

## COE INITIAL TExES EXAM POLICY

### ACCREDITATION ATTEMPTS

#### TEExES EXAM ATTEMPT 1

1. Complete PSP from TCED 4100/4102 or ECED 4100 recording required study hours for exam(s)
2. **Use REA Manual in TCED 4100/4102 or ECED 4100 to access Practice Exam; pass with  $\geq 80\%$**
3. If a score of 80% is not achieved on an **REA practice test** (or student does not have access to REA practice test), **the student will use another online representative practice exam of their choice scoring  $\geq 80\%$  or 240**
4. Submit PSP along with Practice Exam score report to [stateassessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:stateassessments@uhcl.edu)
5. State assessments office will grant approval for **Attempt 1 of TExES exam**
6. Registration confirmation & link will be sent
7. Pass TExES exam with 240

#### TEExES EXAM ATTEMPT 2

1. **Communicate with State Assessments Coordinator to develop new study plan for TExES exam Attempt 2**
2. Complete new PSP with updated study hours
3. **Obtain approval from State Assessments Office prior to practice exam for Attempt 2.**
4. **Exam Edge\* Program Voucher will be provided; pass representative Practice Exam with  $\geq 240$ .**
5. Submit PSP along with Exam Edge Practice Exam Certificate to [stateassessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:stateassessments@uhcl.edu)
6. State assessments office will grant approval for **Attempt 2 of TExES exam**
7. Registration confirmation & link will be sent
8. Pass TExES exam with 240

*\*Exam Edge is the required practice exam prior to Attempt 2 of TExES certification exam; the voucher makes it free of charge to students.*

#### TEExES EXAM ATTEMPT 3

1. **Continue to study using a variety of resources**
2. Complete new PSP with updated study hours
3. **The student will use an online representative practice exam of their choice scoring  $\geq 90\%$  or 245**
4. Submit PSP along with Practice Exam score report to [stateassessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:stateassessments@uhcl.edu)
5. State assessments office will grant approval for **Attempt 3 of TExES exam**
6. Registration confirmation & link will be sent
7. Pass TExES exam with 240

#### TEExES EXAM ATTEMPT 4

1. **Continue to study using a variety of resources**
2. Complete new PSP with updated study hours
3. **The student will use an online representative practice exam of their choice scoring  $\geq 90\%$  or 245**
4. Submit PSP along with Practice Exam score report to [stateassessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:stateassessments@uhcl.edu)
5. State assessments office will grant approval for **Attempt 4 of TExES exam**
6. Registration confirmation & link will be sent
7. Pass TExES exam with 240

#### TEExES EXAM ATTEMPT 5

1. **Continue to study using a variety of resources**
2. Complete new PSP with updated study hours
3. **The student will use an online representative practice exam of their choice scoring  $\geq 95\%$  or 250**
4. Submit PSP along with Practice Exam score report to [stateassessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:stateassessments@uhcl.edu)
5. State assessments office will grant approval for **Attempt 5 of TExES exam**
6. Registration confirmation & link will be sent
7. Pass TExES exam with 240

**A 6<sup>th</sup> Attempt at the TExES Certification Exam will require TEA Approval.**

**PASSING ALL TExES EXAMS PRIOR TO PARTICIPATION IN TCED 4978 (CLINICAL TEACHING 2) IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.**

# UHCL TExES Certification Exam Sequence

## 1. TEP Admission

Apply to UHCL Teacher Education Program (TEP):

<https://www.uhcl.edu/education/certification/certification-requirements/teacher-education-program-application>

All requirements must be met before submitting the TEP application, prerequisite courses below may be in progress.

EDUC 4310, ECED 1354, TCED 6031 or ECED 5301  
SILC 4315/6030 or ECED 4322

INST 3313 or SPED 4300  
TCED 4100, TCED 4102, or ECED 4100

## 2. TCED 4100/4102 or ECED 4100

Earn credit (CR) in TCED 4100, TCED 4102, or ECED 4100 by completing all requirements as outlined in the course syllabus. This includes completing a Personal Study Plan (PSP) for each TExES certification exam and submitting to [StateAssessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:StateAssessments@uhcl.edu).

