



**University of Houston-Downtown
College of Public Service
Department of Urban Education**

Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) with EC-6 Core Subjects and ESL Supplemental Certification

The Master of Teaching (MAT) degree with EC-6 Core Subjects and ESL Supplemental Certification prepares and certifies students for self-contained and subject specific teaching positions in Texas elementary schools. The program also trains and certifies graduates to teach English as a Second Language (ESL) students in both mainstream and ESL self-contained elementary classrooms. Furthermore, the program prepares graduates to assume educational leadership and teacher training roles in a variety of educational settings.

Note: The courses in this degree plan are taught using a hybrid of face-to-face and online instruction. Program participants must complete a semester of student teaching and pass the TExES PPR, Core Subjects EC-6, and ESL Supplemental Tests to earn Texas Educator Certification.

Instructional Methods Courses (12 credit-hours)

MAT 6310 Reading in a Multicultural Classroom (fall)

MAT 5311 Mathematics Methods EC-6 (spring)

MAT 5303 Science Methods (spring)

MAT 5319 Social Studies Methods (spring)

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Courses (6 credit-hours)

ESL 5334 Foundations of ESL Education, Cultural Awareness, and Family/Community Involvement (spring)

ESL 5333 ESL Instruction/Assessment and the Acquisition of Language Concepts (summer)

Technology Course (3 credit-hours)

ETC 5301 Technology Application for Curriculum Development & Instruction (summer)

Child Development Course (3 credit-hours)

MAT 6311 Advanced Study of Child Development and Diversity (summer)

Capstone Course (3 credit-hours)

MAT 6390 or ESL 6390 Directed Study in Urban Education (Prerequisites: 12 credit-hours of methods courses) (fall, spring, and summer)

Educational Research Course (3 credit-hours)

MAT 6317 Classroom-Based Research (Prerequisites: 12 credit-hours of methods courses, Corequisite: MAT 6601) (spring)

Student Teaching (6 credit-hours)

MAT 6601 MAT with Certification Student Teaching (6 credit-hours) (Corequisite: MAT 6317) (spring)

How to Apply and Admission Requirements

- Apply for the UHD MAT program: www.applytexas.org (Clearly state you are applying for the MAT with EC-6 Core Subjects and ESL Supplemental Certification on your application and in your personal statement)
- Submit official transcripts that depict an earned baccalaureate degree from an accredited university with a minimum GPA of 2.5
- Submit GRE scores: Quantitative, Verbal, and Analytical Writing (Note: No GRE scores are required if your undergraduate GPA or last 60-hours GPA is 3.0 or higher)
- Submit three professional recommendation forms using the MAT Recommendation Form: https://www.uhd.edu/academics/public-service/urban-education/Documents/MAT_Recommendation_Form_apr10.pdf
- Submit a written personal statement of 250 words explaining why you want to pursue an MAT with EC-6 Core Subjects and ESL Supplemental Certification
- Submit TOEFL scores (if baccalaureate degree coursework was in a language other than English)
- Submit all materials via www.applytexas.org or to Mr. Rubenjack Long in UHD Graduate Admissions (Office: N-353, longr@uhd.edu, 713-223-7935)
- Application Due: August 15th for Fall, January 19th for Spring, and May 31st for Summer
- For admission assistance or to check if your application is complete, please contact Mr. Rubenjack Long at UHD Graduate Admissions (contact information above).

The MAT degree program requires completion of a minimum of 36 semester credit-hours. For degree completion, at least 30 hours must be completed at UH-Downtown with a grade point average of 3.0. In addition, students must successfully complete a directed studies project (MAT 6390 or ESL 6390) with approval of the MAT in EC-6 Core Subjects mentor and under the supervision of an appointed faculty advisor.

Total MAT in TESOL Program Tuition/Fees (36 credit-hours)

\$12,600 (Based on fall, 2015 tuition/fees, taking two classes per semester)

Note: Tuition prices can change, and taking fewer than two classes per semester will raise the total program price of tuition/fees. This program cost estimate does not include books, materials, and living expenses.

Scholarship Assistance

All UHD MAT students are encouraged to apply for the Gordon and Mary Cain Graduate Academic Merit Scholarship. This scholarship will pay for half the price of UHD MAT tuition/fees. Students can earn this scholarship more than once during the course of their MAT program. Application: https://www.uhd.edu/academics/public-service/urban-education/Documents/scholarship-graduate-gordon_mary_cain.pdf

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UHD MAT Website: www.uhd.edu/mat