

The Teacher Education Program at TSU prepares competent and caring facilitators of learning, committed to diversity and the success of all. Ready2Teach (R2T), a clinically-rich, co-teaching residency model sponsored by TBR, helps TSU accomplish its teacher education mission. Enhanced by the Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA)—a performance-based approach to candidate evaluation—R2T prepares new teachers to be ready to teach from day one in the classroom.

What is Ready2Teach?

- A year-long co-teaching residency in the schools
- Consists of Residency 1 (minimum 50%) and Residency 2 (100 %)
- Strong partnership with schools and school-based mentors
- Utilizes problem-based learning (analysis of authentic cases)
- Designed to improve P-12 student outcomes
- Intended to help public schools meet their goals and address needs

What is the Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA)?

- A performance-based approach to candidate assessment
- Capstone assessment integrates planning, instruction, assessment, and analysis of teaching
- Candidates videotape 15 -20 minute teaching event for reflection and analysis
- Candidates construct approximately 40-page narrative on critical teaching tasks
- Candidates submit electronic report on teaching event for assessment by 2 reviewers

How does R2T benefit partner schools?

- Candidates as co-teachers provide assistance in the classroom
- Mutual development of skills as mentor teachers and candidates engage in co-teaching
- Candidates able to provide individual attention and tutoring to students
- Opportunity for recruitment of highly qualified new teachers
- Opportunities for professional development from university faculty
- The TPA as part of R2T prepares candidates for the TEAM evaluation

When will R2T be implemented?

• TSU will implement the year-long residency for most of its teacher candidates in fall 2012 at most of the clinical sites. Full implementation for all teacher candidates will occur in fall 2013.

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