminar
Bachelor of Arts in Education with 7-12 Social Studies (Economics Concentration)

**Degree Requirements** (120 semester credit hours)

**View an Example of Degree Requirements by Semester**

I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

**Communication:** 6 semester credit hours

- **COMM 1311** Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
- **RHET 1302** Rhetoric

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Communication Core** courses (see advisor)

**Mathematics:** 3 semester credit hours

- **MATH 1325** Applied Calculus 1, 6, 7

Or select any 3 semester credit hours from **Mathematics Core** courses (see advisor)

**Life and Physical Sciences:** 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from **Life and Physical Sciences Core** courses (see advisor)

**Language, Philosophy and Culture:** 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours from **Language, Philosophy and Culture Core** courses (see advisor)

**Creative Arts:** 3 semester credit hours
Select any 3 semester credit hours Creative Arts Core courses (see advisor)

American History: 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from American History Core courses (see advisor)

Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours

GOVT 2305 American National Government
GOVT 2306 State and Local Government

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Government/Political Science Core courses (see advisor)

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours

ECON 2301 Principles of Macroeconomics
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Social and Behavioral Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours

STAT 1342 Statistical Decision Making
or EPPS 2302 Methods of Quantitative Analysis in the Social and Policy Sciences
ECON 2302 Principles of Microeconomics

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Component Area Option Core courses (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 57-66 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

Major Preparatory Courses: 0-9 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

ECON 2301 Principles of Macroeconomics
ECON 2302 Principles of Microeconomics
GEOG 2302 The Global Environment
GEOG 2303 People and Place: An Introduction to World Geographic Regions
HIST 2301 History of Texas

MATH 1325 Applied Calculus

Foundations: 33 semester credit hours

Foundation I: Economic, Political and Policy Sciences: 18 semester credit hours

ECON 3330 Economics of Health
or ECON 3337 Economics of Poverty and Inequality
or **ECON 3381** Economic History

**ECON 3310** Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

**ECON 3311** Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory

**ECON 3312** Money and Banking

or **ECON 4360** International Trade

**ECON 4320** Public Sector Economics

or **ECON 4345** Industrial Organization

**ECON 4362** Development Economics

or **ECON 4382** International Finance

*Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 15 semester credit hours*

**AMS 4300** Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom

**AMS 4305** World History for Teachers

**BIS 3320** The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level **ISIS** course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level **ISIS** or **ISNS** course

*General Education Courses: 24 semester credit hours*

**ED 3314** The American Public School

**ED 3339** Educational Psychology for Teachers

or **PSY 3339** Educational Psychology

**ED 4353** Reading in Secondary Content

**ED 4372** Educational Technology

**ED 4694** Student Teaching Secondary

or **ED 4693** Student Teaching - Elementary

6 semester credit hours of upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

III. Electives: 12-21 semester credit hours

*Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour*

**UNIV 1010** Freshman Seminar

**BIS 1100** Interdisciplinary Studies Freshman Seminar

*Free Electives: 11-20 semester credit hours*
Bachelor of Arts in Education with 7-12 Social Studies (Geography Concentration)

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)

View an Example of Degree Requirements by Semester

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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

Communication: 6 semester credit hours

COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
RHET 1302 Rhetoric
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Communication Core courses (see advisor)

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours

MATH 1314 College Algebra
Or select any 3 semester credit hour from Mathematics Core courses (see advisor)

Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours

GEOS 1303 Physical Geology
GEOS 1304 History of Earth and Life
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Life and Physical Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours from Language, Philosophy and Culture Core courses (see advisor)

Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours Creative Arts Core courses (see advisor)
American History: 6 semester credit hours
Select any 6 semester credit hours from American History Core courses (see advisor)

Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours
GOVT 2305 American National Government
GOVT 2306 State and Local Government
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Government/Political Science Core courses (see advisor)

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours
GEOG 2303 People and Place: An Introduction to World Geographic Regions
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Social and Behavioral Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours
ECON 2301 Principles of Macroeconomics
GEOG 2302 The Global Environment
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Component Area Option Core courses (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 52-61 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

Major Preparatory Courses: 1-10 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum
ECON 2301 Principles of Macroeconomics
ECON 2302 Principles of Microeconomics
GEOG 2302 The Global Environment
GEOG 2303 People and Place: An Introduction to World Geographic Regions
GEOS 1303 Physical Geology
and GEOS 1103 Physical Geology Laboratory
GEOS 1304 History of Earth and Life
GEOS 2310 Environmental Geology
HIST 2301 History of Texas

