

Frequently Asked Questions...

What is the cost?

Tuition and course fees associated with ATEP, ML- ATEP or SE A-TEP program will be covered up to \$4,000. Any additional expenses shall be paid by the participant.

If I have a degree in a mathematics or science area from an accredited foreign institution or higher education, can I apply?

Yes, if you are a U.S. resident. You must have your transcript and degree validated by the Foreign Credentials Services of America, Austin, Texas, (512) 459-8428, or any other recognized similar agency in the United States.

<http://www.fcsa.biz/>

You must also show English language proficiency through an acceptable score on the TOEFL examination. <http://www.ets.org/toefl/>

Commitment to the Program

It is a requirement that all ATEP, ML A-TEP, or SE A-TEP participants make a commitment to teach in a "high need district" for three years. Should an A-TEP participant withdraw from the program, fail to meet the program's requirements or fail to meet the three-year teaching requirement, they must reimburse the amount funded to A-TEP.

How can I apply?

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College of Education and Human Development

ATE
Academy for Teacher Excellence

A-TEP
Accelerated Teacher Education Program

Do you have a degree in mathematics, science or human related profession?
If you answered yes, then ATEP, ML A-TEP or SE A-TEP is for You!



<http://ate.utsa.edu>

What is ATEP?

- Accelerated Teacher Education Program (A-TEP) is a Transition to Teaching program funded by the U.S. Department of Education.
- A-TEP is designed to prepare and certify middle level (ML 4-8th) and ATEP (8-12) mathematics and science, and special education (SE EC-12) teachers.
- A-TEP recruits recent graduates or second career professionals with degrees in mathematics, science and human services-related fields to work in San Antonio area public schools, as teachers.

Benefits of becoming a Teacher

- Honorable, rewarding profession.
- Become a role model and inspire students.
- Build morale in others.

Admission Requirements

- 24 hours in the content area seeking certification (12 hours in upper level coursework) for Math or Science.
- Human Services related degree for Special Education.
- Apply for graduate admission to the College of Education and Human Development:
<http://www.utsa.edu/graduate/>
- Apply to the Accelerated Teacher Preparation Program.

ATEP will help an individual become a highly effective teacher by providing the following:

- A-TEP will facilitate your teacher preparation and certification processes through graduate coursework and A-TEP seminars offered at UTSA.
- A-TEP communicates with its partner school districts in the San Antonio area while participants are seeking a teacher of record placement and preparing for certification in Texas.
<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/sboe/>
- A-TEP participants who complete the program will qualify to apply for a secondary teaching certificate issued by the Texas State Board of Educators Certification office.
- A-TEP participants can have their university certification work apply towards a master's degree, (subject to appropriate approvals).



ATEP provides support for the first three years in the teaching profession.

This support includes:

- Mentoring activities
- Classroom demonstration by master teachers
- Field trips to observe model classrooms
- Team teaching with a master teacher
- Test preparation
- Professional development sessions
- Counseling sessions

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