



**Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation**

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**DYSLEXIA THERAPIST OR DYSLEXIA PRACTITIONER APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

This application is for an individual who chooses to become licensed as a dyslexia therapist or a dyslexia practitioner under the provisions of Occupations Code, Chapter 120. State law requires that only a person who holds a license is authorized to use the titles "licensed dyslexia therapist" or "licensed dyslexia practitioner". A person who does not use those titles is not required by law to hold a license.

Enclose with this application a check or money order for \$150.00 made payable to Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation and mail to the address shown above. Your initial license will be valid for two years.

The application must be completed and signed by the applicant. An application is not considered complete and will not be processed until all required items have been submitted. All information provided must be typed or printed in **black ink**. Attachments must be submitted on separate pieces of single-sided, 8½" x 11" paper. Use a paperclip to fasten all pages together, with the check or money order on top. **Do not use staples.**

**DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED WITH YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE RETURNED. KEEP A COPY OF YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION, ALL ATTACHMENTS, AND YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.**

1. **NAME** – Write your legal name in the spaces provided. (Last, First, Middle Name, Suffix) Examples of a suffix include Jr., Sr., and II. (Mr. is not a suffix.)
2. **GENDER** – Select whether you are male or female.
3. **DATE OF BIRTH** – Write your birthdate.
4. **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER** – Social Security number disclosure is required by Section 231.302(1) of the Texas Family Code in order to obtain a license. Your social security number is subject to disclosure to an agency authorized to assist in the collection of child support payments. For more information regarding child support payments, contact the Texas Attorney General at:  

www.oag.state.tx.us/child/index or call (512) 460-6000 or (800) 252-8014.
5. **EMAIL ADDRESS** – Write your email address. Please provide your email address so the department may email license information and required notices to you. Your email address is confidential pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act, and the department will not share it with the public. (Required)
6. **PERSONAL PHONE NUMBER** – Write a telephone number, including the area code, where we can reach you during the day. This may be your office phone number where we can leave a message.
7. **Work PHONE NUMBER** - Write your telephone number, including the area code.
8. **MAILING ADDRESS** – Write your current mailing address. This is the address where we will send you mail. This address can be a post office box. You can add the zip plus-4 to help the postal service deliver mail more efficiently and accurately.
9. **TYPE OF LICENSE FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLY** – Please place a check mark in the box next to the type of license for which you are eligible. You may need to read the information provided in items 10 and 11 in order to make this determination
10. **DYSLEXIA PRACTITIONER** – Please place a check mark in the box if you are certified or not certified by the Academic Language Therapy Association and provide the required items.

**A. Certified**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. An original transcript that verifies the award of a bachelor's degree (or an advanced degree) from a regionally accredited college or university. If you hold an advanced degree, please submit proof of the highest level degree that you hold.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Proof of current certification as an academic language teacher or an academic language practitioner issued by ALTA.

## B. Not Certified

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. An original transcript that verifies the award of a bachelor's degree (or an advanced degree) from a regionally accredited college or university. If you hold an advanced degree, please submit proof of the highest level degree that you hold.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Proof of successful completion of a training program accredited by the International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council (IMSLEC) that includes, at a minimum:
  - 45 contact hours of coursework in multisensory structured language education;
  - 60 hours of supervised clinical experience providing multisensory structured language education to students or adults, either individually or in small groups; and
  - Five demonstration lessons of multisensory structured language education observed by an instructor and followed by a conference with and a written report by the instructor.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Proof of successful completion of the Alliance National Registration Examination for Multisensory Structured Language Education Associate/Teaching Level administered by ALTA.

11. DYSLEXIA THERAPIST WITH MASTER'S DEGREE – Please place a check mark in the box if you are certified or not certified by the Academic Language Therapy Association and provide the required items.

### A. Certified

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. An original transcript that verifies the award of a master's or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Proof of current certification as an academic language therapist issued by ALTA.

