

**Bachelor of Arts in** 

## **EDUCATION**



## **Earning Potential**

The average starting salary for teachers in Greater Houston is about **\$61,000** for a nine-month contract (retirement and medical benefits included). Graduates with Bilingual, ESL, STEM-related, or SPED certification may receive additional stipends. In-service teachers are eligible for loan forgiveness if they teach five or more years in a Title I school.

## **Delivery Options**

- Downtown
- Kingwood
- Northwest

#### Contact

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The BA in Education prepares candidates to earn a degree and teacher certification in EC-6 ESL, EC-6 Bilingual, 4-8 ESL, or Special Education. High school certification in Math, History, Science or Social Studies is offered as well. Candidates engage in field-based coursework and complete a yearlong student teaching experience in preparation for a successful career in education. Our diverse communities require highly qualified teachers who represent our student population to provide dynamic, equitable educational experiences for all school children.

- Program is offered at three campuses with day and evening options, providing flexibility to navigate degree completion, family, and work responsibilities.
- Graduates from UHD's Department of Urban Education have an 88% five-year retention rate—higher than the state and national average.
- Alternate field experience/student teaching options are available for paraprofessionals who qualify.

#### **About the Program**

UHD's proficiency-driven, field-based educator preparation program focuses on providing candidates with diverse experience in city and suburban Title I schools. Through engaging, hands-on, in-class interactions and field-based experiences, teacher candidates finish our program prepared to enter today's EC-12 classrooms and appropriately meet students' needs.

- Award-winning: TEA Commendation for Preparing Educators Texas Needs in Bilingual/ESL Education (2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021)
- Extensive, varied field experiences: partnerships with 15+ school districts in the Houston area to support our candidates' professional development
- Transfer with ease: formal transfer agreements to facilitate a smooth transfer of coursework from community college to UHD

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## **Affiliated Student Organizations**

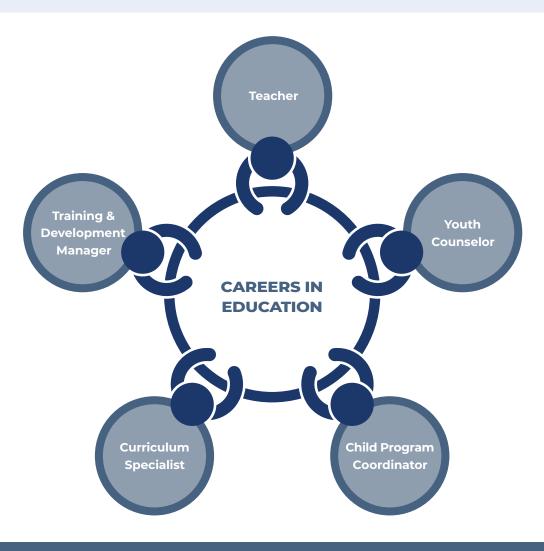
**Call Me MISTER (Mentors Instructing Students Toward Effective Role Models)** provides guidance, academic support, and social/cultural and financial opportunities for male students of color. The mission of the program is to diversity the pool of educators in the teaching field.

**Be A Teacher Club (BATC)**, with distinct chapters at each campus location, provides opportunities to engage with statewide teacher organizations and participate in a variety of community service/activities with local schools.

Urban Educators' Literacy Society (UELS) provides experiences for pre-service teachers to acquire professional knowledge, serve the community, and develop professional contacts.

**Bilingual Education Student Organization (BESO)** supports the development of bilingual and ESL educators through collegiality and community engagement.

**Kappa Delta Pi, Omega Phi Chapter (KDP)** recognizes excellence and fosters cooperation, support, and professional growth for educational professionals through participation in this international honor society in education.



### **Next Steps**

Applicants must complete and submit all of the following items:

- Apply for admissions online via Apply Texas: goapplytexas.org
- Submit your \$35 application fee
- Apply for financial aid fafsa.ed.gov
- Fulfill testing requirements uhd.edu/testing
- Get advised and register
  uhd.edu/academics/advising
- Pay for classes uhd.edu/cashiers
- Prepare for class



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