## 3. TExES Practice Exams

Select a practice exam program and complete a representative exam for each TExES certification area. Score a minimum of 240 or 80% and submit to [StateAssessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:StateAssessments@uhcl.edu).

Practice exam program information can be found here:

<https://www.uhcl.edu/education/certification/state-assessments/>

## 4. TExES Certification Exams

Receive registration approval from State Assessments Office and follow steps to select exam appointment.

Candidates may take the Content, PPR, and Supplemental exams in any sequence, based on course completion and preparation.

See document: *UHCL Recommended Coursework*

## 5. Clinical Teaching 1 TCED 4378

Field experience class. Campus assignment made through UHCL Center for Professional Development of Teachers Office.

Prerequisites include Acceptance into TEP, completion of Advanced WRIT course

TExES Certification Exams may be in progress while enrolled in Clinical Teaching I: TCED 4378

## 6. Clinical Teaching 2 TCED 4978

Clinical Teaching class. Campus assignment made through UHCL Center for Professional Development of Teachers Office.

Prerequisites include grade of B- or better in TCED 4378 and completion of all field experience courses.

All TExES Certification Exams are **recommended** to be completed prior to enrollment.

## TEXES INITIAL CERTIFICATION EXAM TABLE

EC6 EARLY CHILDHOOD CONCENTRATION	EC6 READING CONCENTRATION	EC6 BILINGUAL CONCENTRATION	EC6 ESL CONCENTRATION	EC6 SPECIAL EDUCATION CONCENTRATION
Core Subjects EC-6 (391)	Core Subjects EC-6 (391)	Core Subjects EC-6 (391)	Core Subjects EC-6 (391)	Core Subjects EC-6 (391)
(901) ELAR	(901) ELAR	(901) ELAR	(901) ELAR	(901) ELAR
(902) Math	(902) Math	(902) Math	(902) Math	(902) Math
(903) Social Studies	(903) Social Studies	(903) Social Studies	(903) Social Studies	(903) Social Studies
(904) Science	(904) Science	(904) Science	(904) Science	(904) Science
(905) Fine Arts/ PE/Health	(905) Fine Arts/ PEHealth	(905) Fine Arts/ PE/Health	(905) Fine Arts/ PE/Health	(905) Fine Arts/ PE/Health
<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>
<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>	<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>	<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>	<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>	<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>
		<b>(190) BTLPT</b>	<b>(154) ESL</b>	<b>(161) SPED EC-12</b>
		<b>(164) Bilingual</b>		

Early Childhood: PK-3
<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>
<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>
<b>(292) Early Childhood: PK -3 Generalist</b>

4-8 CORE SUBJECTS	4-8 CORE SUBJECTS ESL CONCENTRATION	4-8 ELAR	4-8 ELAR & SOCIAL STUDIES	4-8 MATHEMATICS	4-8 SCIENCE	4-8 SOCIAL STUDIES
Core Subjects 4-8 (211)	Core Subjects 4-8 (211)	ELAR 4-8 (217)	ELAR & SS (113)	Math 4-8 (115)	Science 4-8 (116)	Social Studies 4-8 (118)
(806) ELAR	(806) ELAR	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>
(807) Math	(807) Math	<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>	<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>			
	(808) Social Studies					
(809) Science	(809) Science					
<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>					
<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>	<b>(293) Science of Teaching Reading</b>					
	<b>(154) ESL Supplemental</b>					

ART	PHYSICAL EDUCATION
<b>(178) ART E-12</b>	<b>(258) Physical Education EC-12</b>
<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>

SECONDARY ELAR	SECONDARY SOCIAL STUDIES	SECONDARY HISTORY	SECONDARY MATHEMATICS	SECONDARY LIFE SCIENCE
ELAR 7-12 (331)	Social Studies 7-12 (232)	History 7-12 (233)	Mathematics 7-12 (235)	Life Science 7-12 (238)
<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>

*See the Undergraduate Catalog for more information about each course including specific semester offerings. These courses are highly recommended prerequisites for TExES Certification Exam preparation.*

