

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE – INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

Middle School Teacher Certification, Social Studies 4-8

2018-2019 Degree Plans

University Core Requirements (42 Hours):	UHCL Course Title	TCCNS*	CODE
Communications (6 hours):	WRIT 1301—Composition I (<i>Grade must be "C-" or better</i>)	ENGL 1301	010
	WRIT 1302—Composition II (<i>Grade must be "C-" or better</i>)	ENGL 1302	010
Mathematics (3 hours):	MATH 1314—College Algebra (<i>Grade must be "C-" or better</i>)	MATH 1314	020
Life and Physical Sciences (6 hours):	Choose TWO courses from the UHCL core approved list		030
Language, Philosophy, and Culture (3 hours):	Choose ONE course from the UHCL core approved list		040
Creative Arts (3 hours):	Choose ONE course from the UHCL core approved list		050
U.S. History (6 hours):	HIST 1301—U.S. History I	HIST 1301	060
	HIST 1302—U.S. History II	HIST 1302	060
Government/Political Science (6 hours):	POLS 2305—Federal Government	GOVT 2305	070
	POLS 2306—Texas Government	GOVT 2306	070
Social/Behavioral Science (3 hours):	ECON 2302—Principals of Microeconomics	ECON 2302	080
Component Area Option (6 hours):	COMM 1315—Public Speaking	SPCH 1315	090
	PSYC 1100—Learning Frameworks	PSYC 1100	090
	Two 1-hr Life/Physical Science Labs		

COE Core Requirements (19 hours):	UHCL Course Title	TCCNS*	CODE
	TCED 1301—Exploring Teaching as a Profession	EDUC 1301	
	SPED 2301—Introduction to Special Populations	EDUC 2301	
	INST 3313—Survey of Instructional Technologies		
	TCED 4102--Secondary (4-8 & 7-12) Content Teacher Seminar		
	EDUC 4310—Theories of Educational Psychology		
	SILC 4315—Theories of American Pluralism		
	SPED 4300—Survey of Exceptionalities		

Teacher Education Program (TEP) Admission Requirements:

Completion of 60 semester credit hours.

Completion of prerequisite coursework (EDUC 4310, INST 3313, SILC 4315 & TCED 4102).

Public speaking requirement met.

Basic skills in reading, mathematics & writing requirements met.

2.750 GPA overall or in the last 60 semester credit hours.

Completion of 12 semester credit hours in the subject-specific content area for target teacher certification.

\$57 TEA Admission Fee

Application for admission to the Teacher Education Program (TEP).

Major Requirements (51 hours):	UHCL Course Title	TCCNS*	CODE
	GEOG 1301—Modern Physical Geography	GEOG 1301	
	GEOG 1302—Global Geography	GEOG 1302	
	GEOG 1303—World Regional Geography	GEOG 1303	
	GEOG 4314—Teaching Geography		

Major Requirements (51 hours, continued):	UHCL Course Title	TCCNS*	CODE
	HIST 2301—Texas History	HIST 2301	
	HIST 3325—Colonial America		
	HIST 3327—The New American Nation		
	HIST 3330—Civil War & Reconstruction		
	LLLS 4311—Survey of Reading		
	LLLS 4345—Survey of Children's Literature		
	LLLS 4351—Reading in Content Subjects		
	MATH 1350—Fundamentals of Mathematics I	MATH 1350	
	MATH 1351—Fundamentals of Mathematics II	MATH 1351	
	TCED 4304—Creating Positive Learning Environments in 4-8		
Choose ONE of the following:	WRIT 3304—Writing for Education		
	WRIT 3307—Advanced Writing		

Choose TWO natural science courses in addition to the University Core. (Can be completed at the community college.)

*GPA of 2.500 or higher required in GEOG and HIST coursework.

*Grade of B- or better required in WRIT 3304 or WRIT 3307.

Pedagogy Requirements (15 hours):	
TCED 4331—Social Studies Methods for Grades 4-8	TCED 4978—Pre-Service Internship II/Student Teaching
TCED 4378—Pre-Service Internship I	

- Enrollment in the courses listed above requires admission to TEP.
- 3.000 GPA required in pedagogy coursework.
- TCED 4378 must be taken in the fall or spring semester immediately preceding the final semester.
- TCED 4978 must be taken in the final semester.

Teacher Certification Requirements

- Among the 4 natural science courses (2 in the University Core and 2 outside the University Core), at least one course in each of the following areas is required: BIOL, GEOL and CHEM/PHYS/ASTR
- Passing scores on the appropriate state assessments (Texas Examinations of Educator Standards [TExES]) are required for recommendation for teacher certification.
 - Social Studies 4-8 TExES #118
 - Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-12 TExES #160
- All courses outside the University Core must be C- or better.

General Degree Requirements

- Students must complete at least 127 semester credit hours. A minimum of 45 hours of the 120 semester hours must be advanced (3000-4000 level) course work according to the requirements of the respective major.
- Students must complete the University Core Curriculum requirements (refer to Core Curriculum Requirements in the UHCL Catalog).
- Students must fulfill the statutory requirements of the Texas State Education Code, including the following:
 - Six hours of U.S. History (three hours may be Texas History).
 - Six hours of Constitutions of the United States and Texas.
- Students must demonstrate writing proficiency by completing nine hours of lower-level (1000-2000 level) and upper-level (3000-4000 level) English composition course credit with a minimum grade of "C-" or better. Some majors may require higher grades in English composition.
- Students must complete at least 25% of the credit hours required for the degree (i.e., 30 semester credit hours for a 120 credit hour program) through instruction offered by UHCL to fulfill the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) residency requirements.
- Students must complete the final 30 semester hours of 3000 and 4000 level course work in residence at UHCL.
- Students must complete a minimum of 12 semester credit hours of upper-level (3000-4000 level) coursework in the major in residence at UHCL.
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.000 on course work completed at UHCL with grades of "C" or better on at least 30 hours of resident upper-level work. Grades of "C-" or below cannot be applied toward the 30 hours of resident upper-level work.