Texas A&M University-Commerce
Field-Based (Undergraduate) Program
Steps to Gaining EC-12 SPED Teacher Certification – Aide

Application due no later than April 4, 2014

Step 1: Practicum (Internship/Residency) Pre-Requisites

Must meet the following Pre-Requisites (Must be met no later than August 7, 2014)

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<th>Pre-Requisite</th>
<th>Indicate Date Completed or to Be Completed</th>
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<td>Overall GPA of 2.75</td>
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<td>“C” or above in ELED or SED 300 OR enrolled (requires 30 hours of observation)</td>
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<td>“C” or above in PSY 300 OR enrolled</td>
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<td>“C” or above in ETEC 424 OR enrolled</td>
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<td>“C” or above in Rdg 380 or 370 OR enrolled</td>
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<td>“C” or above in HHPK 274 (Sped Applicants Only) OR enrolled</td>
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<td>Pre-Internship Courses GPA of 2.75</td>
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<td>“C” or above in all Teaching Field (Major) Courses</td>
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<td>Lack no more than 6sh or 2 courses in Teaching Field (Major) Courses</td>
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<td>“C” or above in Public Speaking (Speech) Course OR enrolled</td>
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Basic Skills Requirements for Reading, Math and Writing – Deadline to meet Basic Skills Requirement – July 3, 2014

- Reading (THEA, Accuplacer, Compass, ACT or SAT only)
- Math (THEA, SAT, ACT, Compass, Accuplacer or “C” in College Math)
- Writing (THEA, SAT, ACT, Compass, Accuplacer or “C” in English 101 or 102)

Step 2: Application for Substitution for Experience (if applicable)

You may be eligible to have your second semester (residency) waived. You must have two (2) full years of experience in the content area / level you are pursuing certification, in order to be considered for a waiver.

You may access the application for Substitution for Experience at the following link:

http://web.tamu-commerce.edu/academics/colleges/educationHumanServices/educatorCertificationAcademicServices/Available%20Programs/fieldBased/educationalAide.aspx

The application for Substitution for Experience is due no later than April 4, 2014.
Step 3: Field Experience (Internship) Semester –
You must enroll in the following coursework (refer to your Degree Audit):

- ELED 422
- EDCI 414
- SPED 470

List any other courses you plan to complete during the Field-Experience (Internship) Semester:

Step 4: Practicum (Residency) Pre-Requisites

- Maintain Application requirements, i.e. GPA of 2.75 and minimum grade of “C” (see above #1);
- Maintain Field Experience (Internship) Requirements, i.e. GPA of 2.75 and minimum grade of “C” (see above #2);
- Successful completion of Field Experience (Internship), i.e. GPA of 2.75 and minimum grade of “C” in all course
- Make at least one attempt to successfully complete the Content TExES Exam - $120 Test Fee

Step 5: Practicum (Residency) Semester –
You must enroll in the following coursework (refer to your Degree Audit):

- ELED 422
- EDCI 415

List any other courses you plan to complete during the Practicum (Residency) Semester:

Step 4: Final Requirements

- Maintain requirements of Steps 1, 2, and 3
- Conferred Bachelor’s Degree in the area seeking teacher certification - $40 Grad Fee
- Successful completion of all required TExES exams - $120 per exam
- Apply for State Standard Teaching Certificate - $77 State processing fee
- Apply for Fingerprinting - $40-$50 State processing fee