

Application for Admission Advanced Certification Program

After being admitted to UHCL, students seeking an advanced educator certification offered by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) must be admitted into the Advanced Certification Program. Please complete this form and submit as directed.

Name: _____ UHCL ID: _____ TEA ID: _____

Certifications

Please mark all certifications that are included as part of your graduate program.

- Principal as Instructional Leader School Counselor School Librarian
 Superintendent Reading Specialist

Criminal Background Check

The State of Texas, Texas Education Agency (TEA) and the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) require that an educator preparation program inform all program applicants and candidates about the State's rules on criminal background checks from the Texas Occupations Code Chapter 53, the Texas Education Code Chapter 22.0831 and the Texas Administrative Code, Part VII, Chapter 227, Subchapter B.

Initial next to each of the below items to confirm you have read and understand the State's rules on criminal background checks:

____ I understand that an individual who has been convicted of an offense may be *ineligible* for the issuance of an educator certificate upon completion of an educational program.

____ I understand that TEA will conduct a national criminal history check on me when I apply for my educator certificate and when I am a certified educator.

____ I have read and understand TEA's National Criminal History Checks-FAQs at:
http://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Investigations/National_Criminal_History_Checks-FAQs/.

____ I understand that I may request a Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation from TEA if I have reason to believe that I may be ineligible for educator certification due to a conviction or deferred adjudication for a felony or misdemeanor offense, per Texas Occupation Code Section 53.102. I have read and understand TEA's Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation-FAQs at:
http://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Investigations/Preliminary_Criminal_History_Evaluation-FAQs/

____ I have read and understand the current guidelines issued by SBEC on the following:
a. Disciplinary Policy Guidelines
http://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Investigations/Disciplinary_Policy_and_Mission_Statement_-_State_Board_for_Educator_Certification/
b. Educator Discipline – FAQs http://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Investigations/Educator_Discipline_-_FAQs/

Roles and Responsibilities of an Educator

Initial next to the item below to confirm you have read and understand the roles and responsibilities of Texas educators:

____ I understand the roles and responsibilities of a teacher from reading, "7 Things to Know Before Becoming an Educator" at:
<https://www.uhcl.edu/education/documents/7-things-to-know-before-becoming-teacher.pdf>

Applicant Signature

Date

Note: After you self-enroll in the Blackboard Workgroup, "COE Advanced Certification Program Admission", you will be asked to complete the COE Disposition Acknowledgement. After that you will be able to upload this application and all other required documents.