CLINICAL TEACHING OPTION
Become a Certified Teacher in One Semester

Follow these 4 Simple Steps

1. Submit Clinical Teaching Application
2. Program Obtains Placement
3. Complete Curriculum & Classes
4. Begin Clinical Teaching Assignment

Speak with the Clinical Teaching Coordinator:
Please contact Charla Howerin at 832-220-3451 or chowerin@etools4education.com if you need more information or have questions about completing a clinical teaching assignment.

Benefits of Clinical Teaching:

- Gain valuable teaching experience in the classroom – hands on training with an experienced teacher
- Network with teachers and school administration – this will help locate employment after your successful assignment
- Become a certified teacher in the state of Texas in one semester
- Increase your likelihood of being hired for a teaching position – you will possess a standard teaching certificate in Texas

#1 Way to be Hired for a Full-Time Teaching Position

etoools4Education
Web-Centric Alternative Certification Program
STEP 1 Submit Clinical Teaching Application

You can submit a fall clinical teaching application once you begin the online program. A WCACP program representative will help guide you through the clinical teaching set-up process.

Program discounts are available if you take advantage of fall clinical teaching.

STEP 2 Program Obtains Placement

The program will attempt to place you in a district or school of your choice. Your clinical teaching assignment placement will be coordinated by WCACP through campus and district administrators.

To ensure optimal placement in your desired Independent School District, TEA recognized private school, or charter school, you will need to make sure you submit your clinical teaching application as early as possible.

In order for WCACP to begin the placement process, you must pass your content exam, apply for fingerprinting, submit a minimum of 15 observation hours, and complete Module 1 – Section 1.

OPT Out Period

We are very flexible in allowing you to cancel your clinical teaching assignment if you are offered a full-time teaching position. Up until 7 days before your assignment begins, you will be able to accept a full-time teaching position for your internship and still have the flexibility to cancel your clinical teaching assignment.

Payment Options

Three payment options are available for your clinical teaching assignment. Third party payments by friends and family members are accepted.

Option 1: Payment in Full – receive a 10% discount

Option 2: Equal Installments – four equal payments during clinical teaching assignment

Option 3: Combo Option - $750 down payment and then monthly payments spread over 8 months

At the conclusion of your non-paid clinical teaching assignment, you can be recommended for your standard teaching certificate. Once recommended by the program, you will be considered a certified teacher in Texas.

Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself. -John Dewey
The clinical teaching assignment is a period of exploration and continuous self evaluation to help you become a successful classroom teacher for the 21st century. A solid foundation of theory, turned into meaningful hands on experience will ensure you are ready to command your own classroom.

You must complete Module 1 & 2 and the two class series prior to starting your clinical teaching assignment. The remaining curriculum and projects can be completed during your clinical teaching assignment.

**MODULE I**
*Instructional Strategies*
This module covers learner-centered concepts, differentiated instruction, lesson plan creation, and special education/ESL basics.

**MODULE II**
*Classroom Management*
This module covers the basics to effectively manage your classroom – topics covered include setting rules, how to provide effective feedback, and behavior consequences.

**MODULE III**
*Instructional Technology*
This module covers concepts related to integrating technology into the classroom. The Turn of the Century project allows for an opportunity to experience project-based learning.

**MODULE IV**
*Intern Best Practices*
This module covers TxBESS mentoring activities that will be completed with your cooperating teacher during your clinical teaching assignment.

**Class Sessions**
Class sessions are offered during the day, in the evenings, and during the weekends. These classes are completed online, without the need for a web camera.

**Reading Safari Class Series**
(5) One Hour Classes

**Pre-Service Class Series**
(4) One Hour Classes
STEP 4  Begin Clinical Teaching Assignment

Observing
The first week of the clinical teaching assignment will be spent observing the classroom environment, instructional techniques, interpersonal communications, and relationships between the cooperating teacher and the students in the classroom.

Assisting
During the 2nd and 3rd week of the clinical teaching assignment, the clinical teacher should be focused on interacting with students. Some of these interactions may include grading papers, distributing handouts, or checking attendance.

Weeks 4-9 (Teaming & Teaching)

Teaming
The cooperating teacher will begin sharing responsibility for planning and teaching a selected lesson during class sessions.

Teaching
During this phase the clinical teacher will assume responsibility for preparing lesson plans for the classroom.

Full Responsibility
A gradual building of teaching responsibility will lead to the clinical teacher instructing 100% of the lessons by week 10. During weeks 10-14, the clinical teacher will assume full responsibility of planning and teaching the students in the classroom.