Graduate Studies at Texas State
Whether you want to grow in your career or simply expand your knowledge, the Graduate College at Texas State University-San Marcos can help. We offer nearly 100 specialized graduate degree programs that provide you with the opportunity to improve your life through advanced study, research and creative expression.

“Texas State has some of the best-known creative writing faculty in the country. The amount of time the faculty members spend working with the students is amazing. My first class here was with Tim O’Brien, and he went above and beyond, helping me with my novel, reading rewrites and even extra chapters, and giving me detailed feedback.”

Saurabh Gupta
Creative Writing Master’s Student
Future Bestselling Author

“The Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic at Texas State far surpassed my expectations, and the faculty has impressed me. The clinical supervisors amaze me with how much they know and their ability to give straightforward insight and advice for case management. By bringing all this talent together, I feel the communication disorders program will prepare me to be an independent and savvy clinician, and it will help me hit the ground running with a broad background of experience and resources.”

Rachel Marks
Communication Disorders Master’s Student
Future Speech-Language Pathologist
The University
Texas State University-San Marcos, founded in 1899, is the largest university in The Texas State University System. With more than 30,000 students and nearly 200 degree programs, our university is also one of the largest in Texas.

At Texas State, we foster a culture of academic excellence and scholarship. Our nationally recognized graduate programs are relevant to our students’ educational and career goals. Our cutting edge curricula give them a competitive edge in their career searches.

Our university’s professors are nationally known for their scholarly research and teaching. Texas State is ranked second in the state for the number of faculty members who have been honored by the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation for their superior teaching.

Admission Requirements
Admission requirements vary by program. For details on the requirements of programs that interest you, visit www.gradcollege.txstate.edu and select Graduate Programs & Applications from the Prospective Students drop-down menu.

Costs and Financial Assistance
At Texas State, we make every effort to keep our tuition rates affordable, and we offer a variety of scholarships, grants, loans and employment opportunities. For more information about scholarships and application deadlines, visit www.gradcollege.txstate.edu and click on Financing Your Graduate Education.

Help with obtaining loans and grants is available through Financial Aid and Scholarships. For information call 512.245.2315 or visit www.finaid.txstate.edu.

The Graduate College at Texas State University-San Marcos is dedicated to providing you with an advanced education for your continued intellectual growth. We challenge your mind to develop your power of independent thought. We expand your professional expertise so you can become a leader in your field. We help you achieve greater effectiveness, both personally and professionally.

“I chose the graduate program in sociology at Texas State because it is one of the only applied research programs in the state. The faculty are the best. They make themselves available to students who really want to take advantage of their knowledge and experience.”

Carlton Mathis
Sociology Master’s Student
Future Professor and Researcher
**Two Convenient Locations**

Many of Texas State's graduate programs are offered at both our main campus in San Marcos and at the Round Rock Higher Education Center. Both are conveniently located near Austin, less than two miles from Interstate (IH) 35. University bus service between Austin and San Marcos and San Antonio and San Marcos is available for a small fee. Buses are equipped with wireless Internet access, so you can work while you ride to class.

**San Marcos**

Texas State University-San Marcos has overlooked downtown San Marcos for more than 100 years. With its tree-lined streets, 19th century homes and historic town square, San Marcos is steeped in history. But its central location — 30 miles south of Austin and 50 miles north of San Antonio — on the booming IH-35 corridor has made it a growing city that offers ever-increasing options for shopping, dining and recreation.

Our hilly campus is home to 225 buildings. Some, like the red-roofed, Victorian-style Old Main, are as old as the university itself. Others are cutting-edge facilities. The Mitte Complex houses a high-tech clean room in its microchip fabrication lab. McCoy Hall, with its corporate atmosphere, provides business students with high-tech classrooms, study rooms and even a stock-trading lab.

Our Alkek Library is home to more than 1.4 million printed volumes as well as the Southwestern Writers Collection and Wittliff Gallery of Southwestern & Mexican Photography. Known as the Wittliff Collections, the exhibits showcase rare artifacts and one of the world’s most significant collections of Mexican contemporary photographic arts.

The second-largest springs in Texas, home to several endangered species, are located on our campus. The location of the springs makes Texas State the site of world-class research related to the geography and biology of freshwater systems.

**Round Rock**

The Round Rock Higher Education Center is located just 20 miles north of Austin in Round Rock. Dating back to the 1850s, Round Rock has deep Texas roots. Today, Round Rock is known more as a bedroom community for those who work in Austin.

In recent years, Round Rock has been named one of the nation’s safest cities, one of the best communities for young people, and one of the best cities for relocating families. Round Rock is also home to the Dell computers headquarters and Nolan Ryan’s AAA baseball club, the Round Rock Express.

