

Minor in Teaching

The Department of Education at Trinity University offers a Minor in Teaching that allows students to select a focus on either elementary education (23 hours) or secondary education (20 hours) with a concentration on working with students with special needs or who are English language learners. Completion of the minor fulfills the prerequisites for admission to the MAT program; however, prerequisites can be fulfilled with select coursework outside of the minor (see MAT prerequisites). The minor is designed for students preparing to become teachers or who are interested in teaching English abroad or pursuing service opportunities such as the Peace Corps or City Year. For more information, contact Dr. Laura Allen, lallen@trinity.edu

I. Core Courses for the Minor: (6 hours)

EDUC 1331	Learners with Exceptionalities
EDUC 3320	Child and Adolescent Development

II. Plus two courses in either English as a Second Language (ESL) or Special Education:

A. ESL Concentration: (6 hours)

EDUC 3344	Teaching in the Bilingual Classroom
EDUC 3345	Principles and Practices for Teaching English Learners

B. Special Education Concentration: (6 hours)

EDUC 3330	Teaching Students with Learning and Behavioral Problems
EDUC 3332	Reading Difficulties with Diverse Populations

III. Students will then select either the Elementary or Secondary Pathway:

A. Elementary Pathway: (11 required hours)

1. EDUC 2201 Practicum: Early Childhood Teaching Exploration
2. EDUC 3301 Field Seminar in Elementary Literacy
3. EDUC 3341 Teaching Science in Elementary School
4. EDUC 3351 Mathematics in Elementary School

B. Secondary Pathway: (8 required hours)

1. EDUC 2202 Practicum: Secondary Teaching Exploration
2. EDUC 3302 Field Seminar in Secondary
3. Plus three additional hours of electives from the following courses:

EDUC 4102	Secondary Advanced Field Seminar (up to 3 hours credit allowed)
EDUC 1310	Seminar on Urban Education Policy and Practice
EDUC 3342	Teaching Science and Mathematics in Secondary Schools
HIST 3388	Methods of Instruction in History
Other ESL or Special Education courses not taken for the concentration (above)	