Foundations: 27 semester credit hours
Foundation I: Economic, Political and Policy Sciences: 12 semester credit hours
GEOG 3359 Human Migration and Mobility: Global Patterns
Bachelor of Arts in Education with 7-12 Social Studies (Government Concentration)

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)
**View an Example of Degree Requirements by Semester**

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### I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

**Communication:** 6 semester credit hours

- **COMM 1311** Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication  
- **RHET 1302** Rhetoric  
  Or select any 6 semester credit hours from [Communication Core](https://catalog.utdallas.edu/2021/undergraduate/programs/is/education) courses (see advisor)

**Mathematics:** 3 semester credit hours

- **MATH 1314** College Algebra  
  Or select any 3 semester credit hours from [Mathematics Core](https://catalog.utdallas.edu/2021/undergraduate/programs/is/education) courses (see advisor)

**Life and Physical Sciences:** 6 semester credit hours

- Select any 6 semester credit hours from [Life and Physical Sciences Core](https://catalog.utdallas.edu/2021/undergraduate/programs/is/education) courses (see advisor)

**Language, Philosophy and Culture:** 3 semester credit hours

- Select any 3 semester credit hours from [Language, Philosophy and Culture Core](https://catalog.utdallas.edu/2021/undergraduate/programs/is/education) courses (see advisor)

**Creative Arts:** 3 semester credit hours

- Select any 3 semester credit hours [Creative Arts Core](https://catalog.utdallas.edu/2021/undergraduate/programs/is/education) courses (see advisor)

**American History:** 6 semester credit hours

- Select any 6 semester credit hours from [American History Core](https://catalog.utdallas.edu/2021/undergraduate/programs/is/education) courses (see advisor)

**Government/Political Science:** 6 semester credit hours

- **GOVT 2305** American National Government  
- **GOVT 2306** State and Local Government  
  Or select any 6 semester credit hours from [Government/Political Science Core](https://catalog.utdallas.edu/2021/undergraduate/programs/is/education) courses (see advisor)
Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours

**GEOG 2303** People and Place: An Introduction to World Geographic Regions

Or select any 3 semester credit hours from **Social and Behavioral Sciences Core** courses.\(^3\) (see advisor)

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours

**ECON 2301** Principles of Macroeconomics\(^5\)

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Component Area Option Core** courses.\(^3\) (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 63-66 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

Major Preparatory Courses: 0-3 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

**HIST 2301** History of Texas\(^4\)

Foundations: 39 semester credit hours

*Foundation I: Economic, Political and Policy Sciences: 24 semester credit hours*

**PSCI 3301** Political Theory

**PSCI 3306** Political Economy

**PSCI 3310** Managing Government Organizations

* or **PSCI 3362** The American Political Institutions

* or 3 semester credit hour upper-level **PSCI** course

**PSCI 3323** American Federalism

* or **PSCI 4329** Global Politics

* or **PSCI 4354** Contemporary Political Thought

* or **PSCI 4V99** Senior Honors in Government and Politics

**PSCI 3327** American Foreign Policy

* or **PSCI 3328** International Relations

* or **PSCI 3333** Political Behavior

* or **PSCI 3350** Comparative Politics

**PSCI 4364** Civil Rights Law and Society

* or **PSCI 3303** Civil Liberties

* or **PSCI 3322** Constitutional Law
3 semester credit hour upper-level ECON course
3 semester credit hour upper-level GEOG course

*Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 15 semester credit hours*

- **AMS 4300** Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom
- **AMS 4305** World History for Teachers
- **BIS 3320** The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS course
3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level ISIS or ISNS course

*General Education Courses: 24 semester credit hours*

- **ED 3314** The American Public School
- **ED 3339** Educational Psychology for Teachers
- or **PSY 3339** Educational Psychology
- **ED 4353** Reading in Secondary Content
- **ED 4372** Educational Technology
- **ED 4694** Student Teaching Secondary
- or **ED 4693** Student Teaching - Elementary

6 semester credit hours of upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

*III. Electives: 12-15 semester credit hours*

*Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour*

- **UNIV 1010** Freshman Seminar
- **BIS 1100** Interdisciplinary Studies Freshman Seminar

*Free Electives: 11-14 semester credit hours*

11-14 semester credit hours of lower or upper-level electives

**Bachelor of Arts in Education with 7-12 Social Studies (History Concentration)**

*Degree Requirements* (120 semester credit hours)

*View an Example of Degree Requirements by Semester*
Faculty

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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

Communication: 6 semester credit hours

COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
RHET 1302 Rhetoric
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Communication Core courses (see advisor)

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours

MATH 1314 College Algebra
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Mathematics Core courses (see advisor)

Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from Life and Physical Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours from Language, Philosophy and Culture Core courses (see advisor)

Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours Creative Arts Core courses (see advisor)

American History: 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from American History Core courses (see advisor)

Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours

GOVT 2305 American National Government
GOVT 2306 State and Local Government
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Government/Political Science Core courses (see advisor)

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours
**GEOG 2303** People and Place: An Introduction to World Geographic Regions

Or select any 3 semester credit hours from **Social and Behavioral Sciences Core** courses. (see advisor)

**Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours**

**ECON 2301** Principles of Macroeconomics

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Component Area Option Core** courses. (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 63-66 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

**Major Preparatory Courses: 0-3 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum**

**HIST 2301** History of Texas

**Foundations: 39 semester credit hours**

*Foundation I: Economic, Political and Policy Sciences: 12 semester credit hours*

3 semester credit hour upper-level **ECON** course

3 semester credit hour upper-level **GEOG** course

3 semester credit hour upper-level **PSCI** course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level **PSCI** course

*Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 27 semester credit hours*

**AMS 4300** Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom

**AMS 4305** World History for Teachers

**BIS 3320** The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry

**HIST 3301** Historical Inquiry

9 semester credit hours of upper-level **HIST** courses

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level **ISIS** course

3 semester credit hour lower- or upper-level **ISIS** or **ISNS** course

**General Education Courses: 24 semester credit hours**

**ED 3314** The American Public School

**ED 3339** Educational Psychology for Teachers

or **PSY 3339** Educational Psychology

**ED 4353** Reading in Secondary Content
ED 4372 Educational Technology
ED 4694 Student Teaching Secondary
or ED 4693 Student Teaching - Elementary
6 semester credit hours of upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

III. Electives: 12-15 semester credit hours

Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour
UNIV 1010 Freshman Seminar
BIS 1100 Interdisciplinary Studies Freshman Seminar

Free Electives: 11-14 semester credit hours
11-14 semester credit hours of lower or upper-level electives

Bachelor of Science in Education with 4-8 Mathematics

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)¹

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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours²

Communication: 6 semester credit hours
COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
RHET 1302 Rhetoric
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Communication Core courses (see advisor)

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours
**MATH 2413** Differential Calculus

or **MATH 2417** Calculus I

Or select any 3 semester credit hours from **Mathematics Core** courses³ (see advisor)

**Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours**

Select any 6 semester credit hours from **Life and Physical Sciences Core** courses (see advisor)

**Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours**

Select any 3 semester credit hours from **Language, Philosophy and Culture Core** courses (see advisor)

**Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours**

Select any 3 semester credit hours **Creative Arts Core** courses (see advisor)

**American History: 6 semester credit hours**

Select any 6 semester credit hours from **American History Core** courses (see advisor)

**Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours**

**GOVT 2305** American National Government

**GOVT 2306** State and Local Government

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Government/Political Science Core** courses (see advisor)

**Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours**

Select any 3 semester credit hours from **Social and Behavioral Sciences Core** courses.² (see advisor)

**Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours**

**MATH 2414** Integral Calculus

or **MATH 2419** Calculus II

**MATH 2415** Calculus of Several Variables

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from **Component Area Option Core** courses.³ (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 66-72 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

**Major Preparatory Courses: 0-3 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum**

**MATH 2312** Precalculus⁵
Foundations: 39-42 semester credit hours

Foundation I: Natural Science and Mathematics: 21-24 semester credit hours

- **MATH 2333** Matrices, Vectors, and Their Application
  - or **MATH 2418** Linear Algebra
- **MATH 3303** Introduction to Mathematical Modeling
- **MATH 3305** Foundations of Measurement and Informal Geometry
  - or **MATH 3321** Geometry
- **MATH 3307** Mathematical Problem Solving for Teachers
- **STAT 3360** Probability and Statistics for Management and Economics

Two 3-4 semester credit hour upper-level Mathematics or Science courses (see advisor)

Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 18 semester credit hours

- **AMS 4300** Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom
- **BIS 3320** The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry
- **BIS 4306** Strategies for Diversity in Education
  - 9 semester credit hours of lower- or upper-level **ISNS** courses

General Education Courses: 27 semester credit hours

- **ED 3314** The American Public School
- **ED 3339** Educational Psychology for Teachers
- **ED 4351** ESL for K-12 Teachers
- **ED 4353** Reading in Secondary Content
- **ED 4372** Educational Technology
- **ED 4693** Student Teaching - Elementary
  - or **ED 4694** Student Teaching Secondary
  - 6 semester credit hours of upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