### **Content Specific**

- ECED 4314 Observational/Developmental Assessment of Young Children (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4304 Facilitating Children's Dev. through Fine Arts, Health, and Physical Education (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4307 Mathematics and Science in Early Childhood Education (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4342 Social Studies Methods for PK-3 (PK-3 candidates; pre-reqs are ECED 4303 & ECED 4328)
- ECED 4343 Science Methods for PK-3 (PK-3 candidates; pre-reqs are ECED 4303 & ECED 4328)
- ECED 4344 Mathematics Methods for PK-3 (PK-3 candidates; pre-reqs are ECED 4303, ECED 4307, & ECED 4328)
  
- TCED 4321 Social Studies Methods for EC-6 (pre-req is TCED 4303)
- TCED 4322 Science Methods for EC-6 (pre-req is TCED 4303)
- TCED 4323 Mathematics Methods for EC-6 (pre-req is Math 3302 & TCED 4303)
  
- TCED 4331 Social Studies Methods for Grades 4-8 (pre-req is TCED 4304)
- TCED 4332 Science Methods for Grades 4-8 (pre-req is TCED 4304)
- TCED 4333 Mathematics Methods for Grades 4-8 (pre-req is Math 1315 & TCED 4304)
  
- TCED 4361 Methods in Secondary Social Studies (pre-req is TCED 4306)
- TCED 4362 Methods in Secondary Science (pre-req is TCED 4306)
- TCED 4363 Methods in Secondary Mathematics (pre-req is Math 3304 & TCED 4306)

### **Science of Teaching Reading**

- ECED 4305 Language Development Birth-Age 5 (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4311 Reading Development in Young Children (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4341 The Science of Teaching Reading for PK-3 (PK-3 candidates; pre-reqs are ECED 4305 & ECED 4311)
  
- LLLS 4311 Survey of Reading (EC-6 & 4-8 Core Subjects candidates)
- LLLS 4351 Reading in Content Subjects (Content Specific 4-8 & 7-12 candidates)
- LLLS 4344 Literacy Methods for EC-6
- LLLS 4346 Literacy Methods for 4-8
  
- LLLS 4364 Methods in Secondary English/Language Arts

**Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities**

- ECED 4303 Child Guidance & Classroom Management for Young Children (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4320 Play in Early Childhood Curriculum (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4326 Effective and Positive Classroom Interactions for Young Children (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4328 Early Childhood Curriculum and Pedagogy (PK-3 candidates)
- ECED 4332 Teaching Young Children with Special Needs (PK-3 candidates)
  
- TCED 4303 Creating Positive Learning Environments in EC-6 *or*
- TCED 4304 Creating Positive Learning Environments in 4-8 *or*
- TCED 4306 Creating Positive Learning Environments in 7-12

**ESL Supplemental**

- SILC 4302 Introduction to the Study of Languages
- SILC 4310 Foundations of Bilingual and ESL Education
- SILC 4311 ESL Methods
- SILC 4312 Content-Based ESL
- SILC 4313 Language Learning

**Bilingual Education Supplemental & BTLPT**

- SILC 4301 Spanish for Bilingual Teachers (pre-req is Fluency in Spanish)
- SILC 4310 Foundations of Bilingual and ESL Education
- SILC 4313 Language Learning
- SILC 4316 Bilingual Curriculum in the Content Areas (pre-req is SILC 4301)
- SILC 4351 Development of Biliteracy (pre-req is SILC 4301)

**Special Education EC-12**

- SPED 4311 Assessment in Special Education (pre-req is SPED 2301)
- SPED 4312 Diagnostic Instruction for Learners with Special Needs (pre-req is SPED 4311)
- SPED 4313 Individualizing Inst. for Students with Disabilities (pre-reqs are SPED 4311; 4312; 4321; 4332)
- SPED 4321 Implementing Positive Behavioral Supports (pre-req is SPED 2301)
- SPED 4332 Early Childhood Special Education (pre-req is SPED 2301)

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ UHCL ID # \_\_\_\_\_

## UHCL College of Education Initial TExES Exam Policy Acknowledgement

1. Select **ALL** Certification Exams to be taken for your certification area (Refer to TExES Initial Certification Exam Table)
2. While having all TExES exams passed is no longer a **requirement** for participation in Clinical Teaching 2, it is still **strongly encouraged**.

