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TEACHER CATALOG



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The Future of Education



Dear Prospective Teacher,

Let me be the first to welcome you to the most critical and crucial profession: **teaching!**

Teaching can be challenging, but I cannot fathom a more worthwhile or rewarding profession. Once you are in the classroom, the opportunity to impact your students' lives will be ever-present, and you will be able to leave your mark on their future.

When Dr. Diann Huber started iteach Texas, she was looking for a solution to help individuals find their way into the classroom without having to quit their current job, take on student loans, or leave their home to complete their coursework. Furthermore, the price had to be reasonable all while making sure the program was comprehensive enough to equip teachers to be fully confident in the classroom. Thankfully, Dr. Huber achieved her goal and so much more.

Today, iteach Texas provides test preparation, access to Teaching Channel and Learners Edge courses, as well as excellent mentors and supervisors to guide you along the way.

Every child deserves the opportunity to learn from a great teacher and *we want that to be YOU*. At iteach Texas, we seek to prepare individuals who respond to this pressing need with enthusiasm, creativity, and dedication.

You can do this, and we have your back. You have the support of me, the iteach staff, your instructors, and your supervisor. We believe in you and cannot wait to hear the great stories of student learning that await!

Well, that's it from me... good luck and let's get started!

Warmest regards,
Andrew Rozell
President | iteach





**LEAVE
YOUR
MARK.**

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*“Education is what remains
after one has forgotten what one has
learned in school.” - Albert Einstein*

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.

MISSION

To be a trusted partner committed to providing joy of learning, positively impacting student achievement, and preparing educators for a lifetime of success.

VISION

To develop premier educators to positively impact growth of self and students.



*We value
instruction that
develops lifelong
learners.*

INSTITUTIONAL PHILOSOPHY CONTINUED...

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

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

Completion of the iteach Texas program includes:

1

Successfully complete and fulfill all requirements of the instructional coursework and...

2

Tests fall into three categories:

1. CONTENT: This is your primary teaching field. This area is chosen by iteach based upon college coursework

2. SUPPLEMENTAL: Tests such as the ESL, Bilingual, and Science of Teaching Reading (STR) exams, are required for certain content areas. **Content and Supplemental** tests are required for hire.

3. PEDAGOGY: All candidates are required to take the PPR (or equivalent for Trade and Industrial teachers).

3

Obtain a field experience placement, either a paid full-time two semester internship or an unpaid 14-week clinical teaching practicum.

4

Once a field experience placement is obtained, all program requirements must be completed by the end of the field experience placement. This includes all instructional coursework, certification test, successful field experience and balance paid in full.



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

Texas Admission 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 in 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 iteach Texas.
- Health Science Technology and Trades & Industrial Education certifications are exempt from the Bachelor's degree requirement. Content identification will be based on information obtained from the Statement of Qualifications.



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.

Review of Certification Standing

iteach Texas will review your TEA account and take the following into consideration when evaluating for admission:

- Years of service taught as a teacher
- Previous Educator Preparation Program participation
- Certification testing record; passed and failed

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS - CONTENT AREA

Identification of Content Area. This will be determined via:

In addition to meeting the basic admissions requirements, you must also meet requirements to be certified in a content area. iteach Texas determines your eligibility for certification in a content area during your application evaluation and the review of your official transcripts.

Qualifications for content area certification will be identified by the following methods in chronological order. Only one content area may be identified for admissions. If you hold a degree in a specific content area, iteach will identify this before any other content areas based on state requirements:

- TExES Content Test passed
- Conferred degree in a specific content area based on an academic major;
- 15 hours in identified content areas of English, math, science, and social studies for Core Subjects, 4-8 Subject Test and/or EC-12 Special Education; or
- TXPACT Test is not an instrument for content identification. However, TXPACT test may be required if transcript credits are inconclusive.)

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

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, you may apply 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

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS - FINAL DEADLINES

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

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 iteach Texas 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:

- Proof of oral English language proficiency through verification of minimum scaled scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet-based Test (TOEFL iBT) of 24 for speaking, 22 for listening, 22 for reading, and 21 for writing
- 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. iteach-TEXAS cannot accept transcripts from a foreign university.

