

**Bachelor of Arts (BA)  
English  
Teacher Certification 4-8**

The 2026-2027 list of core courses can be found in the 2026-2027 Undergraduate Catalog: [www.utrgv.edu/catalog](http://www.utrgv.edu/catalog) > See 'Bachelors Degree Program Regulations'

| Symbols Key  |          |              |                             |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
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| Campus: B - Offered in Brownsville; E - Offered in Edinburg; O - Offered Online; T - Travel Required   |          |              |                             |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| Bolted Course Number*: Program Admission Requirement   |          |              |                             |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| Min Grade: A - Excellent; B - Good; C - Satisfactory; D - Below Average; CR - Credit; P - Passing; S - Satisfactory.   |          |              |                             |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| Core: 010 - Communication; 020 - Mathematics; 030 - Life and Physical Sciences; 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture; 050 - Creative Arts; 060 - American History; 070 - Government/Political Science; 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences; |          |              |                             |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| Core: 090 - Applied Communication and Literacies; Humanities; Leadership; Science Labs; Interdisciplinary; Technologies; Language Diversity & Writing  |          |              |                             |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| Year   | Semester | Credit Hours | Campus                      | Course Number  | Course Title  | Minimum Grade | Core | Prerequisite  | Additional Notes   |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Communication   | C             | 010  | For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301. | See General Education Core for more details<br>Option: ENGL 1301   |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | American History  |               | 060  |   | See General Education Core for more details.<br>Options: HIST 1301 or HIST/MASC 2327   |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Creative Arts   |               | 050  |   | See General Education Core for course options. Recommended: ENGL 2312 History of Film  |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Mathematics   | C             | 020  | College Ready TSI status in Mathematics or MATH 0314/0332/0342.   | See General Education Core for course options.   |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Social and Behavioral Sciences  |               | 080  |   | See General Education Core for course options.   |  |
| 1  | Fall     |              | B/E/O                       | UNIV           | 1301 Learning Framework<br>1101 Academic and Career Success<br>1001/1300 Living and Working by Design |               |      |   | As required, based on a number of factors such as credit hours earned, TSI status, high school rank, major declaration, etc. |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 15           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Communication   | C             | 010  | For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301. | See General Education Core for more details<br>Options: ENGL 1302 or ENGL 1305   |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | American History  |               | 060  |   | See General Education Core for more details.<br>Options: HIST 1302 or HIST/MASC 2328   |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | POLS 2305      | U.S. Federal Govt & Politics  |               | 070  |   |  |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | ENGL 23XX      | Language, Philosophy and Culture  |               | 040  |   | ANY English 2300 level Literature course recommended   |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Integrative/Experiential Learning Option  |               | 090  |   | See General Education Core for course options. Recommended: INDS 2390  |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 15           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| Year   | Semester | Credit Hours | Campus                      | Course Number  | Course Title  | Minimum Grade | Core | Prerequisite  | Additional Notes   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 4            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Life and Physical Sciences  |               | 030  | May apply pending course selection  | See General Education Core for course options. 1 credit hour of lab may apply to category 090.                               |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | POLS 2306      | Texas Government & Politics   |               | 070  |   |  |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 1            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Integrative/Experiential Learning Option  |               | 090  |   | See General Education Core for course options.   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E                         | ENGL 3300      | Introduction to English Studies   |               |      | 6 hours of English  | Must be taken within the first 12 hours of the English major.  |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E                         | ENGL 33XX-43XX | Prescribed Elective - (Literature Survey)   |               |      |   | See Degree Plan for course options.  |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | E/O                         | ENGL 33XX-43XX | Prescribed Elective - (Linguistics)   |               |      |   | See Degree Plan for course options.  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 17           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 4            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1       | Life and Physical Sciences  |               | 030  | May apply pending course selection  | See General Education Core for course options. 1 credit hour of lab may apply to category 090.                               |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E                         | ENGL 33XX-43XX | Prescribed Elective - (Genre/Theme)   |               |      |   | See degree plan for course options.  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E                         | ENGL 3362      | English Grammar   |               |      | 6 hours of English.   |  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E                         | ENGL 3337      | Children's and Adolescent Literature  |               |      | 6 hours of English.   |  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E                         | EDFR 2301      | Intercultural Context of Schooling  |               |      |   |  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 16           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| <b>NOTE: Apply to the College of Education and P-16 Integration Educator Preparation program</b>   |          |              |                             |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |
| 2  | Summer   | 3            | E/O                         | ENGL 33XX-43XX | Concentration Elective (Literature Survey)  |               |      |   | See Degree Plan for course options.  |  |
| 2  | Summer   | 3            | O                           | EDUC 3301      | The Teaching Profession and Student Learning  |               |      |   | May be taken during summer session.  |  |
| 2  | Summer   | 6            | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |   |  |  |

