

Professional Certification EPP Process

Students seeking Texas teacher certification as part of their graduate degree program must be admitted to the HBU Educator Preparation Program (EPP).

BEFORE EPP ADMISSION	
	Earn a Bachelor’s degree or higher
	Submit completed Graduate admissions and EPP applications
	Submit <u>all</u> transcripts where courses were taken for college/university credit
	Have a minimum cumulative GPA or last 60 hours GPA of 3.0 or higher on all college/university course work attempted
	Successfully pass the EPP Admission Interview
AFTER EPP ADMISSION	
	Observe <u>all</u> guidelines outlined in the EPP Handbook
	Complete all certification plan coursework with a 3.0 GPA and “B” or better
	Meet eligibility to begin an Internship/practicum, as applicable. If necessary, complete CPPE and TEA processes to obtain an Intern certificate
	As requested, pass a national criminal history check for the Texas Education Agency (TEA). A conviction or deferred adjudication may result in ineligibility for Texas issue of a educator certificate. The candidate may request a Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation from TEA if there is reason to believe ineligibility may occur due to a prior conviction
	Pass the state exam
	Submit an official service record to the CPPE Director during the semester of graduation verifying required years of educator service for the respective certification being sought
	Apply and pay for a Standard certificate