Classes at the Round Rock Higher Education Center are held in the Avery Building, completed in 2005. This four-story building houses 40 classrooms, five computer classrooms, two open computer labs and four computer lounges as well as a range of student and academic support services.

To attend classes at the Round Rock Higher Education Center, you must first apply and be accepted to Texas State University, just as you would to enroll at our main campus in San Marcos. See [www.rrhec.txstate.edu](http://www.rrhec.txstate.edu) for details.

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**San Marcos Campus**

**Round Rock Higher Education Center**

We cover the IH-35 corridor
Teacher Recruitment Program: Secondary

Graduate Programs at Texas State

Financial Aid

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Every year, Texas State University-San Marcos helps nearly 17,000 of our students finance their educations. In 2008, we awarded more than $150 million in financial aid, including grants, work-study and student loans. We also gave more than $7.6 million in scholarships to deserving students like you. Regardless of your resources, attending graduate school at Texas State is possible.

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At Texas State, we make every effort to keep our tuition rates affordable, and we offer a variety of scholarships, grants, loans and employment opportunities.

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Texas State University-San Marcos is an equal opportunity educational institution. This information is available in alternate format upon request from the Office of Disability Services.
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Graduate Scholarships
The Graduate College is committed to providing scholarships. Our annual fundraiser, the Celebrity Classic, gives participants the opportunity to rub elbows with television, movie and sports personalities while raising money for graduate scholarships. And funds raised from our tuition increase several years ago went toward our scholarship program.

- Graduate Scholars Program/Celebrity Classic Scholarships ($1,000 to $2,500 per semester)
- Graduate College Scholarships ($1,000 to $2,500 per semester; each of Texas State’s colleges awards multiple scholarships)
- $10,000 to $15,000 for graduate students in speech pathology or physical therapy who receive the Scholarship for Students from Disadvantaged Families

Grants
- Up to $1,800 per year for Texas residents with financial need
- Up to $600 per year for nonresidents with financial need

Loans
- Up to $8,500 in subsidized federal loans per academic year, depending on need
- Up to $12,000 in unsubsidized federal loans per academic year (not to exceed a student’s cost of attendance)

Graduate Assistantships and Work-Study Funds
- Many of Texas State’s departments offer graduate assistantships to help students fund their graduate education. Contact your prospective department for information.
- Federal work-study funds are available to graduate students who show financial need.

Visit www.gradcollege.txstate.edu and click on Financing Your Graduate Education for links to many other organizations that offer graduate students financial assistance, including scholarships, fellowships, internships and grants.

“Receiving scholarships from the Graduate College at Texas State impacted my ability to pursue graduate studies on a very fundamental level. The best part was the fact that I received not one but several scholarships during my tenure at Texas State! I am proud to list these honors on my résumé because it shows how serious Texas State was in helping me achieve my graduate degree.”

Alice Navarro
Family and Child Studies Master’s Student
Future Program Evaluator
Programs offered at the San Marcos campus

**Doctoral Programs**
- Aquatic Resources
- Criminal Justice
- Education – Adult, Professional and Community Education
- Education – School Improvement
- Geography – Environmental Geography
- Geography – Geographic Education
- Geography – Geographic Information Science
- Mathematics Education
- Physical Therapy

**Master’s Programs**

**College of Applied Arts**
- Agricultural Education
- Criminal Justice
- Family and Child Studies*
- Human Nutrition
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Management of Technical Education
- Social Work – Administration/Supervision Practice
- Social Work – Direct Practice

**McCoy College of Business Administration**
- Accounting*
- Accounting and Information Technology
- Business Administration*

**College of Education**
- Athletic Training
- Counseling and Guidance*
- Developmental and Adult Education
- Educational Leadership*
- Educational Technology
- Elementary Education*
- Elementary Education – Bilingual/Bicultural
- Health Education
- Physical Education*
- Professional Counseling*
- Reading Education
- Recreation and Leisure Services – Recreation Management
- Recreation and Leisure Services – Therapeutic Recreation
- School Psychology
- Secondary Education*
- Special Education

**College of Fine Arts and Communication**
- Communication Design
- Communication Studies
- Mass Communication*
- Music*
- Music Education*
- Theatre*

**College of Health Professions**
- Communication Disorders
- Health Services Research
- Healthcare Administration
- Healthcare Human Resources
College of Liberal Arts
Anthropology
Applied Sociology
Creative Writing
Geography
Geography – Geographic Information Science
Geography – Land/Area Development and Management
Geography – Resource and Environmental Studies
Health Psychology
History
International Studies
Legal Studies
Legal Studies – Alternative Dispute Resolution
Legal Studies – Environmental Law
Legal Studies – Legal Administration
Literature
Political Science
Public Administration
Rhetoric and Composition
Sociology
Spanish
Technical Communication

College of Science
Aquatic Resources
Biochemistry
Biology
Chemistry
Computer Science
Industrial Mathematics
Industrial Technology
Materials Physics
Mathematics
Middle School Mathematics Teaching
Physics
Population and Conservation Biology
Software Engineering
Wildlife Ecology
* Offers areas of specialization

For full descriptions of degree programs, visit www.gradcollege.txstate.edu.