Start **TEACHING FASTER!**

TIMELINE

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.)

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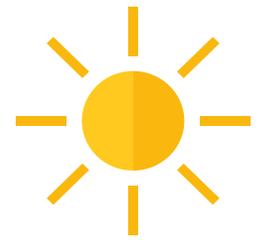
- Continuous Enrollment
- No arbitrary deadline for enrollment
- Upon acceptance, immediate enrollment in instructional coursework



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

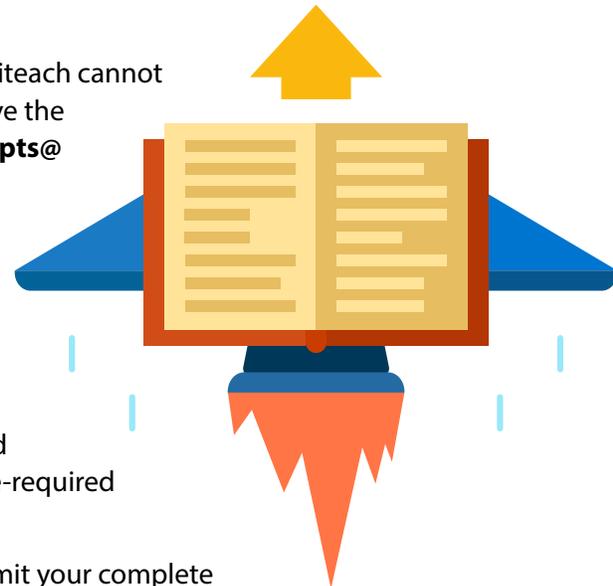


Each person is unique as this is a self-paced program, but the chart below provides a general timeline for the program completion.



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 \$4000. There is an optional deferred plan that is \$250 down and the rest of your payments are deferred until you secure a paid teaching position.
- Please send official transcripts to **transcripts@iteach.net**. iteach cannot accept scanned transcripts. If your university does not prove the option to send electronic transcripts, please email **transcripts@iteach.net** for other options.
- Complete introductory course, an overview of the teaching profession, including intrueVIEW, an online screening interview
- 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.
- 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 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, you will receive:
 - › An official Letter of Acceptance.
 - › Access to the training courses
 - › Access to content area certification testing
- 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

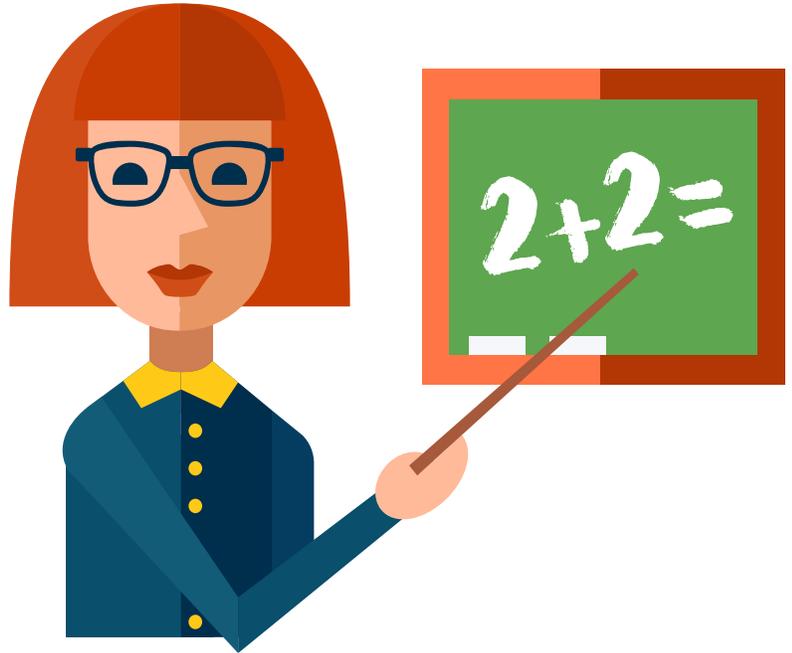
- You gain access to the instructional courses once your Letter of Agreement and non-refundable access fee are received by iteach Texas.
- The six courses, TEPC 5100 – TEPC 5600, are self-paced and competency based.
- You must complete 30 hours of state-mandated observation hours in person or you may use high-quality classroom videos provided by iteach Texas or our partner, the Teaching Channel.

