

Why Earn Your Credential?

This is a personal choice, and earning the Credential is not something to be taken lightly. Whether you are new to adult education or an experienced AE teacher, the Credential can help you to take your teaching to the next level. You've learned a lot in your years as a teacher, but now you're looking for a new way to take your pedagogical skills in a new direction. Through critical reflection on your teaching, the Credential can help you build on what you've learned as an educator or professional, and reawaken your passion for teaching.

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THE TEXAS ADULT EDUCATION TEACHER CREDENTIAL



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What Teachers Say

"This was my personal commitment to the profession."

"Encouraged me to be more purposeful in teaching."

"Gave me a greater sense of professionalism with qualifications."

"Earning the Credential improved my knowledge and application of facilitating an adult classroom."

"The Credential recognized my knowledge, skills, and abilities. It serves as an unbiased endorsement of my knowledge and professional experience."

"In earning my Credential I gained increased recognition from my employer for taking the extra step in professional development."

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The Teacher

The Texas Adult Education Teacher Credential is an optional credential that is available to those who teach adult students in Texas adult education programs. The Credential is a rigorous, peer reviewed process that provides for a transformative experience for the adult education teacher with proven results in student success. The Credential allows adult education teachers to develop a personalized model for professional learning and has proven highly effective in developing teaching practice.

Eligibility

Individuals who are assigned in the **Texas Educating Adults Management System (TEAMS)** as a teacher of record are eligible to pursue the Teacher Credential regardless of their level of experience.

Getting Started

Prior to enrolling in the **Professional Development Planning Workshop (PDPW)**, teachers should go to the Credential Project home page and click on “Teacher Registration” and complete the steps for registering for the PDPW workshop and the Credential.

<http://www.tei.education.txstate.edu/credential/>

Earning the Credential

1. **Select & attend** professional development of your choosing.
2. **Try out** what you learned in your classrooms with students.
3. Critically **reflect** on the outcomes after trying it in your classroom.
4. **Write** about the experience, and examine outcomes.

These written reflections are then submitted into the **Credential Information Tracking System (CredITS)** and are scored by specially trained individuals.

The Teacher Credential & its professional development focus on

SIX CORE CONTENT AREAS

1. Principles of Adult Learning
2. The Teaching/Learning Transaction
3. Diverse Learning Styles, Abilities & Cultures
4. Integrating Technology into Adult Learning
5. Accountability & Assessment
6. Contextual Learning

Getting Started

- Step 1.** Submit a Letter of Intent.
<http://www.tei.education.txstate.edu/credential/TchrRegistration/LetterofIntent.html>
- Step 2.** Submit a letter of Support from your Program Administrator.
- Step 3.** Complete and submit an application to gain access to TEAL/CredITS.
<https://pryor.tea.state.tx.us/TSP/TEASecurePortal/Access/LogonServlet>
- Step 4.** Complete the Professional Development Self-Assessment.
<http://www.tei.education.txstate.edu/credential/TchrRegistration/PDAssessment.html>
- Step 5.** Email to your Program Administrator to approve your CredITS access request.
- Step 6.** Complete the Professional Development Planning Workshop (PDPW).
(online or face to face)

Learn more about the Teacher Credential!

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Click on “Teacher Registration”

View the **online multimedia overview of the Teacher Credential**