

Verification of

Speech Competency

for
Teacher Certification Students

As required by the State Board of Education rules for teacher certification, (Title 19, Part 7, Chapter 227, A. 10.), before students may be admitted to an educator preparation program, students must be screened for "college level skills in... oral communication". At the University of Houston-Clear Lake, students must be able to understand and speak the English language sufficiently to use it easily and readily in conversation and teaching.

To meet this requirement, students may choose either of the following options:

1. Students must complete, or have completed, an approved 3-hour college credit Public Speaking course with a grade of C- or better. Public speaking is not "Interpersonal Communication" or "Group Communication".

OR

2. Students must complete the following, obtain a UHCL instructor's signature, and upload this form to the Blackboard shell, along with all documents required for the Teacher Education Program. Students should select a UHCL instructor who has observed the student's public speaking skills in the **English** language, such as during a formal presentation.

Student's Name _____

Student I.D. _____

Expected Date of Completion of Certification - Semester/Year _____

Instructor's Name _____

Course _____

I verify that this student meets the above requirement for speech competency.

Signed _____ Date _____

UHCL Instructor's Signature