5. TEST(S)

- A content area will be identified for you upon acceptance into the iteach Texas program. You are not required to seek certification in the identified content area. You may request to test in any content area before hiring. Once the test is passed, the content area will be added to your Statement of Eligibility (SOE). Regardless of the content area for enrollment, all candidates must pass a content test that matches their desired teaching assignment to be hired..
- If you are seeking special education certification, you may 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.
- If teaching EC-6 Core, 4-8 Core, 4-8 English, Language Arts, and Reading and/or 4-8 English, Language Arts and Reading, and Social Studies, the Science of Teaching Reading test must be passed to be eligible for hire. When one of these TExES tests is passed, please allow 3 -5 business days for enrollment into the two STR Literacy Courses. If your primary area of certification is one of the aforementioned, please be aware that you must pass the STR exam in addition to content test.
- You take the TExES Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities test (PPR) only after you:
 - › Pass the appropriate content test (any Supplement Test, if applicable)
 - › Complete all instructional courses 5100-5600 and complete PPR prep course 5800

6. TEACHING RESIDENCY

- You may begin securing a field experience position as soon as you are accepted into the iteach Texas program and fulfill the initial requirements of:
 - › 30 hours of observation
 - › Completion of 150 hours of instruction (TEPC 5000-5300)
 - › Content test(s) 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 field experience course: Field Experience – The Classroom Teaching Experience, when you begin your field experience.
- If hired, you are recommended by iteach Texas 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 ESL 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

SYLLABUS

iteach Texas **BENEFITS**

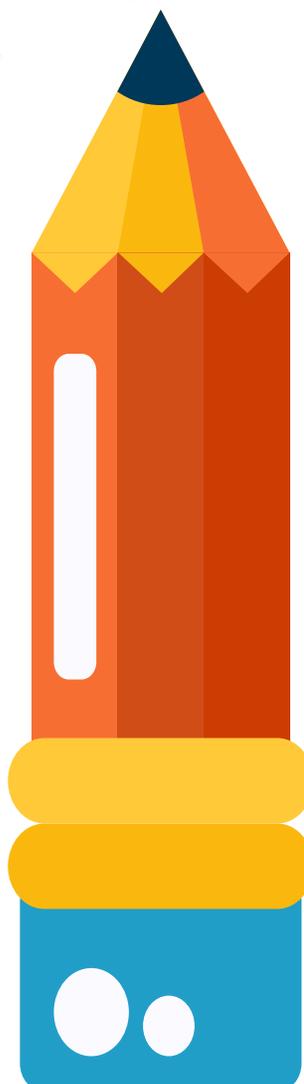
- Web-based Instruction
- Instruction on your time schedule
- Direct online interaction

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

- TCTX 5000.01 – iteach Introduction
Candidates take this course during the “Applied” state of the application. It has a 10-question quiz, a 100% score required to pass. You will have 5 attempts, and a Dispositional Screener.
- TCTX 5000.02 - An Overview
You will take this course as the first course after you are enrolled. It has a 25-question quiz, 20/25=80% required to pass, three attempts, just like all our other quizzes.
- 5100 – Learning Environments
- 5200 – Learner Development
- 5300 – Planning Instruction and Assessment
- TEPC 5400 – Literacy and 21st Century Instruction
- 5500 – Learner Differences and Special Needs
- 5600 – Diverse Populations, English Language Learners, and Bilingual Students

Science of Teaching Reading Curriculum

- 6004 – Responsive Literacy Instruction in the Elementary Classroom
- 6005 - Critical Reading and Writing Instruction

Comprehensive Review

- 5800 – Method and Practice of Teaching

Field Experience Courses

- TEPC 5700 – Field Experience: The Classroom Teaching Experience

PACE

The iteach Texas 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 iteach Texas 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

TEACHING CHANNEL OBSERVATIONAL VIDEOS

Extensive selection of authentic classroom videos

A library of observational videos is available to our candidates throughout enrollment in the iteach Texas 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 iteach Texas 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.

