

Approved Health Science Technology Occupations

- The Health Science Technology (HST) teaching certificate requires professional skill and experienceⁱ in a HST profession.
- The skill and experience requirement is one of the admission criteria to enroll in an approved HST educator preparation program.
- The list below identifies eligible HST occupations for meeting the experience and skill program admittance requirement.
- The HST certificate curricula shall be based on the standards approved by the State Board for Educator Certification.
- Contact an [approved Texas HST educator preparation program](#) for an evaluation of work experience and for details on obtaining a Texas HST teaching certificateⁱⁱ.

Health Science Occupation	Governing Agency for Licensure
Athletic Trainer, ATC	Texas Advisory Board of Athletic Trainers
Audiologist, AUD	Texas State Board of Examiners of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
Cardiovascular Technologist, RCVT	American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers Registry
Chiropractor, DC	Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners
Cytotechnologist, CT	American Society of Clinical Pathologists or Health and Human Services
Dental Hygienist	Texas State Board of Dental Examiners
Dental Laboratory Technician, CDT	National Board for Certification in Dental Laboratory Technology
Dentist, DDS or DMD	Texas State Board of Dental Examiners
Diagnostic Medical Sonographer	American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers
Emergency Medical Services, MT-P	Texas Department of State Health Services-Emergency Medical Services
Histotechnician, HT	American Society of Clinical Pathologists
Histotechnologist, HTL	American Society of Clinical Pathologists
Medical Laboratory Scientist (MLS)	American Society of Clinical Pathologists or American Medical Technologists
Medical Technologist, MT	American Society of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP) or American Medical Technologists
Nuclear Medicine Technologist, NMT	American Registry of Radiologic Technologists or Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board
Occupational Therapist, OT	Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners
Occupational Therapy Assistant, COTA	Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners
Optometrist, OD	Texas Optometry Board
Orthotist, CO, CP, OR CPO,	Texas Board of Orthotics and Prosthetics
Osteopath, DO	Texas Medical Board
Paramedic EMT-LP	Texas Department of State Health Services-Emergency Medical Services
Pharmacist	Texas State Board of Pharmacy

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Physical Therapist, PT	Texas Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners
Physical Therapy Assistant, PTA	Texas Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners
Physician Assistant, PA or PA-C	Texas Physician Assistant Board
Physician, MD	Texas Medical Board
Podiatrist Physician, DPM	Texas State Board of Podiatry Examiners
Prosthetist	Texas Board of Orthotics and Prosthetics
Psychologist, PhD	Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists
Radiation Therapy Technologist, RRT	Texas Department of State Health Services Licensed issued by Medical Radiologic Technologist Certification Program
Radiologic Technologist, RT	Texas Department of State Health Services Licensed issued by Medical Radiologic Technologist Certification Program
Recreational Therapist, CTR or CTRS	National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification, Inc.
Registered Nurse, ADRN or BSN	National Council of State Boards of Nursing Examination administered by the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners
Respiratory Therapist, CRT or RRT	Texas Department of State Health Services Respiratory Care Practitioners Certification Program
Speech/Language Pathologist, SLP	Texas State Board of Examiners of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology DSHS National Certification of Clinical Competence in Audiology

ⁱ Experience and Preparation in a Skill Area is an admission requirement to enroll in an HST approved educator preparation program [TAC Chapter 233, Rule §233.14 (d)].

- A minimum of 2 years full-time wage earning experience utilizing the required HST license.
- Valid HST licensure, certification, or registration by a nationally recognized accrediting agency and state certification, or registration.

ⁱⁱ Texas teaching certificate for Health Science Technology requires a bachelor's degree.