

Spring 2024 TLAC Clinical Teaching

Information regarding: Advising, Certification and Applications

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AGENDA

- **Advising**
- **Certification**
- **Clinical Teaching Application**
- **Q&A**



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Clinical Teaching Clearing

You will not receive your clinical teaching placement until you have met this requirement.

EC-6, 4-8 Math/Science, 4-8 ELA/SS

- You must complete your mandatory TLAC advising appointment during the window for Seniors (September 8-26).
- Schedule an appointment on **NAVIGATE**
- Appointment days:
 - Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm
 - Virtual appointments via email, Zoom, or by phone

aggieTEACH Math & Science

- Required to be cleared through your program coordinators, contact Laura Wilding, ljwilding@tamu.edu or Kenric Davies, kenric.davies@tamu.edu.

aggieTEACH SEED Minors

- Required to be cleared through your program coordinator, contact Joanna Hundl, joannahunl@tamu.edu

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Coursework

- All course work must be completed prior to clinical teaching.
- No undergraduate classes may be taken during clinical teaching – no exceptions to this rule.

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Registration

- TEFB 426 (EC-6)
 - Local = Section 500
 - Distant = Section 550
- MEFB 497 (Middle Grades)
 - Local = Section 500
 - Distant = Section 550
- MEFB 497 or TEFB 429 (aggieTEACH & SEED Minor)
 - Local = Section 500
 - Distant = Section 550
- TEED 425 (12 hours)

If the "Exceptions for Verification of Enrollment" does not meet your requirements, and you need to be enrolled in 12 hours.

 - Local = Section 500
 - Distant = Section 550

ADVISING

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APPLICATION

Placement Options

LOCAL

- TAMU provides university supervisor and placement
- Starting Fall 2012, TLAC places local clinical teachers in outlying districts within 35 miles of the TAMU campus first. *This guarantees clinical teachers will have a sustained experience working with diverse groups of students, which will in turn increase their marketability.*
- A minimum of 3 students will be placed in each outlying district, to increase opportunities for carpooling.

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Placement Options

DISTANT

- Districts around the state of Texas with established TAMU agreement and MOU
- Districts are listed on application and are subject to change at any time
- Districts decide placement based on CT application and the needs of district
- University supervisor hired and trained by TAMU

APPLICATION

Placement Options

NEW DISTANT DISTRICT PARTNERSHIPS

- Placements at new districts *not* currently on the list will only be considered if the district is more than 35 miles away from any current partnering district
- You will receive details about the possibility and procedure of requesting a new district when the application instructions are emailed.
- List of current district partnerships:
<https://mycehd.tamu.edu/tlac-clinical-teaching-partnering-school-districts/>

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Placement Options

Your clinical teaching placement may default to LOCAL if you:

- Do not submit requested information by due dates. (application, criminal history, etc.)
- Have been placed on a growth plan. (written concerns from TAMU instructor)

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Placements are impacted by:

- ▶ Certification
- ▶ Supervisor Availability
 - *Please note, ALL University Supervisors must be T-TESS trained.*
 - *Our office will contact current/trained supervisors to cover various requested districts.*
 - *If a district does not have a trained supervisor, you may be placed at your second/third option to clinical teach.*
- ▶ Mentor teacher availability
- ▶ District decisions
- ▶ Previous field experience
- ▶ Submission of required forms
- ▶ Meeting deadlines – advising, application, FEO and/or school district paperwork
- ▶ Passing your primary content certification exam and STR (if applicable) by **October 15th**.
- ▶ Special considerations on application

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Clinical Teaching Application Notes/Instructions

- ▶ Email: must be **tamu.edu** account
- ▶ Certification Area:
 - Select the appropriate certification area(s).
Note: Actual certification is dependent upon the successful completion of required course work, clinical teaching program and state certification exams. This information is for planning purposes only.
 - If "Secondary Education", please specify your program and certification.
 - *aggieTEACH, Graduate Certification, SEED Minor*
 - *Math, ELA, Science Comp, History, etc.*
- ▶ Rank:
 - top distant district / all local districts (1-10)
 - top 2 grade & content preferences
- ▶ Zip code for CT semester:
 - based on district preference – may help districts place CT at schools in close proximity but there are no guarantees

