

This is only a Scholarship Application for the Non-Traditional Deaf Education Certification Program thru Region 17 ESC

This application does not assure entry into Texas Tech University

★ Applications accepted January 7 - March 19, 2019★

Social Security # _____

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
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Mailing Address _____

Permanent Home Address _____

Email _____ Cell phone No. _____

Valid Texas Teacher Certificate: Yes No

Three or more years teaching experience: Yes No Years Taught _____

University or Colleges Attended: _____

Types of Teaching Certificate: _____

Closest Education Service Center _____ School District _____

Grade levels taught: _____

Sign Language Skills: None Beginning Intermediate Advanced

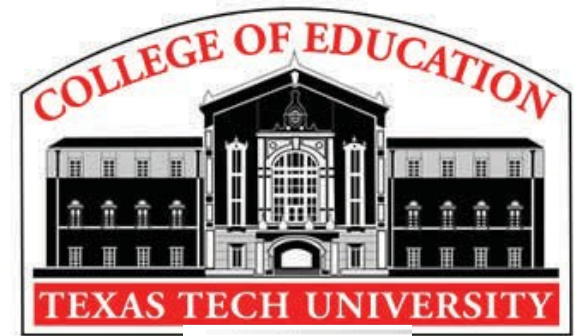
To Apply to ESC 17

Submit the following to: **Region 17 ESC – Deaf Education Certification Program**
1111 West Loop 289 • Lubbock, TX 79416:

- Completed application form (this brochure)
- \$50.00 application fee made out to: **Region 17 ESC**
- Application Essay - 1 page maximum *Why I Would Be A Good Candidate For This Program*
- One letter of recommendation from school administrator
- One letter of recommendation from teaching colleague
- Copy of teaching certificate



Non-Traditional Deaf Education Certification Program for Teachers



Program Description

Nontraditional Deaf Education
Certification Program
A Collaborative Project Between Region
17 Education Service Center and Texas
Tech University
With Funding Support from the Texas Education Agency

The purpose of this Program is to provide quality nontraditional training to selected individuals throughout the state of Texas that will lead to an increase in the number of highly qualified and certified teachers serving students who are deaf or hard of hearing in the state of Texas.

The Program is one year in length (June – May). The focus of the course work, training and experiences within the curricula provide a non-traditional approach in teacher training and prepares participants to meet competency standards for certification through the Texas Examination of Educator Standards (TEXES 181) for Deaf/Hard of Hearing. Participants will earn 27 hours of graduate credit through Texas Tech University College of Education.

The majority of the curriculum and training will be provided through an electronic means via Web-based instruction (such as Blackboard) and five Saturday Webex sessions (on-line format from your own location) during the year. Ongoing communication by the program coordinator with Regional Day Schools for the Deaf throughout the state will facilitate access to experiences with students who are deaf or hard of hearing for program participants. Although the coursework is online there are face to face meetings with the ESC 17 staff mentors during the fall and spring semesters and at the beginning of the program in June in Lubbock for orientation and sign language boot camp. The cohort participants also visit Texas School for the Deaf in Austin as a group during the spring semester. Participants are reimbursed their travel expenses for these activities and districts are reimbursed the cost of substitute teachers.

Applicants who apply to this deaf education certification program must currently be certified in one or more areas of education, have three or more years of teaching experience and have functional computer and internet access. Applicants must also be able to commit to future work in the deaf education teaching field; taking and passing the TEXES 181 certification exam upon completion of the program; and taking the Texas Assessment of Sign Communication (TASC) if applicable for job placement.

Participants who receive the scholarship will be responsible for the admission to Texas Tech University and the College of Education by completing TTU and COE Deaf/Hard of Hearing Program admission requirements and any financial responsibilities not covered by the scholarship.

Region 17 ESC will accept applications for cohort 16 of this project beginning January 7, 2019, through March 8, 2019.

Students accepted for cohort 16 are required to attend orientation and sign language “Boot Camp” in Lubbock. The dates are tentatively set for May 29-May 31, 2019 prior to Summer I classes. The selected cohort members will be notified of the official dates by March 22, 2019. Students will be reimbursed for travel expenses to attend this orientation.

The continuation of this program is contingent upon continued funding by the Texas Education Agency.

**** After notification of acceptance into the program****

The student must complete the application for Texas Tech University

For TTU application guidance contact:

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For Questions about the Deaf Education Certification Program at Texas Tech University contact:

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Contact Information

For additional information regarding this Deaf Education Program, please contact:

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Summer I 2018	Summer II 2018
2 Classes	1 Class
Fall 2018	Spring 2019
2 Classes; 1 Practicum	2 Classes; 1 Practicum