Many of the course instructors are also classroom teachers. The course instructors work diligently to grade assignments, and assignments will be graded within three to four business days. Once the requirements for a specific course are complete, you will be advanced to the next course after midnight. While you wait to be advanced, please allow some time reflecting and conducting individual research on each course. Do not rush through your courses.

GRADING

GRADING SCALE	
4 EXEMPLARY	Characterized by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Extraordinary initiative in completing the learning activity · The work fully responds to all parts of the activity prompt. · The work is thoughtful and shows exceptional insight into the teacher's role in the learning process. · The work is grammatically correct and carefully proofread (0-1 error).
3 PROFICIENT	Characterized by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The work fully responds to all parts of the activity prompt. · The work shows insight into the teacher's role in the learning process. · The work is grammatically correct and proofread (no more than 2 errors).
2 BASIC	Characterized by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The work responds to the activity prompt. · The work gives consideration to the teacher's role in the learning process. · The work is mostly grammatically correct and proofread (no more than 3 errors).
1 UNSATISFACTORY	Characterized by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The work does not respond to the activity prompt. · The work shows little to no consideration for the teacher's role in the learning process. · The work has many grammatical and/or spelling errors (4 or more).

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 iteach Texas 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 iteach Texas know. iteach Texas 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 TCTX 5600 (Some candidates may see this course listed as TEPC 5600 if they enrolled under our previous learning management system):

- 5600 - Diverse Populations, English Language Learners, and Bilingual Students•Hollie, S. (2011). Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Teaching and Learning: Classroom Practices for Student Success. Huntington Beach, CA; Shell Education
- Science of Teaching Reading: 6004 - Responsive Literacy Instruction in the Elementary Classroom (K-3) and 6005 - Critical Reading and Writing Instruction (4-8)•Burkins, J., & Yaris, K. (2016). Who's Doing The Work? How to Say Less So Readers Can Do More. Portland, Maine: Stenhouse.
- Chandler, A. (2017). The Flexible ELA Classroom: Practical Tools for Differentiated Instruction in Grades 4-8. New York, NY: Routledge.

In addition, iteach Texas strongly recommends purchase of the following:

- A Framework for Understanding Poverty by Ruby K. Payne (any edition),•Other People's Children: Cultural Conflict in the Classroom by Lisa Delpit (any edition),
- For White Folks Who Teach in the Hood... and the Rest of Y'all, Too: Reality Pedagogy and Urban Education by Christopher Emdin•Wong, H.K. & Wong, R.T. (2009) The First Days of School: How to Be an Effective Teacher (4th ed.) Mountain View, CA: Harry K. Wong Publications, Inc.
- Canter, L. & Canter, M. (2001). Assertive Discipline: Positive Behavior Management for Today's Classroom. Bloomington, IN: Solution Tree Press.
- Reutzel, D.R. & Cooter, Jr., R.B. (2012). Teaching Children to Read, The Teacher Makes the Difference (6th ed.). Boston, MA: Allyn & Bacon.
- Huack, C.S., Helpler, S., & Hickman, J. (2004) Children's Literature in the Elementary School (8th ed.). New York, NY: McGraw Hill.

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 iteach Texas 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.

iteach Texas 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(s).

iteach Texas offers two routes for completion of the field experience:

- 1) Internship
- 2) Clinical Teaching

Details on the following pages...

Field experience is an important time in the life of a teacher. It is critical, challenging and rewarding to all involved.

Option 1: Residency

On this route, you will complete a one-year (two semester) paid internship during which time you are employed full time (no less than 4 hours) 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.

Also, in today's economy, you must make yourself as marketable as possible; iteach Texas 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 have completed 30 hours of observation, 150 hours of instruction, passed your content certification test(s).

An Intern/Probationary Certificate is specific to the district of hire, the date of hire, and the content area of hire – there is not a generic Intern/Probationary Certificate. Instead, it is peculiar to your teaching position. Upon receipt of your Statement of Eligibility, and verification of your Field Experience, you can be recommended for your Certificate. Instructions for applying for the Intern Certificate are located in 5100. The key documents to help facilitate your hire will be the Statement of Eligibility. You will provide this to the district as it shows you are an active candidate with iteach Texas and eligible for your Intern Certificate. You can download your Statement of Eligibility from your homepage. Once you have been hired and this is verified through your Statement of Eligibility, then we can move forward with the recommendation of your Intern Certificate.

