EDUCATION (Interdisciplinary Studies)

What can I do with this degree?

Education is a profession in which a person must dedicate their time to giving someone the tools to function in the everyday world. Without education society wouldn’t exist, let alone function. Teachers are the foundation for everyone’s career and schools are the launching point for some of the greatest minds.

**Education Skills**
- Ability to teach/train
- Writing and presenting
- Explaining ideas clearly
- Decision making
- Summarizing ideas

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<th>Ability to teach</th>
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**Certifications**

**Teacher certifications:**
- Early Childhood through Grade 4
- Grade 4 through Grade 8
- Grade 8 through Grade 12
- All level

**Professional Certificates:**
- Health and Wellness Promotion Certificate
- Principal & Superintendent
- School Counselor
- Reading Specialist
- Educational Diagnostician
- Master Math Teacher
- Master Reading Teacher
- Master Science Teacher

**Vocational Certificates:**
- Marketing Education
- Trade and Industrial Education

**Supplemental Certificates:**
- Bilingual Supplemental
- English as a Second Language Supplemental
- Special Education Supplemental
- Gifted and Talented Supplemental
- Driver Education

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

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CAREER PATHS
(Some of the occupations outlined in this brochure may require additional education or training)

...in Administrative/Support

Sample Job Titles
Admissions
Athletic Director & Coach
Audiovisual
Business Administrator
Counselor
Counselor (Vocational Rehabilitation)
Dean of Students
Institutional Research
Education Consultant
Education Program Director
Educational Therapist
Educational Research Assistant
Guidance Counselor
Librarian
Library Technical Assistant
Occupational Specialist
Principal
School Counselor
School Psychologist
School Social Worker
Speech-Language Pathologist & Audiologist
Superintendent Schools

Possible Work Settings
Adult Schools
Alternative Schools
Community Colleges
Continuing Education Centers
Correctional Institutions
Day Care Centers/ Nursery School
Libraries
Private & Public Schools
Trade Schools
Universities/ Colleges

...in Teaching

Sample Job Titles
Adjunct Professor
Adult Education Teachers
Agriculture Teacher
Art Teacher
Computer Literacy/ Media Teacher
Elementary School Teacher
English Teacher
English-as-a-Second Language Teacher (ESL)
Foreign Language Teacher
Health Teacher
Industrial Arts Teacher
Instructor
Math Teacher
Middle/ High School Teacher
Music Teacher
Physical Education Teacher
Preschool/ Kindergarten Teacher
Professor/ Faculty Member
Reading Teacher
Religion Teacher
School Library Media Specialist
Science Teacher
Secondary School Teacher
Special Education Teacher
Teacher Aide
Vocational Education Teacher

Possible Work Settings
Adult Schools
Alternative Schools
Community Colleges
Continuing Education Centers
Correctional Institutions

What can I do with this degree?
Day Care Centers/ Nursery Schools  Public Schools
Libraries  Trade Schools
Private Schools  Universities/ Colleges

...in Training/ Instructing

Sample Job Titles
Community/ Public Health Educator  Extension Service Specialist
Computer Training Specialist  Instructional Material Designer
Consultant  Training Instructor

Possible Work Settings
Adult Literacy Programs  Insurance Companies
Consulting Firms  Nursing Homes
Corporations  Political Parties
Extension Schools  Research Facilities

...in Government

Areas of Interest
Administration  Management  Social Work
Planning  Research & Writing
Evaluation  Teaching

Possible Work Settings
Department of Education  National Archives
Department of Defense  National Science Foundation
Department of Labor  National Endowment of Arts
Educational Resources Information Center  National Endowment for the Humanities
Health & Human Services  Peace Corps
Library of Congress  Social Service agencies

...in Business & Industry

Areas of Interest
Training and development  Sales  Technical writing
Human resources  Customer service  Consulting

Possible Work Settings
Marketing, advertising, public relations firms  Publishers
Bookstores  Test-preparation companies
Software companies

What can I do with this degree?
RESOURCES

Texas State University-Student Organizations
Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI)
Bilingual Education Student Organization (BESO)
College of Education Doctoral Student Organization
Developmental & Adult Education Association
Educational Administrative Student Association
Kappa Delta Pi (Education)
National Art Education Association
Student Organization for TX Alliance for Geographic Education

Professional Organizations
American Association for Higher Education & Accreditation, http://aahea.org/
American Association of Physics Teachers, http://www.aapt.org/
American Association for School Administrators, http://www.aasa.org
American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, http://www.aatsp.org/
American Federation of Teachers, http://www.aft.org/
National Association for the Education of Young Children, http://naeyc.org/
National Association of Biology Teachers, http://www.nabt.org/
National Education Association, http://www.nea.org
Teacher Education Accreditation Council, http://www.teac.org/

Job Search
Teach for America, http://www.teachforamerica.org
Resources for Indispensable Schools and Educators, http://www.risenetwork.org
Teachers @ Work, [http://www.teachersatwork.com/](http://www.teachersatwork.com/)
School Jobs, [http://www.school-jobs.net/jobs/](http://www.school-jobs.net/jobs/)
Want to Teach, [http://www.wanttoteach.com/](http://www.wanttoteach.com/)
K-12 Jobs.com, [http://k-12jobs.com/](http://k-12jobs.com/)
Education America.net, [http://www.educationamerica.net/](http://www.educationamerica.net/)

**Additional Resources**

**Career Library Resources**
Educational Support Careers by Mark Rowh
Career Opportunities in Education by Susan Echaore-McDavid
Careers in Education by Roy A. Edelfelt & Alan J. Reiman
What Can You Do with a Major in Education by J. A. Horowitz & Bruce Walker
101 Career Alternatives for Teachers by Margaret Gisler

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