



Earning Potential

The average starting salary for teachers in Greater Houston is about **\$61,000** for a nine-month contract (retirement and medical benefits included). Graduates with Bilingual, ESL, STEM-related, or SPED certification may receive additional stipends. In-service teachers are eligible for loan forgiveness if they teach five or more years in a Title I school.

Delivery Options

- Downtown
- Kingwood
- Northwest

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The BA in Education prepares candidates to earn a degree and teacher certification in EC-6 ESL, EC-6 Bilingual, 4-8 ESL, or Special Education. High school certification in Math, History, Science or Social Studies is offered as well. Candidates engage in field-based coursework and complete a year-long student teaching experience in preparation for a successful career in education. Our diverse communities require highly qualified teachers who represent our student population to provide dynamic, equitable educational experiences for all school children.

- Program is offered at three campuses with day and evening options, providing flexibility to navigate degree completion, family, and work responsibilities.
- Graduates from UHD's Department of Urban Education have an 88% five-year retention rate—higher than the state and national average.
- Alternate field experience/student teaching options are available for paraprofessionals who qualify.

About the Program

UHD's proficiency-driven, field-based educator preparation program focuses on providing candidates with diverse experience in city and suburban Title I schools. Through engaging, hands-on, in-class interactions and field-based experiences, teacher candidates finish our program prepared to enter today's EC-12 classrooms and appropriately meet students' needs.

- Award-winning: TEA Commendation for Preparing Educators Texas Needs in Bilingual/ESL Education (2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021)
- Extensive, varied field experiences: partnerships with 15+ school districts in the Houston area to support our candidates' professional development
- Transfer with ease: formal transfer agreements to facilitate a smooth transfer of coursework from community college to UHD

Bachelor of Arts in EDUCATION

Affiliated Student Organizations

University's Teacher Mentorship Program (UTMP) provides guidance, academic support, strategic programming, and financial opportunities for aspiring teachers. The mission of the program is to create a more robust Houston educational system by expanding and training new teachers and future administrators.

Be A Teacher Club (BATC), with distinct chapters at each campus location, provides opportunities to engage with state-wide teacher organizations and participate in a variety of community service/activities with local schools.

Urban Educators' Literacy Society (UELS) provides experiences for pre-service teachers to acquire professional knowledge, serve the community, and develop professional contacts.

Bilingual Education Student Organization (BESO) supports the development of bilingual and ESL educators through collegiality and community engagement.

Kappa Delta Pi, Omega Phi Chapter (KDP) recognizes excellence and fosters cooperation, support, and professional growth for educational professionals through participation in this international honor society in education.



Next Steps

Applicants must complete and submit all of the following items:

- Apply for admissions online via Apply Texas: goapplytexas.org
- Submit your \$35 application fee
- Apply for financial aid fafsa.ed.gov
- Fulfill testing requirements uhd.edu/testing
- Get advised and register uhd.edu/academics/advising
- Pay for classes uhd.edu/cashiers
- Prepare for class



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