

Education (Elementary)| Bachelor's Degree

	FIRST YEAR	MIDDLE YEARS	LAST YEARS
ADVANCE your academic journey	Meet with a First Year Advisor to develop your academic planning. Review the Educator Preparation Program (EPP) to understand requirements and meet important deadlines. Join the Pre-Teachers Living and Learning Community to experience your first year with peers. Take advantage of the Student Learning Assistance Center (Tutoring).	Meet with the College of Education Advising office for questions about your major. Apply for admittance into the Educator Preparation Program through the Office of Educator Preparation. Attend an information session to learn the Teacher Residency options. Share your knowledge as a Peer Mentor or Tutor at SLAC or as a Writing Center consultant. Learn the Field Experience (Blocks) purpose, structure, and how it fulfills TEA requirements through immersive, hands-on classroom observation. Meet with a faculty mentor to select and undergraduate research opportunity.	Check your Degree Audit & meet with your College of Education academic advisor. Complete the Clinical Teaching assignment or Teacher Residency option. Explore next steps including potential graduate programs. Complement your degree with a micro credential Meet with a faculty mentor or peer advisor.
EXPAND your personal and social development	Review your degree plan for courses that include the Service-Learning Excellence program. Attend Education Abroad and Study in America information sessions to learn about future opportunities to participate in global and intercultural experiences. Build social networks by joining student organizations within the Department of Curriculum and Instruction like Texas State Teacher Association TSTA. Find additional events and organizations through the Bobcat Organization HUB.	Expand your leadership skills through Student Involvement's Leadership & Service programming and workshops Consider study abroad options including faculty-led, exchange, virtual, and short-term affiliated programs which are available through Education Abroad. Participate in The Big Event to give back to the regional community. Attend a Nonprofit and Volunteer Fair from Student Involvement to jump into meaningful service in TXST's community. Discover Global Online Learning Experiences for courses with culturally dynamic perspectives.	Seek out a leadership role with the Leadership & Service program. Select a service activity through Student Involvement to give back to the area community. Attend a Student Government Senate meeting to contribute to the TXST community.
ENRICH your practical competence	Explore the option of applying to become a Charles Butt Scholar through the Charles Butt Scholarship for Aspiring Teachers. Attend an IDEA Center workshop to learn more about undergraduate research. Explore the TXST One Stop for more information about the scholarships provided to new and continuing students. Visit BOSS for scholarship opportunities.	Learn more about the TExES and PPR exam requirements, including their purpose, timelines, and how they impact eligibility for clinical teaching and yearlong residency progression. Explore careers in education by joining Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE), where you can develop leadership skills and participate in activities like tutoring, fundraising, and community service through the TRAFLES framework. Participate in a leadership activity or hold a leadership role in a student organization through Student Involvement. Review micro internship opportunities for professional development in which you learn and earn.	Study and plan for finishing all your certification exams before your graduation date. Deliver a presentation in a student conference, workshop, seminar or community organization.
ELEVATE your career and professional life	Develop and review your resume with Career Services. Complete your Career Assessments, such as Focus2. Create your Handshake profile. Create your LinkedIn profile and connect with colleagues and leaders.	Look into the renowned Texas State Teacher Fellows program and consider how it might impact your career goals. Develop your resume with the help of the professionals at Career Services Build Career & Graduate School Fairs into your schedule to ensure your connection maximum opportunities Prepare to ace your job interviews with Career Services or your academic department.	Learn more about the Standard Teaching Certificate, including the application process, requirements for eligibility, and how it ensures high educator preparation. This certificate is valid for five years and must be renewed, and candidates must apply for issuance after completing the Educator Preparation Program. Identify and establish faculty and professional references. Complete your First Destination Survey to share your post-graduation plans.

OUTCOMES

Marketable Skills

Think critically

Analyze and solve problems

Communicate clearly and effectively

Assess learning and performance

Collaborate with colleagues and stakeholders

Demonstrate conflict resolution and patience

Make decisions based on complex social, cultural, behavioral, and academic information and data

Organize, plan, and deliver instruction

[See more marketable skills for this major.](#)

Career Opportunities

Elementary school teacher

School program director

Community education director

School administrator

Instructional coordinator

Test developer

Curriculum designer

Reading or math specialist

Experiences in Education (Elementary)

Teachers and teacher leaders for the elementary level (early childhood through grade six core subjects with English as a second language) complete the bachelor of science degree in education. Teacher certification is achieved with double major in one or more disciplines including human development and family studies; family and consumer sciences; art; speech; choral, band, mariachi, or string music; dance; theatre; English language arts and reading; history; social studies; French, Spanish, or German; agriculture, food and natural resources; life science; chemistry; mathematics; and physics. Students may participate in faculty-led study abroad or Study in America trips, learn with peers in Living and Learning Communities, develop a professional community at networking events, or join student organizations for a well-rounded experience.