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

iteach Texas offers a 14-week, five day-a-week, full day clinical teaching option. Our statewide program, has limited enrollment period in the fall for the 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 passed your content test.
- You must pay \$1,000 of program fees at the time of your application to the clinical teaching program (this is not an additional fee)
- You must have completed 30 hours of observation and 5000–5300 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 observe you three times over the 14 week placement period. 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

OUR PROGRAM FEES

The cost is broken down into the following fees:

Online Course Instruction Participation.....	\$3,149
Field Experience Fee.....	\$1,250
Total Cost of Monthly Program	\$4399

All program fees are non-refundable. This is the anticipated cost for a candidate who completes all iteach Texas program requirements according to the program timeline.

How our Payment Plan works

- 1) Monthly Payment Plan of \$99 a Month:** Pay for the instruction at \$99 a month as you are participating in the course work and then start your 2-semester field experience. Once you start your field experience and we are observing you, your monthly payments will increase. We take the remaining balance on your account and divide them into 8-10 equal monthly payments. **Total Cost of our Program: \$4399**



OTHER PROGRAM FEES

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 (State Board of Education Certification)

Intern/Probationary Certificate Fee.....\$78

Standard Certificate Fee.....\$78

Background Check / Finger printing.....\$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.

Coursework Renewal Once Hired Fee.....\$300

You are allowed 4 months to complete your coursework, if you do not complete your coursework within 4 months, there is a coursework renewal fee.



CERTIFICATION TESTING & CONTENT AREAS

A content area has been identified for you upon acceptance into the iteach Texas program. You are not required to seek certification in the identified content area. You may request to test in any content area before hiring upon passing approved test prep. Once the test is passed, the content area will be added to your Statement of Eligibility (SOE). Regardless of the content area for enrollment, all candidates must pass a content test that matches their desired teaching assignment to be hired. If teaching any of the following: EC-6 Core, 4-8 Core, 4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading and/or 4-8 English, Language Arts and Reading, Social Studies – **the Science of Teaching Reading Test must also be passed** to be eligible for hire.

If your area of certification is EC-6 or 4-8 Bilingual, in addition to passing the STR, you must also pass the Bilingual Supplemental, and you must pass the Bilingual Target Language Proficiency (BTLPT) exam.

The BTLPT is a language exam that assesses your ability to speak the foreign language necessary to teach the subject. 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; iteach Texas 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.

CERTIFICATION TESTING CONTINUED

If you are seeking Special Education certification, you should plan to take the EC-6 Core Subject or the 4-8 Core Subject (along with the STR) 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 instructional courses, passed your content area test (including STR, ESL and bilingual tests, if applicable), and completed the comprehensive review course. All test approval is done at the program's discretion and no test approval is guaranteed. Candidates are strongly encouraged to treat each test attempt with academic rigor and adequate preparation.

Requesting Test Approval

If you have an academic degree in your content area of enrollment, you may request test approval. For areas outside of your identified certification area, test approval is based upon documented completion of an approved test preparation program. Test preparation for initial test approval can consist of undergraduate hours in the academic major of a content area of enrollment and/or test preparation through passing of approved test prep. All testing will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis as additional test approval is not guaranteed.

TEA has established a 30-day waiting period between test attempts. Additional test approval will only be given for your identified area and will be based on preparation that may consist of outside test preparation. The iteach Testing Coordinator will make a final decision on your remediation plan. After review and an additional test attempt is warranted, test preparation and remediation will be required. Remediation can consist of continuing education, professional development, test preparation, and undergraduate credit hours. The remediation requirement is based on the TEA testing waiver guidelines. If your score is 1 Standard Deviation from passing, you will need to complete a minimum of 50 hours of review. If your score is 2 Standard Deviations from passing, you will need to complete a minimum of 100 hours of review. If your score is 3 Standard Deviations from passing, you will need to complete a minimum of 150 hours of review.

