

University of Houston Clear Lake

School of Education • Frequently Asked Questions For Future Students

What are the minimum requirements for an undergraduate to attend UHCL?

- Earned associate of arts, associate of art in teaching, or associate of science **OR** Have a minimum of 54 semester hours of college credit (not including developmental hours), a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0, completion of Composition I and II with a grade of “C-“ or better and College Algebra or higher mathematics course.
- Have completed the THEA/TASP examination or must have shown college readiness according to the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) and University of Houston-Clear Lake.
- Be eligible to return to the last institution attended.

Can I go back and take core and lower-level coursework I am lacking for my degree at the community college?

- Yes, core curriculum and lower-level coursework can be taken at the community college after enrolling in courses at UHCL. Students must complete an “Off-Campus Course Permission Form” prior to enrolling in courses at another institution. Forms are located in the literature racks outside Bayou 1231 and online.
- No courses can be taken off campus in the student’s last semester.

What undergraduate programs are offered?

- School of Education (SoE)
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – EC-6 Generalist (Early Childhood)
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – EC-6 Generalist (Reading Concentration)
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – EC-6 Bilingual Generalist
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – EC-6 ESL Generalist
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – EC-6 Generalist with EC-12 Special Education
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – 4-8 Generalist
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – 4-8 ESL Generalist
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – 4-8 Social Studies
 - B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies – 4-8 Science
- School of Human Science and Humanities (HSH)
 - B.A. Literature – 4-8 English Language Arts & Reading
 - B.A. Literature – 8-12 English Language Arts & Reading
 - B.A. History – 8-12 Social Studies
 - B.A. History – 8-12 History
 - B.S. Geography – 8-12 Social Studies
 - B.F.A. Applied Design & Visual Arts – EC-12 Art
- School of Science and Computer Engineering (SCE)
 - B.A. Mathematical Science – 4-8 Mathematics
 - B.A. Mathematical Science – 8-12 Mathematics
 - B.S. Mathematical Sciences – 8-12 Mathematics
 - B.A. Biological Sciences – 8-12 Life Science
 - B.S. Physical Sciences – 8-12 Physical Science

When and where do I receive my degree plan/candidate plan of study (CPS)?

- Students generally receive their degree plan during the first semester of coursework. After the UHCL Office of Admissions evaluates student transcripts, they are sent to SoE, which assigns each undergraduate a professional advisor. Your assigned advisor will draft your degree plan and notify you when it is ready for your signature. This is an automatic process.
- Students receiving degrees from HSH or SCE (see previous list) will need to verify the process with their respective school's advising office.
- Students can view their official degree audit by clicking on Degree Progress Report through *E-Services*.

How do I register for courses at UHCL?

- Upon acceptance to UHCL, you will be sent a log-in ID and password to access the UHCL registration system, *E-Services*. Students can register themselves for courses via the Internet.
- For assistance with *E-Services*, contact the Student Assistance Center (SAC) at 281-283-2SAC.

What courses can I take my first semester?

- Make an appointment with an advisor for best guidance.

What is Pedagogy coursework?

- Pedagogy courses are teacher methodology classes that require field experience during the typical public school hours. Admission to the Teacher Education Program (TEP) is required before enrolling in pedagogy courses.
- Pedagogy and all other courses requiring field experience (see *UHCL Catalog* course descriptions) must be completed prior to Internship II. No more than 2 such courses can be taken with Internship I. ***See your advisor for help with planning semesters appropriately.***

What is Pre-service Internship?

- Pre-service Internship is a one-year experience at the end of our educational program where students are placed in professional development schools with veteran educators for maximum experiential learning. Pre-service is non-paid. Students must apply the long semester prior to each expected Internship semester. Application deadlines are

March 1 – for fall Internship

October 1 – for spring Internship

Applications are available at the Internship Informational Meetings typically scheduled at the start of each long semester. See the Advising bulletin board (near Bayou 1231) for dates, times, and locations.

How can I contact UHCL School of Education (SoE) advisors?

- 281-283-3600
- Bayou Building, Suite 1231
- education@uhcl.edu
- www.uhcl.edu/soe -
- Walk-in Advising – Monday – Thursday, 9 A.M.-5:15 P.M. and Friday, 9-11:30 A.M.
- Advising Appointment – Call or e-mail in advance for more detailed sessions
- UHCL Open House – Held each fall and spring semester
- Look us up on Facebook: UHCL - School of Education