

English, Language Arts & Reading with ESL: 4th – 8th Grade Teacher Certification

Important Degree Requirements

- UNT GPA: Minimum 2.000 GPA on all course work at UNT.
- Overall GPA: Minimum 2.000 GPA on all course work attempted, including transfer hours.
- Core GPA: Minimum 2.750 GPA on all course work in the UNT Core section.
- Academic Major GPA: Minimum 2.750 GPA on all course work in the Academic Major section.
- Pedagogy GPA: Minimum 2.750 GPA on all course work in the Pedagogy section.
- "C" or Better: Courses in **bold text** require a minimum grade of "C" to fulfill degree and prerequisite requirements.
- Total Hours: Minimum of 120 total credit hours. Completion of minimum total hours does not guarantee completion of all requirements.

Important Degree Information

- Elective Hours: There are 3 elective hours required for a major in Interdisciplinary Studies, 4th – 8th Grade English, Language Arts & Reading with ESL.
- Excess Hours: Certain credit hours taken in addition to courses required for a major in Interdisciplinary Studies, will count toward Excess Hours (essc.unt.edu/registrar/excess.html).
- Minor or Double Major: A minor or double major is not permitted in combination with a major in Interdisciplinary Studies.
- GPA Requirements: Completion of courses with the minimum grade requirement does not ensure satisfactory degree GPA requirements.

UNT Core Courses

Core Category	Best Selection Courses*
English Composition & Rhetoric	ENGL 1310 or ENGL 1313
	ENGL 1320 or ENGL 1323
<i>Mathematics</i>	--- <i>Fulfilled by required Certification Requirement course.</i>
<i>Natural Sciences</i>	--- <i>Fulfilled by required Certification Requirement course.</i>
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Visual & Performing Arts	Choose from Visual & Performing Arts Core list.
<i>Humanities</i>	--- <i>Fulfilled by required Certification Requirement course.</i>
U.S. History	HIST 2610
	HIST 2620
Political Science	PSCI 1040
	PSCI 1050
<i>Social & Behavioral Sciences</i>	--- <i>Fulfilled by required Certification Requirement course.</i>
<i>Discovery</i>	--- <i>Fulfilled by required Certification Requirement course.</i>
<i>Capstone</i>	--- <i>Fulfilled by required Pedagogy course.</i>

*Best Selection Courses: Recommended for successful completion of state certification (TExES) exams. All applicable core courses can count in the UNT Core.

Certification Requirement Courses

Course Title	
Mathematics (complete 3 courses)	Choose from Mathematics Core list. Best Selection: MATH 1100
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Natural Sciences (complete 4 courses)	Choose from Natural Sciences Core list.
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	Choose from Natural Sciences Core list.
Speech Communications	COMM 1010 or COMM 2040
World Literature	ENGL 2210 or ENGL 2220
Mass Communication & Society	JOUR 1210
General Elective	Choose any course. All prerequisites must be satisfied.

Academic Major Courses

Course Title	
Theatre for Young Audiences	THEA 3400
Survey of Ethnic Literatures	ENGL 3920
Advanced Expository Writing	ENGL 4160
Advanced British Literature	Choose from Group A list, below.
Advanced American Literature	Choose from Group B list, below.
Educational Aspects of Exceptional Learners	EDSP 3210
Principles of Language Study	LING 3060
Computers in the Classroom	LTEC 4100
Adolescent Development	DFST 4133
Foundations of Bilingual & ESL Education	EDBE 3470
Bilingualism/Multiculturalism for English Language Learners	EDBE 3480
All courses following this statement require admission to Teacher Education.	
Reading & Writing in Grades 4 – 8	EDRE 4820
Assessment & Evaluation of Reading	EDRE 4850
Foundations of Education: The School Curriculum	EDEE 3320
Teaching & Learning in the Middle Grades	EDME 3380

Pedagogy Courses: Professional Development School (PDS)

Course Title		
PDS 1	Reading & the Language Arts in Grades EC-8	EDRE 4860
	Cross-Curricular Literacy Materials & Resources	EDRE 4870
	Curriculum & Assessment for Bilingual/ESL Education	EDBE 4470
	Teaching ESL EC-12: Instructional Strategies & Resources	EDBE 4490
PDS 2	Strategies to Support Diverse Learners in General Ed.	EDSP 4350
	Student Teaching in Grades 4 – 8	EDME 4103*
	Student Teaching in Grades 4 – 8	EDME 4104*

*EDME 4103, 4104: Graded as Pass/No Pass and do not factor into the Pedagogy GPA.

*EDME 4104: *Capstone core*.

Teacher Education Admission Requirements

Complete the Application for Admission to Teacher Education upon fulfilling the following requirements. Continuation in the Teacher Education program is not guaranteed by the admission process. Additional instructions and the application are available on the COE – Student Advising Office website.

- Minimum THEA scores of 240 Reading, 230 Math, and 220 Writing.
- Earn 60 credit hours (Junior classification).
- Have an Overall GPA of 2.750 or better, OR a completed UNT Core GPA of 2.750 or better.
- Departmental Interview Questions submitted and accepted.
- Enrolled at UNT and have a degree plan completed or in process in the Student Advising Office.

Advanced Literature Course List

Group A: British Literature	Group B: American Literature
ENGL 3430	ENGL 3830
ENGL 3440	ENGL 3840
ENGL 3911	ENGL 3850
ENGL 4410	ENGL 3912
ENGL 4430	ENGL 3921
ENGL 4440	ENGL 3922
ENGL 4470	ENGL 3923
ENGL 4500	ENGL 4400
	ENGL 4480

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Students must have an official Degree Plan prepared by the Student Advising Office.