

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN EDUCATION, 4-8 CORE

Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Science, Major in Education, 4-8 Core		
Core Curriculum (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/)		
	Component Area I (Communication)	6
	Component Area II (Mathematics) ¹	3
	Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) ^{2,3}	8
	Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture)	3
	Component Area V (Creative Arts) ⁴	3
	Component Area VI (U.S. History)	6
	Component Area VII (Political Science/Government)	6
	Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences) ⁵	3
	Component Area IX (Component Area Option) ⁶	4
Degree Specific Requirements		
BIOL 1436	Foundations Of Science ^{3,6}	4
ECON 1100	Economics of Social Problems ⁶	1
ENGL 2332 or ENGL 2333	World Literature I: Before the 17th Century ⁷ World Literature II: From the 17th Century and After	3
MATH 1384	Introduction to Foundations of Mathematics I ¹	3
Major: Foundation		
BESL 3301	Second Language Acquisition ⁸	3
CHEM 1406	Inorganic & Environmental Chemistry	4
CIME 2313	Teaching as a Profession	3
CIME 3327	Integrating Technology in the Middle Grades	3
CIME 3374	Human Growth & Learning	3
CIME 3375	The Middle Level Child	3
CIME 3385	The Middle Grades Classroom	3
EDUC 1101	Educator Preparation	1
HSTY 3384	Texas History	3
MATH 1385	Introduction to Foundations of Mathematics II	3
MATH 2384	Functions and Graphs	3
MATH 3386	Fundamentals of Probability and Statistics	3
PHYS 1305 & PHYS 1105	Classical Physics and Thermodynamics and Classical Physics and Thermodynamics Lab	4
SPED 2301	Introduction to Exceptionality	3
Field Experience I		
READ 3388 or READ 3383	Reading Methods and Assessment - Middle Level Reading Methods and Assessment - Elementary	3
READ 3389 or READ 3384	Language Arts and Assessment - Middle Level Language Arts Methods and Assessment - Elementary	3
SPED 3301	Learning and Instruction for Children with Disabilities ⁹	3
TESL 3313	English Second Language Methodology I ^{8,10}	3
Field Experience II		
READ 3373	Content Area Reading in the Middle Grades	3
READ 3374	Vocabulary and Word Study in the Middle Grades	3
YCT Semester I		
CIME 3376	Curriculum and Assessment For Middle Grades	3
CIME 4334	Teaching Math in Middle Grades	3
CIME 4335	Teaching Science in the Middle Grades	3
CIME 4336	Teaching Social Studies in the Middle Grades	3

CIME 4391 or CIEE 4391	Student Teaching in the Middle Grades Student Teaching Elementary School	3
YCT Semester II		9
CIME 4392 or CIEE 4392	Student Teaching in the Middle Grades Student Teaching Elementary School	
EDUC 4301	Teacher Education Capstone	
TESL 4314	English Second Language Methodology II ⁹	
Minor: Not Required ^{10, 11}		
Total Hours		126

- ¹ MATH 1384 satisfies the requirement for Component Area II (Mathematics) and the major.
- ² To satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area III (Life and Physical Science), BIOL 1408 is suggested.
- ³ BIOL 1436 satisfies the requirement for Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) and the major.
- ⁴ To satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area V (Creative Arts), CAMX 2301 is suggested.
- ⁵ To satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences), GEOG 1300 or BESL 2301 is suggested.
- ⁶ ECON 1100 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IX (Component Area Option) and the major.
- ⁷ ENGL 2332 OR ENGL 2333 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) as well as the major.
- ⁸ BESL 3301 is the prerequisite for TESL 3313.
- ⁹ TESL 3313 is the prerequisite for TESL 4314.
- ¹⁰ A minor is not required for this degree program; however, a student has the option to add a minor, but to do so, additional semester credit hours may be needed above the degree program's stated total semester credit hours.
- ¹¹ All minors can be paired with this degree program.

Notes

Students must earn a 2.75 minimum overall GPA in all coursework.

Students must meet a 2.75 minimum overall major GPA or in the last 60 semester hours in all major coursework.

Students must earn a 2.0 minimum SHSU GPA in all coursework.

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Students must maintain a 2.75 GPA or greater overall or in the last 60 semester hours. This includes transfer and SHSU courses.

Student Teaching Block is considered a FULL LOAD at SHSU. Please check prerequisites for Field Experience I, Field Experience II, YCT I Semester, and YCT Semester II. Each field experience block must be completed successfully in order to progress through the field experience sequence.

Field Experience in public schools is required for many CIEE, CIME, ECHE, READ, SPED, and TESL classes.

Full admission to the Educator Preparation program and CIME 2313, CIME 3374, and SPED 2301 are required prior to enrollment in Field Experience I.

BESL 3301 is required prior to enrollment in Field Experience I.

CIME 3385 is required prior to enrollment in YCT Semester I.

4-8 teaching candidates are now eligible to add a Minor in Special Education. This degree minor provides a pathway for College of Education students majoring in grades 4-8 certification tracks or the grades 7-12 certification tracks to also graduate with a teaching certification in the area of special education. The course requirements are available by clicking here (<http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/colleges-academic-departments/education/school-of-teaching-and-learning/special-education-minor/>).

First Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area I (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareai)		3 Component Area I (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareai)	3
Component Area V (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav) ¹		3 Component Area VI (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareavi)	3

Component Area VI (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareavi)	3	Component Area VII (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareavii)	3
BIOL 1436 ²		4 Component Area VIII (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaviii) ⁵	3
ECON 1100 ³		1 COMS 2382	3
MATH 1384 ⁴		3 MATH 1385	3
		17	18

Second Year

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Component Area III (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii) ⁶		4 BESL 3301 ⁸	3
Component Area VII (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareavii)		3 CHEM 1406	4
CIME 2313		3 CIME 3374	3
EDUC 1101		1 HSTY 3384	3
ENGL 2332 or 2333 ⁷		3 MATH 3386	3
MATH 2384		3 SPED 2301	3
		17	19

Third Year

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CIME 3327		3 CIME 3375	3
READ 3388 or 3383		3 CIME 3385	3
READ 3389 or 3384		3 PHYS 1305 & PHYS 1105	4
SPED 3301		3 READ 3373	3
TESL 3313 ^{8,9}		3 READ 3374	3
		15	16

Fourth Year

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CIME 3376		3 CIME 4392 or CIEE 4392	3
CIME 4334		3 EDUC 4301	3
CIME 4335		3 TESL 4314 ⁹	3
CIME 4336		3	
CIME 4391 or CIEE 4391		3	
		15	9

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The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's **60x30TX plan** and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The BS in Education, 4-8 Core is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Prepared to teach all content necessary for 4 - 8 core certification.
- Prepared to implement evidence-based methods of teaching and learning.
- Fully qualified to teach in Texas public schools.