

# TEACHING - EARLY CHILDHOOD TO 6TH GRADE, ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN TEACHING



## Shape the Next Generation

The world needs more teachers, perhaps more than any other profession. Unlike most career paths, teaching is a calling, one that takes a unique personality willing to listen to, learn from, and shape the students the teacher will have in their classroom. If you feel an internal pull toward this field, obtaining an Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) degree from San Jacinto College is the best way to start.

The AAT degree is transferable to Texas public universities and lays the initial foundation needed for a Texas teacher certification. Students will be exposed to the full spectrum of primary education and can specialize in teaching elementary, middle, or high school grade-level subjects. Students who complete the AAT will be required to meet any and all entrance requirements of the transferring university and the educator preparation program, including grade point averages and/or testing requirements.

- EC-6 AAT – This degree pathway is for students who want to teach early childhood through 6th grade. Students will gain knowledge across multiple disciplines so that those certified under EC-6 will have the skills to teach reading, writing, math, science, and history.
- 7-12 History AAT – This degree pathway is for students who want to teach history in grade levels 7-12.
- 7-12 Life Science AAT – This degree pathway is for students who want to teach biology or other life science courses in grade levels 7-12.
- 7-12 ELA AAT – This degree pathway is for students who want to teach English/Language Arts in grade levels 7-12.

## Career Information

Early childhood (preschool) teachers: \$39,876<sup>1</sup>

Elementary, middle, and high school (secondary) school teachers: \$62,912<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Source: [www.texaswages.com](http://www.texaswages.com) (<http://texaswages.com>), median salary Gulf Coast region, 2023

## Campuses

Central Campus

Generation Park Campus

North Campus

South Campus

San Jac Online

## Information

The Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) is a collegiate degree program approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) consisting of lower-division courses intended for transfer to baccalaureate programs that lead to initial Texas teacher certification. The AAT degree, as defined by THECB, is fully transferable to all Texas public universities.

Students who complete the AAT at San Jacinto College will be required to meet any and all entrance requirements of the receiving university and the educator preparation program, including grade point averages and/or testing requirements.

Students who take CDEC classes that require lab hours and/or the following TECA classes: TECA 1303 Family, School, and Community, TECA 1311 Educating Young Children, TECA 1318 Wellness of the Young Child, and TECA 1354 Child Growth and Development, must complete a field experience as a part of the course. Field experiences consist of official, scheduled observation hours at one of the following: 1) a licensed early childhood setting; 2) the Central campus SJC Child Development Lab School (NAEYC Accredited); or 3) the North campus Bezos Academy. Each course requires a specific number of field experience hours, and hours cannot be used for other CDEC/TECA courses.

Students enrolling into San Jacinto College programs with external learning experiences (i.e., clinical, practicum, externship, cooperative, etc.) will be required to comply with the immunization requirements and policies of the clinical/external learning sites to engage in all clinical/external learning experiences. Vaccination requirements at clinical/external learning sites are implemented pursuant to the independent authority of such facilities and are not mandated by San Jacinto College. Failure to meet the immunization requirements mandated by clinical/external learning sites may limit a student's ability to complete the program and/or may delay the student's graduation date. San Jacinto College does not process exemptions, and students should address potential vaccination exemptions directly with the clinical/external learning site.

## Plan of Study (Degree Plan)

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Texas Direct (<https://www.highered.texas.gov/texas-direct/>) – by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board – “provides seamless transfer degree pathways between two- and four-year institutions. Students who complete the Texas Core Curriculum and Field of Study at any public two-year institution automatically qualify to receive an associate degree – the Texas Direct Transfer Degree. They are also

qualified to transfer their courses as a block applied directly to their selected major.”

The Texas Direct Education EC-6 Field of Study is embedded in the Teaching Early Childhood to 6th Grade, AAT. A student completing the degree will also have completed the field of study, the state required core curriculum, and all lower division course requirements. State regulations ensure transfer to your chosen public university with junior status.

### First Year

First Term		Credits
Select one of the following: <sup>1</sup>		3
MATH 1314	College Algebra	
MATH 1332	Contemporary Mathematics (Quantitative Reasoning)	
MATH 1342	Elementary Statistical Methods (Statistics)	
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
American History		3
EDUC 1100	Learning Framework	1
EDUC 1301	Introduction to the Teaching Profession	3

**Credits** **13**

### Second Term

ENGL 1302	Composition II	3
or ENGL 2311	or Technical and Business Writing	
Creative Arts (Fine Arts)		3
American History		3
Social and Behavioral Sciences		3
EDUC 2301	Introduction to Special Populations	3

**Credits** **15**

### Second Year

#### First Term

Life and Physical Science (Natural Science) lecture & lab		4
Language, Philosophy and Culture (Humanities)		3
GOVT 2305	Federal Government (Federal Constitution and Topics)	3
MATH 1350	Mathematics for Teachers I (Fundamentals of Mathematics I)	3
Directed Electives (see list below) <sup>2</sup>		3

**Credits** **16**

#### Second Term

Life and Physical Science (Natural Science) lecture & lab		4
GOVT 2306	Texas Government (Texas Constitution and Topics)	3
Component Area Option (see Directed Electives list for potential courses) <sup>2</sup>		3
MATH 1351	Mathematics for Teachers II (Fundamentals of Mathematics II)	3
Directed Electives (see list below) <sup>2</sup>		3

**Credits** **16**

**Total Credits** **60**

<sup>1</sup> One of the listed MATH courses is preferred to satisfy the Mathematics core curriculum requirement; a different core course may be used as needed.