III. Electives: 6-12 semester credit hours

Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour

- **UNIV 1010** Freshman Seminar
- **BIS 1100** Interdisciplinary Studies Freshman Seminar
Free Electives: 5-11 semester credit hours
5-11 semester credit hours of lower or upper-level electives

Bachelor of Science in Education with 4-8 Science

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)

View an Example of Degree Requirements by Semester

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I. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

Communication: 6 semester credit hours

COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
RHET 1302 Rhetoric
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Communication Core courses (see advisor)

Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours

MATH 1325 Applied Calculus I
or MATH 2413 Differential Calculus
or MATH 2417 Calculus I
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Mathematics Core courses (see advisor)

Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours

BIOL 2311 Introduction to Modern Biology I
or BIOL 1300 Body Systems with Lab
BIOL 2312 Introduction to Modern Biology II
Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Life and Physical Sciences Core courses (see advisor)

Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours
Select any 3 semester credit hours from Language, Philosophy and Culture Core courses (see advisor)

Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours Creative Arts Core courses (see advisor)

American History: 6 semester credit hours

Select any 6 semester credit hours from American History Core courses (see advisor)

Government/Political Science: 6 semester credit hours

GOVT 2305 American National Government
GOVT 2306 State and Local Government

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Government/Political Science Core courses (see advisor)

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours

Select any 3 semester credit hours from Social and Behavioral Sciences Core courses. (see advisor)

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours

MATH 1326 Applied Calculus II
or MATH 2414 Integral Calculus
or MATH 2419 Calculus II
MATH 2415 Calculus of Several Variables

Or select any 6 semester credit hours from Component Area Option Core courses. (see advisor)

II. Major Requirements: 54-76 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

Major Preparatory Courses: 0-18 semester credit hours beyond Core Curriculum

CHEM 1311 General Chemistry I and CHEM 1111 General Chemistry Laboratory I
GEOS 1303 Physical Geology and GEOS 1103 Physical Geology Laboratory
or GEOS 1304 History of Earth and Life and GEOS 1104 History of Earth and Life Laboratory
or GEOS 2310 Environmental Geology
ISNS 2367 The Oceans
or ISNS 2359 Earthquakes and Volcanoes
ISNS 2368 Weather and Climate
or ISNS 2366 Global Climate Change
NATS 1311 The Universe, and Everything Else or PHYS 1301 College Physics I and PHYS 2125 Physics Laboratory I

Foundations: 27-31 semester credit hours

Foundation I: Natural Science and Mathematics: 15-19 semester credit hours

BIOL 3318 Forensic Biology

or BIOL 3456 Human Anatomy and Physiology with Lab II

BIOL 3388 Honey Bee Biology

or BIOL 3455 Human Anatomy and Physiology with Lab I

ISNS 3373 Our Nearest Neighbors in the Sky

Two 3-4 semester credit hour upper-level Mathematics or Science courses (see advisor)

Foundation II: Interdisciplinary Studies: 12 semester credit hours

AMS 4300 Oral and Written Communication for the Classroom

BIS 3320 The Nature of Intellectual Inquiry

BIS 4306 Strategies for Diversity in Education

NSC 3361 Introduction to Neuroscience

General Education Courses: 27 semester credit hours

ED 3314 The American Public School

ED 3339 Educational Psychology for Teachers

ED 4351 ESL for K-12 Teachers

ED 4353 Reading in Secondary Content

ED 4372 Educational Technology

ED 4693 Student Teaching - Elementary

or ED 4694 Student Teaching Secondary

6 semester credit hour upper-level ED courses (see advisor)

III. Electives: 2-24 semester credit hours

Guided Electives: 1 semester credit hour

UNIV 1010 Freshman Seminar

BIS 1100 Interdisciplinary Studies Freshman Seminar
Free Electives: 1-23 semester credit hours

1-23 semester credit hours of lower or upper-level electives

1. Incoming freshmen must enroll and complete requirements of UNIV 1010 and the corresponding school-related freshman seminar course. Students, including transfer students, who complete their core curriculum at UT Dallas must take UNIV 2020.

2. Curriculum Requirements can be fulfilled by other approved courses from institutions of higher education. The courses listed are recommended as the most efficient way to satisfy both Core Curriculum and Major Requirements at UT Dallas.

3. Students are strongly encouraged to take core courses that are closely related to their foundations, concentrations, and career goals.

4. Requires enrollment in corequisite lab course.

5. A required Major course that also fulfills a Core Curriculum requirement. Semester credit hours may be counted in Core Curriculum.

6. Indicates a prerequisite class to be completed before enrolling for upper-division classes.

7. Preferred course for 7-12 Social Studies (Economics Concentration).

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