Programs offered at the Round Rock Higher Education Center

Master’s Programs
Business Administration
Computer Science
Counseling and Guidance
Educational Leadership
Elementary Education
Interdisciplinary Studies
Management of Technical Education
Professional Counseling
Public Administration
Software Engineering
Technical Communication

Certificate Programs
Certification and Master’s in Education
Certified Public Manager (continuing education credit)
Computer Science
Healthcare Administration
Mediation
Professional Ethics
Public Administration
Teacher Recruitment Program

For more information on graduate programs at the RRHEC, visit www.rrhec.txstate.edu.
Texas State University-San Marcos was founded as a teachers college in 1899, and more than a century later, it continues the tradition of producing only the highest-quality educators.

The graduate Teacher Recruitment Program (TRP) in secondary education is designed to provide an accelerated pathway for well-qualified, post-baccalaureate students to earn an initial teaching certificate prior to the granting of the master’s degree. TRP students have the option to complete the last 18 hours of the 36-hour master’s program while earning an income from full-time teaching; or students may postpone full-time teaching until the master’s degree is complete, if they wish to do so.

Since 2001, TRP students have entered teaching from all walks of life (attorneys, engineers, nurses, scientists, newspaper reporters, social workers, high-tech workers and more). They are now making substantial contributions to their school communities and to the children of Texas.
Course Work
The 36-hour master of education (MEd) is structured so that the initial two long semesters of TRP offer a full-certification program including 18 hours of graduate course work and 14 weeks of student teaching. The course work may begin in either the fall or spring semesters. The first-semester classes are delivered at the Round Rock Higher Education Center and on-site in area public schools.

The initial 18 hours of TRP provide a means for students to complete course work and fieldwork for initial teacher certification integrating theory and practice in the real-world context of public schools. A substantial portion of time during the initial 18 hours of course work is devoted to work in local area public schools and requires that TRP students attend three integrated daytime classes taught on public school campuses. The remaining 18 hours are designed to engage students in continued intellectual growth through advanced-level evening and summer course work to help students improve their practice, grow professionally and develop campus leadership skills.

Due to its accelerated nature, a substantial portion of TRP requires a daytime commitment in public schools. Following completion of the initial 18-hour teacher certification portion of TRP, students are eligible to apply for state teacher certification; once certified, they may become employed as teachers while they complete their master’s degrees.

Admission Policy
Applicants must meet the Texas State Graduate College’s minimum GPA requirement of 2.75 for the last 60 hours of course work leading to the bachelor’s degree. No GRE score is required. Applicants must also undergo a screening interview, written reflection and online survey. Program admission is competitive with no guarantees of admission.

Each applicant must submit the following to the Graduate College at Texas State:
• an official Texas State Graduate College application form
• one official transcript from each college or university attended, including community colleges
• $40 application fee for a master’s degree or $10 application fee for teacher certification only

Applicants also must submit an online application to the Teacher Recruitment Program, including:
• colleges/universities you’ve attended (names and dates)
• names, e-mail addresses and phone numbers for three professional references (no family members, please)
• brief essay, no more than one page, describing your reasons for desiring a career in teaching (electronic document)
• current résumé (electronic document)

Visit www.gradcollege.txstate.edu for access to an online application and additional details. Applications are due March 1 for the fall semester and October 1 for the spring semester.

For access to the Teacher Recruitment Program online application and program details, visit www.education.txstate.edu/ci/degrees-programs/graduate/Teacher-Recruitment-Program/application.html.

Financial Assistance
For more information about scholarships, financial aid and application deadlines, visit the Graduate College Web site at www.gradcollege.txstate.edu and click on Financing your Graduate Education.

Contact
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Teacher Recruitment Program Secondary Graduate Advisor
Round Rock Higher Education Center
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“The course work is challenging, and I was able to work at my own pace and at my maximum level of competence. I worked the hardest I have ever worked and I am grateful for the opportunity to do so. The faculty is professional, caring and easy to work with, and they made me feel welcome and wanted in the field of education. In addition to my classroom work, I interned at a high school — a great opportunity to see what it’s really like to be a teacher. The teacher recruitment program has prepared me to get my teaching certificate and get a job as a history teacher.”

—Victor Fitzjarrald, Teacher Recruitment Program graduate