Please refer to the Average Conditional Standard Error of Measurement (CSEM) chart (located in course 5000). These review hours must be completed after the date of your last test attempt and be based on the identified competencies in which growth is needed. The time spent on the review must be recorded on the Remediation/Review Log (located in course 5000).

“I cannot emphasize enough the importance of a good teacher.”

- Temple Grandin



CERTIFICATION AREAS

iteach Texas 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.

iteach Texas Benefits

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



EC-6 Core Subject - 391

iteach Texas 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: 3 semester hours in English, 3 semester hours in MATH, 3 semester hours in Science (BIOL, CHEM, PHYS, GEOL or Physical GEOG) and 3 semester hours in Social Studies (HIST, GOVT, ECON or GEOG)

4-8 Core Subject - 211

iteach Texas 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: 3 semester hours in English, 3 semester hours in MATH, 3 semester hours in Science (BIOL, CHEM, PHYS, GEOL or Physical GEOG) and 3 semester hours in Social Studies (HIST, GOVT, ECON or GEOG)

4-8 English, Language Arts, Reading - 117

iteach Texas 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: 15 semester hours in English

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

iteach Texas 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: 15 semester hours in English and 15 semester hours in Social Studies (HIST, GOVT, ECON or GEOG)

4-8 Mathematics - 115

iteach Texas 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: 15 semester hours in MATH

4-8 Mathematics/Science - 114

iteach Texas 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: 15 semester hours in MATH and 15 semester hours Science (BIOL, CHEM, PHYS, GEOL and Physical GEOG)

4-8 Science - 116

iteach Texas 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: 15 semester hours Science (BIOL, CHEM, PHYS, GEOL and Physical GEOG)

4-8 Social Studies - 118

iteach Texas 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: 15 semester hours Social Studies (HIST, GOVT, ECON or GEOG)

6-12 Dance - 279

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Dance or 24 semester hours in Dance with 12 hours at the advanced level.

6-12 Agriculture

iteach Texas offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources content area. You may teach Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources courses at the sixth - 12th-grade levels.

Requirements: Must hold a degree in Agriculture Science

6-12 Business & Finance

iteach Texas offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Business and Finance content area. You may teach Business and Finance courses at the sixth - 12th-grade levels.

Requirements: 24 hours in Business and Finance with 12 hours at the advanced level

6-12 Family and Consumer Sciences

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Family and Consumer Sciences or 24 semester hours in FCS with 12 hours at the advanced level.

6-12 Health Science - 273

iteach Texas 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 iteach Texas.
- Eligible military experience may be used in lieu of civilian licensure; iteach Texas will review for eligibility.
- 6-12 Health Science exam passed

6-12 Math/Physical Science/Engineering - 274

iteach Texas offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Math/Physical Science/Engineering content area.

Requirements:

- Must hold a degree in engineering
- 24 Hours in Physics & Chemistry with 12 hours at the advanced level

6-12 Marketing Education - 275

iteach Texas 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 Physical Science - 237

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Chemistry or Physics with significant hours in both subject areas. Or have 24 semester hours in Physics with 12 hours at the advanced level and 24 semester hours in Chemistry with 12 hours at the advanced level

6-12 Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC)

iteach Texas offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) content area. You may teach Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps at the sixth - 12-grade levels.

Requirements: Hold a Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps instructor certificate issued by one of the military branches.

6-12 Technology Education - 171

iteach Texas offers teacher certification in the 6-12 Technology Education content area.

Requirements: Degree in Architecture, Technology, Audio/Video Tech, Graphic Design, Animation, Photography or related field

6-12 Trade and Industrial Education - 270

iteach Texas 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; iteach Texas will

review for eligibility.