CONTENT		SUPPLEMENTALS	Core Subjects EC-6 (391*)	Core Subjects 4-8 (211*)	PK-3 Generalist (292)
(113*) ELAR & SocStu	(178) ART EC-12	(154) ESL	(901) ELAR	(806) ELAR	(292) PK-3
(115) Math 4-8	(331) ELAR 7-12	(164) Bilingual & (190) BTLPT	(902) Math	(807) Math	
(116) Science 4-8	(232) SocStu 7-12		(903) SocStu	(808) SocStu	
(217*) ELAR 4-8	(233) History 7-12	(161) SPED EC-12	(904) Science	(809) Science	
(118) SocStu 4-8	(235) Math 7-12		(905) Fine Arts/ Health/ PE		
(258) PhysEd EC-12	(238) Life Science 7-12				

<b>(160) PPR EC-12</b>	<b>(293*) Science of Teaching Reading</b>
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^All candidates receiving a first Texas certificate for a teaching area must pass a PPR examination in addition to the content test(s) required.

\*STR is a requirement for the certifications indicated.

Certification \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

UHCL ID# \_\_\_\_\_

**INITIAL CERTIFICATION - PERSONAL STUDY PLAN (PSP)**Exam Name (Subject/Content Area) \_\_\_\_\_  
(CS EC6 - Math; PPR - EC12; STR; PK-3 etc.)Exam Number \_\_\_\_\_  
(391; 160; 293; etc.)

Total Hours Studied \_\_\_\_\_

- I will study the recommended number of hours.
  - Core Subjects EC-6/4-8: minimum 5 hours per subject/content area (ELAR, Math, Sci, SocStu, FA/PE/Health)
  - 4-8 Content Specific/ 7-12 Content Specific: 25 hours minimum
  - Science of Teacher Reading (STR) as required per certification: 5 hours minimum
  - PPR: 15 hours minimum
  - Supplemental exams: 15 hours minimum (BTLPT, BIL, ESL, SpEd)
- I understand that it is the **quality** of my study time, not the simply **quantity** of hours that will assist me in passing the TExES certification exams.
  - Recommended coursework completed before exam registration will help with content understanding
- I will record my study time and resources in the chart below. For Core Subjects – only ONE subject/content area per PSP page is to be recorded.
  - Submit documents via TCED 4100/TCED4102 Canvas shell for instructor approval
  - Send approved PSP to: [StateAssessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:StateAssessments@uhcl.edu) (Supplemental Exam PSPs do not require TCED 4100/4102 instructor approval)
- When I feel sufficiently prepared, I will take a representative practice exam in my certification area(s).
  - Students may take practice exams without permission to score the minimum passing standard (240 or 80%)
  - Send Practice Exam scoring documents to: [StateAssessments@uhcl.edu](mailto:StateAssessments@uhcl.edu)
- Once corresponding PSP documents and Practice Exams have been received by the State Assessments Office, students should expect registration approval via email.
  - Use appropriate naming configurations for PSP and Practice Exam files (i.e. PPR PSP\_Jones; PPR Practice Exam\_Jones)
  - Legibly handwritten or typed.pdf or MSWord are acceptable; photos, pictures and screenshots will not be accepted
  - Core Subjects candidates must submit **all** subjects/contents for testing approval
  - PSP documents can be submitted prior to and independent of Practice Exams; they will likely not all be completed in the same timeframe.
  - PLEASE NOTE: PSPs are only valid for one year from study dates.**
- If I am not successful on my initial attempt at the TExES certification exam, I will review and update my PSP and contact the State Assessments Coordinator for instructions prior to taking additional practice exams.

**Complete this table for ALL practice exam attempts**

Materials/Resources Used to Study	Time Spent with Each Resource	Date(s) Studied	Area of Study: Competency and description of work completed
Approval of TCED 4100/4102 or ECED 4100 Instructor indicating student has met requirements:		Approval Date:	

**Complete this table ONLY after an unsuccessful attempt at the TExES certification exam and prior to subsequent Practice Exams:**

Targeted improvement measures
Obtain approval from State Assessments Office prior to subsequent Practice Exam attempts.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

UHCL ID# \_\_\_\_\_

*Complete this page if necessary*

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Materials/Resources Used to Study	Time Spent with Each Resource	Date(s) Studied	Area of Study: Competency and description of work completed
Approval of TCED 4100/4102 Instructor indicating student has met requirements:		Approval Date:	

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