What is the Signature Teacher Residency Model?

The Signature Teacher Residency model provides the opportunity for our UTSA COEHD teacher candidates to participate in the educational growth of students over a longer period of time, while simultaneously integrating coursework into the clinical experience. The program consists of:

- Clinically-embedded coursework
- Carefully selected Mentor Teachers
- Year-long clinical teaching (two semesters)
- Co-teaching and Co-planning with a mentor teacher from day one
- Weekly clinical seminars
- Dedicated Residency Faculty

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Areas of Teacher Certification

Residency Model helps to address the critical demand/shortage areas and makes teacher candidates in these areas more competitive:
- EC-6 ESL
- EC-6 Bilingual Education

Fall 2024: Expanding to Special Education, Middle-Level, Secondary, All-Level Certification.

Highly qualified teacher candidates can choose to apply to one of the following residency programs:

UTSA Signature Teacher Residency
- TCLAS funded Clinical Teacher Residency
  - All EC-6 Certification Areas
- UTSA-NISD PreClinical Through Clinical Teaching Residency
  - All-Level Certification Areas
- UTSA-NISD CAST Teach HS Residency
  - Secondary Certification Only

What are the benefits of the Signature Teacher Residency Model?
- Financial Support and Scholarships
- Fully funded Residency Stipends
- Cohort of Teacher Candidates
- Carefully Selected Mentor Teachers
- More Interaction with EC-12 Students
- District and Campus Involvement
- Research and Presentation Opportunities and Seminars

How do I get into a residency?
1. Attend Clinical Teaching Information Session
2. Submit online application (after CT Info Session)
3. UTSA & District select candidates for interviews
4. Districts conduct interviews and recommend candidates for TCLAS Signature Residency
5. UTSA notifies candidates of recommendations for TCLAS and other residencies
6. Sign and Submit acceptance letter to UTSA
7. District begins on-boarding process