

University of Houston's ACP STELLAR Overview

Monday, November 24, 2025

What is STELLAR?

- Partnership with the ExxonMobil Foundation
- Support Teacher STEM Training (TST)
- Goals
 - Improve the STEM knowledge of math and science teachers
 - Enhance teachers' ability to teach STEM content
 - Provide teacher STEM training at no cost to teachers
- UH's ACP + science or math = funding

**STELLAR = STEM Teacher
Training: Enhancing Learning,
Leadership, and Academic Rigor**

Requirements

1. A bachelor's degree with **15** credit hours in science **or** math
2. Accepted into **ACP**
3. Obtain a job teaching:
 - Science **or** math
 - **Middle school** grade level
 - E.G.: 6th, 7th, or 8th grade math or science
 - **Houston ISD, KIPP-Houston, or Spring ISD**



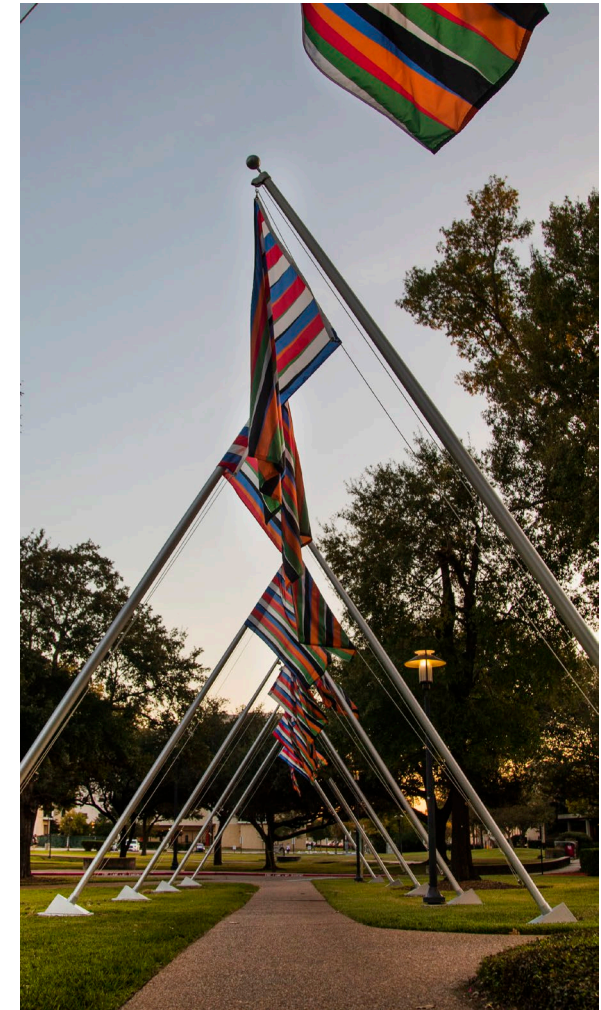
Certification areas

- EC-6 Core Subjects
- EC-6 Core Subjects + Bilingual Supplemental
- EC-6 Core Subjects + Special Education
- EC-12 Art
- EC-12 Languages Other Than English (LOTE) – Spanish
- EC-12 Special education
- 4-8 English
- **4-8 Mathematics**
- **4-8 Science**
- 4-8 Social Studies
- 7-12 English
- 7-12 History
- **7-12 Mathematics**
- **7-12 Science**
- 7-12 Social Studies



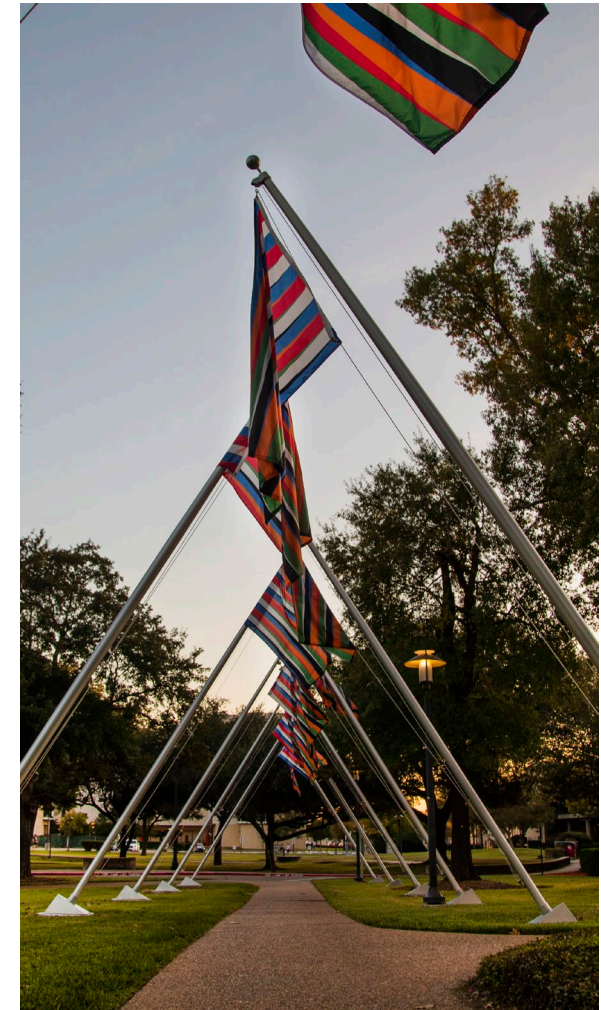
Math examples

1. A bachelor's degree with **15** credit hours **math**
 - Bachelor of science
 - Typically 12 credit hours/4 math classes
 - Examples for math include:
 - College algebra
 - Calculus
 - Trigonometry
 - Statistics
 - Linear Algebra



Science examples

1. A bachelor's degree with **15** credit hours of **science**
 - Bachelor's of Science varies by university
 - Examples for science include:
 - Biology
 - Chemistry
 - Physics
 - Precalculus or Calculus (often 4 credits)



TX PACT Exam

- *What if I don't have content hours?*
 - PACT
 - Doesn't guarantee acceptance
 - Cost: \$106 - \$131



Participating districts



ACP cost

Application fee	\$0
UH ACP Program	\$6,500



Program cost covered by
ExxonMobil

Additional certification costs

Item	Payment
2026 Intern Certificate	\$78
Fingerprinting and background check	\$50.25
TExES Exam(s) (including PPR exam)	\$116/ exam (Both covered by STELLAR)
240 Tutoring (test prep software)	\$49.99/month* \$25 with ACP discount code
Parking	\$20/visit (roughly)
2027 Standard Certificate	\$78

Next step: APPLY!

Application fee: \$0

Priority deadline:
Saturday, January 10, 2026

Final deadline:
Tuesday, March 10, 2026

Application Preparation

Two important questions:

1. How might participation in STELLAR support your personal professional growth as a teacher? (150 words maximum)
2. What strengths would you bring to the STELLAR learning community? (150 words maximum)

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Questions?



Good luck!

We wish you the best of luck in gaining a scholarship for your ACP costs!

Don't forget — **we're here for you!**

Email us anytime at:
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THANK YOU!