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|------|---|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------|---|---------------|------|--|---|--|
| 3    | Fall  | 3            | O                           | READ 4344      | Writing, Inquiry, and Research in the Secondary ELAR Classroom            |               |      |  | Grades 4-8 & 7-12 Certification Preparation   |  |
| 3    | Fall  | 3            | B/E/O                       | ENGL 33XX-43XX | Prescribed Elective - (Period/Single Author)                              |               |      | 6 hours of English.  | See degree plan for course options.   |  |
| 3    | Fall  | 3            | O                           | READ 4343      | Literacy, Culture, and Diverse Learners                                   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 3    | Fall  | 3            | B/E                         | ENGL 4338      | Teaching Secondary School Literature                                      |               |      | 6 hours of English   |   |  |
| 3    | Fall  | 3            | B/E                         | READ 3320      | Early Literacy Development  |               |      |  |   |  |
| 3    | Fall  | 15           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 3    | Spring  | 3            | B/E/O                       | ENGL 33XX-43XX | Prescribed Elective - (Rhetorical Writing)                                |               |      |  | See Degree Plan for course options.   |  |
| 3    | Spring  | 3            | B/E                         | READ 3324      | Reading Comprehension and Assessment                                      |               |      | READ 3320.   |   |  |
| 3    | Spring  | 3            | B/E                         | EDUC 3302      | Knowledge of Student Development and Learning                             |               |      | Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program.   |   |  |
| 3    | Spring  | 3            | E                           | ENGL 33XX-43XX | Concentration Elective (Writing)  |               |      |  | See Degree Plan for course options.   |  |
| 3    | Spring  | 3            | B/E/O                       | ENGL 3351      | Creative Writing I  |               |      | 6 hours of English.  | Teacher Certification. May be taken during summer session.  |  |
| 3    | Spring  | 15           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |  |   |  |
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| 4    | Fall  | 3            | B/E/O                       | ENGL 4390      | Senior English Capstone   |               |      | ENGL 3300 and 24 hours of advanced English.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.   |  |
| 4    | Fall  | 3            | O                           | READ 4341      | Media Literacies for Secondary ELA/R Teacher                              |               |      |  | Grades 4-8 & 7-12 Certification Preparation   |  |
| 4    | Fall  | 3            | O                           | READ 4332      | Literary Assessment at the Secondary Level                                |               |      |  | Grades 4-8 & 7-12 Certification Preparation   |  |
| 4    | Fall  | 3            | B/E                         | EDUC 3306      | Evidence-Based Teaching in Positive Learning Environments                 |               |      | Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program, EDUC 3302.  | Teacher Certification   |  |
| 4    | Fall  | 3            | B/E                         | EDUC 3304      | Instructional Planning and Assessment in Culturally Sustaining Classrooms |               |      | Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program; EDUC 3302.  | Teacher Certification   |  |
| 4    | Fall  | 3            | B/E/O                       | READ 4305      | Disciplinary Literacy in the Classroom                                    |               |      |  | Teacher Certification   |  |
| 4    | Fall  | 18           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 4    | <b>Apply to Clinical Teaching program one semester prior to Student teaching semester (Spring for Fall, Fall for Spring).</b> |              |                             |                |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 4    | Spring  | 6            | B/E                         | EDUC 4611      | Student Teaching Secondary or All-Level                                   |               |      | Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program and Admission to CEP Clinical Teaching.                      | Students who have not passed both TEXES #160 (PPR) and their TEXES English exam are not permitted to do Student Teaching. Must be taken last semester. Only offered Fall or Spring. |  |
| 4    | Spring  | 3            | B/E                         | ENGL 4391      | Professional Development in Teaching                                      |               |      | Consent of department and admission to clinical teaching. Students must be concurrently enrolled in EDUC 4611. |   |  |
| 4    | Spring  | 9            | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |                |   |               |      |  |   |  |

126 **TOTAL HOURS**  
(42) **Advanced minimum credit hours**

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