## TEXAS EDUCATION CODE TITLE 2. PUBLIC EDUCATION SUBTITLE D. EDUCATORS AND SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS CHAPTER 21. EDUCATORS SUBCHAPTER B. CERTIFICATION OF EDUCATORS

## TEC, §21.050. ACADEMIC DEGREE REQUIRED FOR TEACHING CERTIFICATE; <u>FIELD-BASED EXPERIENCE OR</u> INTERNSHIP.

- (a) A person who applies for a teaching certificate for which board rules require a bachelor's degree must possess a bachelor's degree received with an academic major or interdisciplinary academic major, including reading, [other than education], that is related to the curriculum as prescribed under Subchapter A, Chapter 28.
- (b) [The board may not require more than 18 semester credit hours of education courses at the baccalaureate level for the granting of a teaching certificate.] The board shall provide for a minimum number of semester credit hours of <u>field-based experience or</u> internship to be included in the <u>credit</u> hours needed for certification. The board may propose rules requiring additional credit hours for certification in bilingual education, English as a second language, early childhood education, or special education.
- (c) A person who receives a bachelor's degree required for a teaching certificate on the basis of higher education coursework completed while receiving an exemption from tuition and fees under Section 54.363 may not be required to participate in any field experience or internship consisting of student teaching to receive a teaching certificate.