

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN EDUCATION, 4-8 SOCIAL STUDIES: 4+1 MED IN TEACHING & LEARNING

Admission Documentation and Criteria

Applicants seeking admission to the Bachelor of Science in Education and Master of Education in Teaching and Learning 4+1 Program must submit the following:

- 4+1 Program Application through Apply Texas
- Current undergraduate transcript demonstrating a minimum 3.00 overall GPA or last 60 SCH.
- Three Reference Forms (at least two from SHSU professors)
- Writing Sample

Admission to the 4+1 program is competitive and the number of available positions is limited.

Before a formal offer of admission will be issued, the applicant must supply evidence that he or she has passed both the appropriate content TExES and PPR TExES certification exams.

Additional information: Reference the Program Landing Page (<https://www.shsu.edu/programs/bachelor-degree-in-education/>) for additional information, such as cost, delivery format, contact information, or to schedule a visit.

Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Science, Major in Education, 4-8 Social Studies: 4+1 MED in Teaching & Learning		
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	8
	Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) ³	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 1408	Contemporary Biology ⁷	4
ECON 1100	Economics of Social Problems ⁸	1
ENGL 2332	World Literature I: Before the 17th Century ³	3
or ENGL 2333	World Literature II: From the 17th Century and After	
GEOG 1300	People, Places, and the Environment ⁵	3
MATH 1384	Introduction to Foundations of Mathematics I ¹	3
Major: Foundation		
BESL 3301	Second Language Acquisition ⁹	3
CHEM 1305 & CHEM 1105	Applying Chemistry to Society and Chemistry in Context Lab	4
or CHEM 1406	Inorganic & Environmental Chemistry	
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
ECON 2301	Principles Of Macroeconomics	3
EDUC 1101	Educator Preparation	1
GEOG 3359	Regional Geography: the United States and Canada	3
GEOG 4358	Geography of Texas	3

HSTY 2311	World History to 1500	3
HSTY 2312	World History Since 1500	3
HSTY 3384	Texas History	3
MATH 1385	Introduction to Foundations of Mathematics II	3
MATH 3381	Introduction to Foundations of Mathematics III	3
SPED 2301	Introduction to Exceptionality	3
Major: Prescribed Elective		
Education Undergraduate Elective		1
Field Experience I		
SPED 3301	Learning and Instruction for Children with Disabilities	3
TESL 3313	English Second Language Methodology I ^{9, 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
YLR Semester I		
CIME 3376	Curriculum and Assessment For Middle Grades	3
CIME 4336	Teaching Social Studies in the Middle Grades	3
CIME 4391	Student Teaching in the Middle Grades	3
READ 4311	Critical Inquiry & Thinking in Middle Grades	3
4+1 MED Pre-Internship¹¹		
CIED 5383	Integrating Current Technologies in Education	3
CIED 5393	Assessment and Accountability	3
SPED 5301	Education of Individuals with Disabilities	3
TESL 4314	English Second Language Methodology II ¹⁰	3
4+1 MED Teaching & Learning		
BESL 5318	Sheltered Instruction in Prekindergarten-12	3
CIED 5370	Foundations of Education Research	3
CIED 5371	Applied Research in Education	3
CIED 5382	Instructional Coaching	3
CIED 5390	Advanced Methods for Classroom Management and Discipline	3
CIED 5398	Practicum in Classroom Instruction I (Title of course should be changed to Practicum in Classroom Instruction I)	3
CIED 5399	Practicum in Classroom Instruction II (Title of course should be changed to Practicum in Classroom Instruction II)	3
Minor: Not Required^{12,13}		
Total Hours		150

