



A Career in Teaching

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Guidelines for Field Experience

Candidates enrolled in an *alternative certification program* after January 1, 2009 are required to comply with [Texas Administrative Code Title 19 Rule 228.35](#) stating that *each candidate must complete a minimum of 300 clock-hours of coursework and/or training that includes 30 clock-hours of field-based experience to be completed prior to internship.*

Candidate Requirements:

- ◆ Complete **30** hours of field experience *prior* to beginning a teaching position.
 - 15-hours - Interactive teacher observations in a classroom setting. Participate as an active learner. Provide written reflection of experiences on the observation form and log provided. No more than 5 hours in one classroom setting for an observation. Observations can range anywhere from 45 minutes to 5 hours in a classroom setting.
Note: all observations must be documented with a start time, finish time, and a total time.
 - 15-hours - online teacher video observation hours completed using ACIT's online teacher videos on module 500b on www.pactreview.com. There are approximately 24 teacher videos that total 15 hours.
NOTE: all observations must be documented with a start time, finish time, and a total time.
- ◆ Field experience must be *relevant* to your certification area.
 - Example, *4-8 Core* candidates will complete hours observing grades 4, 5, 6, 7 and/or 8.
 - Additional appropriate activities that *may* be deemed as acceptable include: individual or small group tutoring, department meetings, extracurricular academic or athletic events, or district initiated workshops. *You may contact A.C.I.T. to determine the validity of an activity or event.*
- ◆ Provide completed Observation Form(s)/Reports associated with your field experience hours.
 - You must provide **one** form per class hour/subject.
 - You may provide a *detailed summary* of an all-day experience within a single classroom setting to include answers from the Observation Form.
 - You must document the date, hours, location, activity and the SIGNATURE of the campus administrator or teacher.
 - ALL forms/reports must be turned into *A Career in Teaching-EPP* prior to beginning a teaching position.
 - Any incomplete documentation or observation forms will not be accepted.

Program standards will change to meet any new or updated requirements as set forth by the SBEC and/or T E A.

I have read and understand the field experience requirements.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____