<sup>2</sup> See the "Texas Direct" section below for information regarding Directed Electives.

## Texas Direct, Education EC-6 Field of Study

### Directed Electives

In addition to the courses specified in the transfer path and the core curriculum for the Teaching Early Childhood to 6th Grade, AAT, students complete an additional six hours. Any of the academic courses in the list below satisfy the requirement for the Teaching Early Childhood to 6th Grade, AAT. To facilitate transfer, students are advised to complete the academic courses listed below for the university to which they plan to transfer. If the preferred university is not listed, please contact a San Jacinto College advisor and an advisor at the preferred university.

University	Course
Angelo State University	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; HIST 2301
Lamar University	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH)
Midwestern State University	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; HIST 1301; HIST 1302; GEOL 1301; GEOL 1101; MUSI 1306; TECA 1354
Prairie View A&M University	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH)
Sam Houston State University	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; ECON 2301; HIST 2301; GEOL 1301; GEOL 1101; GEOL 1303; GEOL 1103; MUSI 1306; TECA 1354; ARTS 1301; TECA 1303
Stephen F. Austin State University	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH)
Sul Ross State University	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH)
Sul Ross State University-Rio Grande College	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH)
Tarleton State University	ECON 2301; TECA 1354
Texas A&M International University	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; GEOL 1301; GEOL 1101
Texas A&M University	HIST 2301; TECA 1311
Texas A&M University-Commerce	ENGL 1302; TECA 1354
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi	HIST 2301; TECA 1354; ARTS 1301
Texas A&M University-Kingsville	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; GEOL 1301; GEOL 1101; GEOL 1303; GEOL 1103
Texas A&M University-San Antonio	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; HIST 2301
Texas A&M University-Tearkana	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3SCH)
Texas Southern University	MUSI 1306; ARTS 1301
Texas State University	ENGL 1302; HIST 2301; TECA 1354
Texas Tech University	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; HIST 2301
Texas Woman's University	HIST 2301; TECA 1311
The University of Texas at Arlington	HIST 2301; TECA 1354
The University of Texas at Austin	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; HIST 2301
The University of Texas at Dallas	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH)
The University of Texas at El Paso	TECA 1354
The University of Texas at Tyler	BIOL 1308, ARTS 1301

The University of Texas Permian Basin	HIST 2301 GEOL 1303; GEOL 1103
The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	MUSI 1306; ARTS 1301
University of Houston	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH)
University of Houston-Clear Lake	TECA 1354; TECA 1303
University of Houston-Downtown	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108
University of Houston-Victoria	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; ECON 2301; ENGL 1302; GEOL 1301; GEOL 1101; MUSI 1306; ARTS 1301; GEOL 1303; GEOL 1103
University of North Texas	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; ECON 2301; HIST 2301; GEOL 1301; GEOL 1101; MUSI 1306; TECA 1354; ARTS 1301; GEOL 1303; GEOL 1103; TECA 1303
The University of North Texas at Dallas	BIOL 1308; BIOL 1108; HIST 2301
The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio	ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH); ANY ACADEMIC (3 SCH)

If you do not see your transfer school, please follow the Plan of Study. (p. 1) For more information, contact an Admissions Advisor. Please speak to an advisor at San Jacinto College and the transfer institution to ensure this Transfer Plan is accurate and complete. For a list of all MAPs, students may go to Transfer Plans A-Z (<https://publications.sanjac.edu/transfer-plan-maps/>). Students may filter for specific universities, disciplines, or degrees, and print individual MAPs.

#### Teaching, Early Childhood to 6th Grade

UHCL, Teaching EC6, BS Full-time (<https://publications.sanjac.edu/map-uhcl-teach-ec6-bsft/>)

UHCL, Teaching EC6, BS Part-time (<https://publications.sanjac.edu/map-uhcl-teach-ec6-bspt/>)

UH Downtown, Teacher Education, BA Full-time (<https://publications.sanjac.edu/map-uh-downtown-teach-ed-baft/>)

UH Downtown, Teacher Education, BA Part-time (<https://publications.sanjac.edu/map-uh-downtown-teach-ed-bapt/>)

UH Main, Teaching EC6, BS Full-time (<https://publications.sanjac.edu/map-uh-main-teach-ec6-bsft/>)

UH Main, Teaching EC6, BS Part-time (<https://publications.sanjac.edu/map-uh-main-teach-ec6-bspt/>)