7-12 Chemistry - 240

iteach Texas 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: Hold a degree in Chemistry or have 24 semester hours in Chemistry with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 English, Language Arts, Reading - 231

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in English or have 24 semester hours in English with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 History - 233

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in History or have 24 semester hours in History with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 Journalism - 256

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Journalism or have 24 semester hours in Journalism with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 Life Science - 238

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Biology or have 24 semester hours in Biology with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 Mathematics - 235

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Mathematics or have 24 semester hours in MATH with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 Physics/Mathematics - 243

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Mathematics or Physics with significant hours in both subject areas. Or have 24 semester hours in Physics with 12 hours at the advanced level and 24 semester hours in Mathematics with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 Science - 236

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Biology, Chemistry or Physics with significant hours in all three subject areas. Or have 24 semester hours in Biology with 12 hours at the advanced level, 24 semester hours in Chemistry with 12 hours at the advanced level and 24 semester hours in Physics with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 Social Studies - 232

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in History, Government, Geography or Economics with significant hours in all four subject areas. Or have 24 semester hours in History with 12 hours at the advanced level, 24 semester hours in Government with 12 hours at the advanced level, 24 semester hours in Geography with 12 hours at the advanced

level and 24 semester hours in Economics with 12 hours at the advanced level.

7-12 Speech - 129

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Speech Communication or have 24 semester hours in Speech with 12 hours at the advanced level.

8-12 Computer Science - 241

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Computer Science or have 24 semester hours in Computer Science with 12 hours at the advanced level.

8-12 Hospitality, Nutrition, and Food Sciences

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Hospitality Management or have 24 semester hours in HDFS with 12 hours at the advanced level.

8-12 Human Development and Family Studies

iteach Texas 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

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in American Sign Language or have 24 semester hours in ASL with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Arabic

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Arabic Languages or have 24 semester hours in Arabic with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Art - 178

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Studio Art/Art History or have 24 semester hours in Art with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Mandarin Chinese

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Chinese Languages or have 24 semester hours in Chinese with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Deaf and Hard of Hearing - 181

iteach Texas offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Deaf and Hard of Hearing content area.

Requirements: Must hold a degree in Deaf and Hard of

Hearing or have 24 semester hours in Deaf Ed with 12 hours at the advanced level..

EC-12 ESL Supplemental - 154

iteach Texas 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

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in French Languages or have 24 semester hours in French with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 German - 611

iteach Texas offers teacher certification in the EC-12 German content area. With this certification, you may teach German at the at the elementary through the twelfth grade levels.

Requirements: Must hold a degree in German Languages or have 24 semester hours in German with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Health - 157

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Health Education or have 24 semester hours in Health with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Japanese

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Japanese Languages or have 24 semester hours in Japanese with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Latin - 612

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Latin or have 24 semester hours in Latin with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Music - 177

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Music or have 24 semester hours in Music with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Physical Education - 158

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Kinesiology or have 24 semester hours in KINE with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Russian

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Russian or have 24 semester hours in Russian with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Spanish - 613

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

Requirements: Must hold a degree in Spanish or have 24 semester hours in Spanish with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Special Education - 161

iteach Texas 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: 3 semester hours in English, 3 semester hours in MATH, 3 semester hours in Science (BIOL, CHEM, PHYS, GEOL or Physical GEOG) and 3 semester hours in Social Studies (HIST, GOVT, ECON or GEOG)

EC-12 Technology Applications - 242

iteach Texas 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: Degree in a computer related field or 24 hours

in computers with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Theatre - 180

iteach Texas 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: Must hold a degree in Theatre or have 24 semester hours in Theatre with 12 hours at the advanced level.