- ¹ MATH 1384 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area II (Mathematics) and the major
- ² BIOL 1436 is suggested to satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area III (Life and Physical Science).
- ³ ENGL 2332 or ENGL 2333 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) and the major.
- ⁴ To satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area V (Creative Arts), CAMX 2301 is suggested.
- ⁵ GEOG 1300 satisfies the requirement for Component Area VII (Social and Behavioral Science) and the major.
- ⁶ To satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IX (Component Area Option), COMS 2382 is suggested.
- ⁷ BIOL 1408 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) and the major.
- ⁸ ECON 1100 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IX (Component Area Option) and the major.
- ⁹ BESL 3301 is a prerequisite for TESL 3313.
- ¹⁰ TESL 3313 is a prerequisite for TESL 4314
- ¹¹ Students must apply for graduation with their bachelor's degree during their M.Ed. Pre-Internship semester to be eligible for their internship placement.
- ¹² 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 credits hours may be needed above the degree program's stated total semester credit hours.
- ¹³ 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.

Students must meet a 2.75 minimum SHSU major GPA in all major coursework.

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 1, Field Experience 2, YCT Semester I, 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, ECHE, CIME, READ, TESL, and SPED 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 II.

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 (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/undergraduate/colleges-academic-departments/education/school-of-teaching-and-learning/special-education-minor/>).

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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 III (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii) ¹		4 Component Area VI (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareavi)	3
Component Area V (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav) ²		3 Component Area IX (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix) ⁵	3

Component Area VI (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareavi)	3 GEOG 1300 ⁶	3		
ECON 1100 ³	1 MATH 1385	3		
MATH 1384 ⁴	3 POLS 2305 ⁷	3		
	17	18		
Second Year				
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	
BIOL 1408 ⁸		4 CHEM 1406 or 1305 <i>and</i> 1105	4	
CIME 2313		3 CIME 3374	3	
EDUC 1101		1 ECON 2301	3	
ENGL 2332 or 2333 ⁹		3 HSTY 2312	3	
HSTY 2311		3 MATH 3381	3	
POLS 2306 ⁷		3 SPED 2301	3	
	17	19		
Third Year				
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	
BESL 3301 ¹⁰		3 CIME 3327	3	
CIME 3385		3 Education Undergraduate Elective	1	
HSTY 3384		3 GEOG 3359	3	
SPED 3301		3 GEOG 4358	3	
TESL 3313 ^{10,11}		3 READ 3373	3	
		READ 3374	3	
	15	16		
Fourth Year				
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	
CIME 3375		3 CIED 5383 ¹²	3	
CIME 3376		3 CIED 5393 ¹²	3	
CIME 4336		3 SPED 5301 ¹²	3	
CIME 4391		3 TESL 4314 ^{11,12}	3	
READ 4311		3		
	15	12		
Fifth Year				
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer
BESL 5318		3 CIED 5370		3 CIED 5371
CIED 5398		3 CIED 5399		3 CIED 5382
				CIED 5390
	6	6		9
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² To satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area V (Creative Arts), CAMX 2301 is suggested.

³ ECON 1100 (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/search/?P=ECON%201100>) satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IX (Component Area Option) and the major.

- 4 MATH 1384 (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/search/?P=MATH%201384>) satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area II (Mathematics) and the major.
- 5 To satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IX (Component Area Option), COMS 2382 (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/search/?P=COMS%202382>) is suggested.
- 6 GEOG 1300 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences) and the major.
- 7 Satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VII (Political Science/Government).
- 8 BIOL 1408 (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/search/?P=BIOL%201408>) satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) and the major.
- 9 ENGL 2332 (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/search/?P=ENGL%202332>) or ENGL 2333 (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/search/?P=ENGL%202333>) satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) and the major.
- 10 BESL 3301 (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/search/?P=BESL%203301>) is a prerequisite for TESL (<https://catalog.shsu.edu/archives/2025-2026/search/?P=TESL%203303>) 3313 (<http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/tesl/>)
- 11 TESL 3313 is a prerequisite for TESL 4314
- 12 Students must apply for graduation with their bachelor's degree during their M.Ed. Pre-Internship semester to be eligible for their Internship placement.

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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, Major in Education, 4-8 Social Studies: 4+1 MED in Teaching and Learning is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

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