

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO TEACHER EDUCATION
ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
(Please return to Room 110 Chambers Hall)

Name _____ Date: _____ Email: _____
Last First Middle Maiden

SS# _____ Banner # _____ Sex: _____ Ethnic: _____ D.O.B. _____

Local Address: Street: _____ City: _____
Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Home Address: Street: _____ City: _____
State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Transfer Student: No ___ Yes ___ If yes, what Institution: _____

Date first enrolled at ACU _____ Class: Soph. ___ Jr. ___ Sr. ___ Post Grad. ___

Semester hours completed _____ Current GPA _____ "C" or higher in English? Yes ___ No ___

Elem/MS: Completed six hours of Freshman and three hours of Soph. English? Yes ___ No ___

Secondary: Completed six hours of Freshman and six hours of Soph. English? Yes ___ No ___

If no, please explain: _____

Have you taken the THEA (TASP) test? _____ If yes, date of test: _____

If no, when do you plan to take the THEA? _____

I expect to teach in (check):

___ Elementary Grades (EC - 4th) ___ Middle School (4th - 8th) ___ All-Levels Area: _____

___ Secondary (8th - 12th) - Area of Concentration: _____
(example: English, Mathematics, etc.)

___ English as a Second Language ___ Other, Specify _____

I submit the following three Abilene Christian University professors for recommendations; at least one from my area of concentration (if secondary):

Name	Department
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Signature of Student _____

Please read and sign
Criteria and Requirements for Teacher Education

Before taking more than six hours of any combination of EDUC, EACH, SPED, or READ classes, a student must first be admitted to the Teacher Education Program.

To be admitted to the Teacher Education Program, a student must:

1. Complete at least 60 semester hours of credit;
2. Have a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.7 cumulative and a 2.7 GPA in your teaching field. Any student who does not have a 2.7 cumulative will be given one semester of probation to improve his/her GPA. If the cumulative GPA is not 2.7 or above at the end of the semester the student will be asked to consider other options in regard to a major. The student may reapply for teacher education when his/her GPA meets the 2.7 requirement;
3. Complete 9 hours of English if an Elementary or Middle School major; complete 12 hours English if Secondary or All Level major; no grade lower than a C accepted;
4. Pass all three sections of the Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA) test, with a score of 260 or above on the Reading section, 240 or above on the Math, and 220 or above on Written Language. (We do not accept exemptions for the THEA).
5. Complete and submit an application for admission into the Teacher Education Program;
6. Have three written recommendations from faculty members who are familiar with the student's work and can discuss his/her potential as a teacher;
7. Have approval by the Dean of Students (*Note: Done through contact of the Department of Education and the Dean of Students*).
8. Have health and physical clearance from the university doctor or nurse *if deemed necessary* by the Teacher Education Admissions committee.
9. Receive approval from the Teacher Education Admissions and Review Committee.

Any exemptions or modifications to the above requirements due to special circumstances must be requested through the Chair of the Department of Education. All requests will be reviewed and must be approved by the Teacher Education Admissions and Review Committee. In addition, admission to teacher education is not the final step in the process. In order to remain in the program, the prospective teacher must continue to meet the GPA requirement (2.7). Approval to take Education Block classes (411/412 and 431/432) and to enroll in student teaching must be obtained from the Teacher Education Admissions and Review Committee before enrolling in those classes.

I have read and understand the criteria and requirements above:

Signature of Student: _____