EC-12 Vietnamese

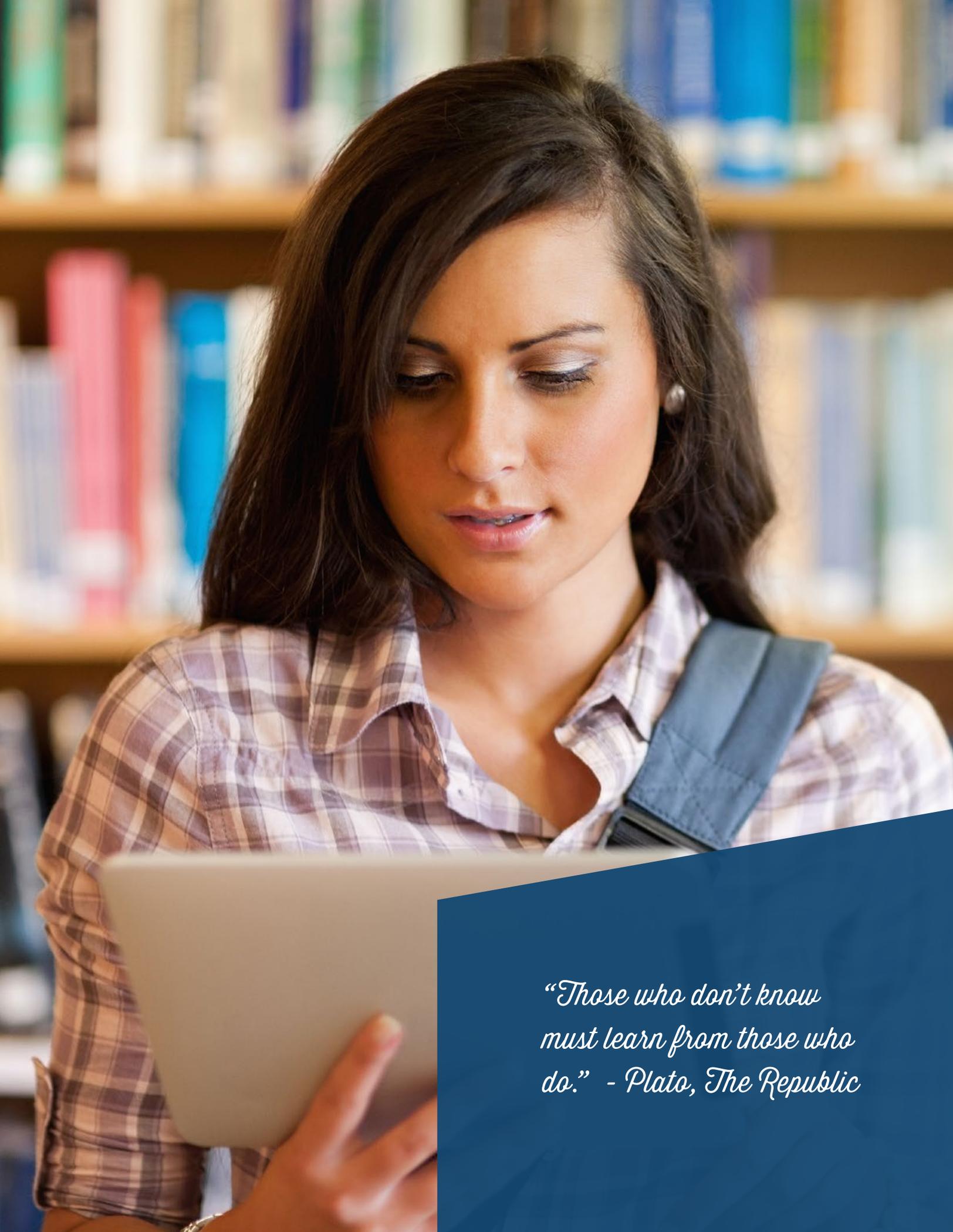
iteach Texas offers teacher certification in the EC-12 Vietnamese content area. With this certification, you may teach Vietnamese at the elementary school through high school levels.

Requirements: Must hold a degree in Vietnamese or have 24 semester hours in Vietnamese with 12 hours at the advanced level.

Statement OF DIVERSITY

iteachU.S. is committed to preparing an educator workforce that reflects the diversity of students in classrooms across the nation, and to drawing talent from all communities in order to provide the best and brightest educators to America's children. iteachU.S. has a history of accepting, training and certifying diverse educator cohorts. We promise to uphold this tradition by not discriminating against any prospective candidate on the basis of race, ethnicity, age, disability, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic background, or religion.





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



COMPLAINT POLICY

iteach Texas continually strives to provide each candidate with the best service possible. If you have any complaint regarding the iteach Texas 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 iteach Texas requires that the first point of contact for resolution of a dispute be iteach Texas and not a third party while iteach Texas investigates a complaint. No other party can be used. Also citation of Texas Administrative Code or Letter of Agreement violation must be included in the complaint.

Prior to posting a complaint to any site, the identified procedures must be followed.

iteach Texas will do everything within our power to rectify any situations in an effective and expedient manner.

THANK YOU!

We want to say thank you for allowing us at iteach Texas to be part of your career path. We are excited to help accelerate your future in teaching and impacting student's lives.



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