



HOUSTON CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY DEGREE PLAN
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BS) IN SCIENCE (7-12) WITH TEACHER CERTIFICATION AND ESL AND SPED
CATALOG YEAR: 2024-2025

NAME: _____ H#: _____ DATE: _____

Candidates for a single major undergraduate baccalaureate degree must complete a total of at least 126 credit hours along with the following requirements:

- No fewer than 30 semester hours of upper-level (3000 or 4000) courses.
- No more than 6 credit hours in Kinesiology activity courses or other student activity hours will count towards the 126-credit hour requirement.
- Complete the Liberal Arts Core Requirements (certain majors may have specific requirements for Liberal Arts Core – please see your advisor)
- Complete a minimum of 30 hours or 25% of the required hours, whichever is greater, of residency at HCU including at least 12 upper-level hours in the major.
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 with no grade below “C” in courses required for the major.
- If completing a MINOR, at least 9 upper-level hours of residency at HCU included in the minor with a grade of “C” or higher in all courses.

Once admitted and enrolled at HCU, each student MUST:

- Receive prior approval for any courses taken at another institution (up to 18 total credit hours only).
- File a degree plan with the Office of Academic Records before 60 credit hours have been completed.
- File an application to graduate at least one (1) semester before anticipated date of graduation.

LIBERAL ARTS CORE REQUIREMENTS: *Course must be completed with a “C” or higher

COURSES	HOURS	COURSES	HOURS
*ENGL 1313 Composition & Literature I	3	*MATH 1434 Precalculus	4
*ENGL 1323 Composition & Literature II	3	PHYS 1416 General Physics I	4
ENGL 2315 OR 2325 Great Works of Literature I or II	3	GOVT 2313 American & Texas Government	3
PSYC 1313 General Psychology	3	HIST 2311 Western Civilization I	3
PHIL 1313 Introduction to Philosophy	3	Additional History (Choose One): HIST 2312, HIST 2313, HIST 2323	3
CHRI 1301 Introduction to the Bible	3	ART 2343 Art Appreciation or MUSI 1331 Music Appreciation	3
CHRI 2373 Christian Theology & Tradition	3	COMM 1323 Rhetoric & Public Speaking	3
		TOTAL HOURS IN LIBERAL ARTS CORE	44

Students transferring to Houston Christian University with 45 or more hours of transferable college credit are only required to take CHRI 3300, Introduction to Bible and Theology, to meet their Liberal Arts Core Curriculum Christianity requirements.

MATH AND BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS: All courses must be completed with a “C” or higher

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	HOURS
PRE-EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS		
EDUC 2320	Learning and Development	3
EDSP 2302	Survey of Exceptional Children	3
COURSES TAKEN AFTER ADMISSION TO EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM		
EDRE 4330	Teaching Content Area Reading Skills	3
EDSP 4311	Diagnostic and Prescriptive Teaching for Exceptional Children	3
EDUC 4100	TEXES State Certification Exam Preparation Seminar	1
ETEC 4306	Educational Applications of Technology	3
EDUC 4311	Curriculum and Instruction in the Secondary School	3
EDUC 4320	Teaching Methodology for Secondary Teachers	3
EDUC 4400	Clinical Teaching Seminar	4
EDUC 4800	Clinical Teaching	8
EDUC 4302	Classroom Culture, Climate, and Safety	3
SCIENCE 7-12 REQUIREMENTS		
BIOL 2354	General Biology I	3
BIOL 2154	General Biology I Lab	1
BIOL 2355	General Biology II	3
BIOL 2155	General Biology II Lab	1
BIOL 3301	Cellular and Molecular Biology	3
BIOL 3101	Cellular and Molecular Biology Lab	1
BIOL 3434 or BIOL 3444	Ecology and Field Biology or Genetics	4
CHEM 1411	Chemistry of Our World	4
CHEM 2315	General Chemistry I	3
CHEM 2115	General Chemistry I Lab	1
CHEM 2316	General Chemistry II	3
CHEM 2116	General Chemistry II Lab	1
PHYS 1416	General Physics I	LACC
PHYS 1417	General Physics II	4
	One additional 4-hour upper-level science from BIOL, CHEM, or PHYS	4
EDBI 4304	Methods of Teaching ESL	3
EDBI 4305	Second Language Acquisition	3
EDSP 4352	Behavior and Classroom Management	3
TOTAL HOURS IN MAJOR		82
TOTAL HOURS IN DEGREE		126

OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Community Life and Worship (CLW) points: 80 credits required for graduation (at least 50 points must be CLW-A earned through worship events, up to 30 points may be CLW-B earned through community life events).
- FYS 1300 Freshman Year Seminar is required for all students enrolling at HCU with fewer than thirty (30) completed semester hours. College credit earned prior to high school graduation does not count toward the 30-hour requirement. Students enrolled in 100% online degree programs will take a three-hour course, ONLN 1300 Introduction to Online Learning, in place of FYS 1300.

BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL REQUIREMENTS ON THE DEGREE PLAN. THIS DEGREE PLAN IS NOT VALID UNTIL RECEIVED & PROCESSED BY THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC RECORDS.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

DEAN OF COLLEGE _____ DATE _____

ACADEMIC ADVISOR _____ DATE _____

Office of Academic Records Use Only Processed by: _____ Date: _____