

Stephen F. Austin State University
Undergraduate Criteria for Admission to Educator Certification Program

1. A degree plan with approximately **60** semester hours completed including at least **12** hours in the teaching field/certification content area. A degree plan can be filed after completing 45 hours.
2. An overall GPA and teaching field GPA of at least **2.5** from SFASU is required for admission into the program. **Both** GPAs must be maintained throughout the certification program.
3. A Basic Skills score in reading, written communication, and mathematics must be achieved from one of the following tests or a combination thereof:
 - a. **THEA**
 - i. Reading Score: 245
 - ii. Writing Score: 220
 - iii. Math Score: 230
 - b. **ACCUPLACER**
 - i. Reading Score: 83
 - ii. Written score: 6 (or 5 with a writing skills score of 80)
 - iii. Math Score: 63
 - c. **ASSET**
 - i. Reading Score: 44
 - ii. Written Score: 6 (or 5 with a writing skills score of 40)
 - iii. Math Score: 38
 - d. **COMPASS**
 - i. Reading Score: 84
 - ii. Written Score: 6 (or 5 with a writing skills score of 59)
 - iii. Math Score: 39
 - e. **ACT**
 - i. Composite Score: 23
 - f. **SAT**
 - i. Composite Score: 1070

NOTE: TESTS MUST HAVE BEEN TAKEN WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS.

4. Students must read and abide by the policies and procedures listed in the Undergraduate Initial Certification Program Handbook.
5. Students must adhere to the State code of ethics.
6. A fee of **\$100** will be charged to the student's **mySFA** student account for each application submitted.
7. Students will be required to successfully complete the State mandated fingerprint background check to be certified.

****The rules are subject to change by action of the State Board for Educator Certification or by the SFASU Professional Educators' Council.***

Checklist for Submitting Application	
<i>Attached</i>	<i>Requirement</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Degree Plan >60 hours with at least 12 hours in teaching field/certification content area
<input type="checkbox"/>	Overall GPA >2.5
<input type="checkbox"/>	Basic Skills Score Result