

EARLY CHILDHOOD TO TWELFTH GRADE (EC-12) TEACHER CERTIFICATION IN ART, MUSIC, OR THEATRE

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CERTIFICATION PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS (ALSO SEE REVERSE SIDE)

1. You must present a minimum grade point average at UT Austin (see below for specifics.)
2. You must submit an online application to enter the Professional Development Sequence by the stated deadline.

APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEQUENCE

***** For FALL Entry — MARCH 1 *****

All Art, Music, and Theatre certification seekers must begin the Professional Development Sequence in the fall semester.

COURSES REQUIRED TO BE TAKEN BEFORE ENTERING THE SECOND SEMESTER OF THE PDS*

* _____ PSY 301 — Introduction to Psychology

* _____ HDF 313/113L — Child Development/Laboratory
OR EDP 363M — Adolescent Development
OR PSY 304 — Introduction to Child Psychology

* _____ ALD 322 — Individual Differences

EC-12 TEACHING FIELD _____

*See attached sheet for required courses and hours remaining:

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEQUENCE (PDS)

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INTERN SEMESTER

* _____ EDC 332S — Designs for Instruction (in subject)

* _____ EDC 331S — School Organization and Classroom Management in Secondary Schools

STUDENT TEACHING SEMESTER

_____ EDC 370S — Secondary School Subjects (in subject)
Note: Theatre certification students must take this course in the spring semester before the PDS.

_____ EDC 950W — All-level Teaching Practicum

TOTAL HOURS NEEDED _____

The following UT Austin grade point averages are required for admission to the Professional Development Sequence. Please note that simply meeting minimum g.p.a. requirements may not guarantee admission to the Professional Development Sequence. Factors such as performance in prerequisite courses and available space may also be determinants.

PROGRAM	REQUIRED UT AUSTIN GPA'S
EC-12 Art	3.0 overall / 3.0 in ART/ARH/VAS courses
EC-12 Music	3.0 overall / 3.0 in MUS courses
EC-12 Theatre	3.0 overall / 3.0 in T D courses

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT EC-12 CERTIFICATION IN ART, MUSIC, OR THEATRE

- 1. Applying for the Professional Development Sequence (PDS)** — Students must apply for admission to the Professional Development Sequence by March 1 to enter in the fall semester. The application for the Professional Development Sequence is available only online. Contact the College of Education Student Division (SZB 216) at (512) 471-1308 for information, or visit <http://www.edb.utexas.edu/education/edServices/fieldexp/>.
- 2. Residence Rules for Student Teaching and Certification** — All candidates must do their student teaching in residence at UT Austin. Student teaching must be completed no more than 3 years prior to being recommended to the State for certification, otherwise, additional experience or coursework may be necessary.
- 3. Oral and Written Communication Proficiency** — Oral and written communication proficiency in English will be reviewed during the first semester of the Professional Development Sequence. Successful completion of an Individualized Performance Plan (IPP), which outlines steps for addressing your difficulties, will be required if necessary.
- 4. GPA Requirements** — Early Childhood to Twelfth Grade certification seekers in Art, Music, or Theatre must have a minimum 3.0 UT Austin grade point average for admission to the Professional Development Sequence (PDS), as well as a minimum 3.0 g.p.a. for their respective curricular area (see front). In addition, these minimum UT Austin g.p.a.'s must be maintained throughout the sequence, and are required for completion and subsequent recommendation for certification. Applicants who select EC-12 Music as their teaching field must be in good standing in upper-division music studies course work and must present a 3.0 average g.p.a. on all UT coursework plus (1) a 3.0 g.p.a. in applied music on the principal instrument, (2) a 3.0 g.p.a. in ensemble, (3) a 3.0 g.p.a. in required academic music courses (courses with a MUS prefix), and (4) a 3.0 g.p.a. in all upper-division music studies coursework, with no grade lower than B in an upper-division music studies class. Applicants who select EC-12 Art must have a 3.0 g.p.a. in completed VAS, ART, and ARH courses. Applicants who select EC-12 Theatre must have a 3.0 g.p.a. in completed T D courses.
- 5. Laptop Initiative** — All UT Austin students engaged in teacher preparation professional certification programs are required to have a laptop computer conforming to prescribed hardware and software specifications. These computers will be required for use in most professional development courses and field experiences, will facilitate innovative instructional technology integration in public school teaching, and will equip our graduates for teaching in Texas classrooms of the future. Under this plan, each specific program defines the semester or course when this requirement will affect its students. In most cases this will occur when a student enters the officially designated "Professional Development Sequence" and so has two to four semesters remaining to complete all certification requirements. In order to provide the best possible support for students and faculty in this innovative project, only one operating system will be supported. For further information, please go to <http://www.edb.utexas.edu/education/programs/certification/life/>.
- 6. Education Career Services Office** — The College of Education Career Services Office can assist you in making informed career choices. This office schedules a variety of activities, as well as offers extensive resources and support related to employment. Call (512) 471-1511 for more information.
- 7. Testing – State Certification Examinations** — Students are strongly encouraged to take their state certification examinations as soon as possible. Certification candidates will take TExES (Texas Examinations of Educator Standards) in the last semester of their coursework or after all certification courses are completed. Early Childhood to Twelfth Grade (EC-12) certification seekers in the fine arts should take the TExES Test 160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-12, as well as the TExES EC-12 in their teaching field: 177 Music EC-12, or 178 Art EC-12, or 180 Theatre EC-12. Currently, the cost of each test is \$120 (subject to change). Study guides are available at <http://texas.ets.org/> under "Preparation Materials".
- 8. Application for Certification** — Information about the application procedure should be picked up in SZB 216 after *all* requirements, including graduation and state certification exams, are completed. For us to process your recommendation, you must have a minimum 3.0 UT Austin g.p.a., and your application and fees must have been submitted to the **State Board for Educator Certification**. Submit your online application at http://www.sbec.state.tx.us/SBECOnline/educator_why.asp?width=1024&height=768.

For further information about this program and the content area coursework, please contact:

Department of Art and Art History	Ann Paterra	ART 3.330	(512) 475-7718	http://www.finearts.utexas.edu/aah
School of Music	Anne Marie Cherry	MRH 3.836	(512) 471-6501	http://www.music.utexas.edu
Department of Theatre and Dance	Mark-Anthony Zuniga	WIN 1.118	(512) 232-5308	http://www.finearts.utexas.edu/tad/

For further information about the certification coursework, please contact:

College of Education, Student Division	SZB 216	(512) 471-3223	http://www.edb.utexas.edu/education/
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