APPLICATION

Clinical Teaching Application Notes/Instructions

- ▶ **PREFERENCES:** (i.e. grade and content) should be varied from early field experiences
- ▶ **SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:** other information to consider in placement
- ▶ **FOUR QUESTIONS:** Please write at least a paragraph to thoroughly and thoughtfully answer the questions. *Be sure to edit and proofread before submitting. This information is shared with your school district.*
- ▶ If your application is incorrect/not complete, it will not be included in the download and therefore will be considered late.
- ▶ The most current application submitted will be used for your clinical teaching placement consideration.

APPLICATION

Clinical Teaching Application FAQs

- ▶ May I request a specific school/teacher?
 - You may include request in the special considerations section, but there is no guarantee that it will be granted.
 - Clinical teachers may not be placed on a campus with an immediate relative.
 - Clinical teachers may not be placed in a district where an immediate relative is a district-level administrator with direct supervision of principals and/or teachers.

- ▶ Can I have another job while clinical teaching?
 - Clinical teaching is considered a full-time job so employment is discouraged. If necessary, working must be limited to no more than 10-12 hours per week, preferably on weekends and may not interfere with clinical teaching responsibilities.

CLINICAL TEACHING

Clinical Teaching FAQs

- ▶ When is the first day of clinical teaching?
 - Clinical teachers begin the first official district school day (with students) after the break and complete 70 field days. Clinical teachers follow the school district calendar, not TAMU.
 - *Public school students mat start as early as January 2, 2024.*

- ▶ What is the clinical teaching attendance policy?
 - With clinical teaching graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory, the following guidelines apply:
 - 1 excused absence = 1 make up day (70 total days)
 - 1 unexcused absence = 2 make up days (71 total days)
 - 2 unexcused absences = 4 make up days (72 total days)
 - 3 unexcused absences = **Unsatisfactory grade** (student will be required to re-enroll in Clinical Teaching the following semester)

CLINICAL TEACHING

Important Dates

- ⓘ Deadline to PASS primary content certification exam and STR (if EC-6 or 4-8 ELAR/SS certification): **October 15th**
- ⓘ Second Mandatory Clinical Teaching Meeting:
Friday, December 6th – 10:00-11:30am via ZOOM
- ⓘ The link to the Clinical Teaching Application will be emailed to you next week. The application will be due on **Friday, September 29th**.

CLINICAL TEACHING

You will not be cleared to clinical teach or receive your official placement until you:

- Attend both mandatory FEO meetings
- Attend mandatory TLAC advising or meet with program coordinators
- Pass primary content certification exam and STR (if EC-6 or 4-8 ELAR/SS certification) by **October 15th**
- Submit application
- Submit requested information from FEO and/or school district

CLINICAL TEACHING

Important websites:

- ▶ Clinical Teaching Website: <https://mycehd.tamu.edu/tlac-clinical-teaching>
- ▶ Certification Information: <http://certification.tamu.edu>
- ▶ The link to the Clinical Teaching Application will be emailed to you next week.

CAREER FAIR HOST APPLICATION

Fall 2023 Education Career Fair – Monday, November 6th

Paid opportunity and great networking potential!

- \$300 stipend
- Assist with pre *or* post event tasks
- Assist districts/recruiters during the event
- All C3 students are required to attend



REQUIREMENTS:

- Must submit application by Friday, September 29
- Must have already passed content exam and STR (if applicable)
- Attend all scheduled events
- Complete C3 placement without incident

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Meeting Attendance

Use the QR code or link to complete the survey
and record your attendance at this meeting!

(You will not receive the link to the application until you have completed the survey)



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Q&A

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