### B. Not Certified

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. An original transcript that verifies the award of a master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university. If you hold a more advanced degree, please submit proof of the highest level degree that you hold.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Proof of successful completion of a training program accredited by the International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council (IMSLEC) that includes, at a minimum:
  - 200 contact hours of coursework in multisensory structured language education;
  - 700 hours of supervised clinical experience providing multisensory structured language education to students or adults, either individually or in small groups; and
  - Ten demonstration lessons of the practice of multisensory structured language education observed by an instructor and followed by a conference with and a written report by the instructor.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Proof of successful completion of the Alliance National Registration Examination for Multisensory Structured Language Education Therapist Level administered by ALTA.

12. POSSESS ANY PROFESSIONAL OR OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE, REGISTRATIONS, CERTIFICATES OR PERMITS ISSUED BY ANY STATE, JURISDICTION, OR TERRITORY – Indicate if you have any other licenses, registrations, certificates or permits by checking Yes or No. If Yes, give the profession or occupation, license or certificate number, name of the issuing jurisdiction, and date issued.

13. CRIMINAL HISTORY – Indicate if you have ever been convicted of, or placed on deferred adjudication for, any Misdemeanor or Felony, other than a minor traffic violation. If YES, complete and attach a Criminal History Questionnaire for each offense. This form can be obtained from the TDLR website at [www.tdlr.texas.gov/MISC/lic002.pdf](http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/MISC/lic002.pdf).

If you are worried your criminal history could prevent you from getting this license, Texas allows you to have your criminal history evaluated before submitting your application and non-refundable fees. To request a criminal history evaluation, submit a Criminal History Evaluation Letter, a completed Criminal History Questionnaire form for each crime you were convicted of, or placed on deferred adjudication for, and a \$25 fee. You can find more information on the process and download the necessary forms on the TDLR website at [www.tdlr.texas.gov/crimHistoryEval.htm](http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/crimHistoryEval.htm).

14. DISCIPLINARY ACTION HISTORY – Indicate if you have ever had a professional or occupational license, certification, or registration or permit suspended, revoked, or denied in any state. If you have, complete and attach a Disciplinary Action Questionnaire for each disciplinary action. This form can be obtained from the TDLR website at [www.tdlr.texas.gov/misc/Disciplinary Action Questionnaire.pdf](http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/misc/Disciplinary Action Questionnaire.pdf).

15. STATEMENT OF APPLICANT - Carefully read the statement before dating and signing your application.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING NON-ACCREDITED TRAINING PROGRAMS**

A person who seeks licensure as a dyslexia therapist or a dyslexia practitioner and who completed a training program that is not accredited by the International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council (IMSLEC) must seek approval of the person's training program prior to applying for licensure.

A training program not accredited by IMSLEC must be reviewed and approved by TDLR and the Dyslexia Licensing Advisory Committee before the training program's participants may be approved for licensure. In order to be reviewed, a training program must submit documentation that verifies the training program meet the requirements described in the Dyslexia Licensing Program rules found in Title 16, TAC 120.24(a) (Requirements for Training Programs).

## **APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS, MILITARY VETERANS AND MILITARY SPOUSES**

The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation recognizes the contributions of our active duty military service members, their spouses, and veterans. If you want to use one of the licensing options available to military service members, military veterans and military spouses, please complete the **Military Service Member, Military Veteran or Military Spouse Supplemental Application (TDLR form MIL001)** and attach it with your license application. The form is located on the TDLR website at: <http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/misc/militarysupplemental.pdf>.

If you have additional questions about qualifications, training or experience requirements relating to occupation licensing for military service members, military veterans or military spouses please go to the TDLR Military Information web page at: <http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/military.htm>.

State law prohibits renewing a license more than once after a licensee has defaulted on a student loan guaranteed by the **Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation (TGS LC)** unless the licensee has entered into a repayment agreement with TGS LC. **YOU SHOULD CONTACT TGS LC BEFORE FILING THIS APPLICATION** if you have defaulted on a student loan. An application or renewal may be rejected if this agency has received information from TGS LC that the applicant has defaulted on a student loan. The Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation can be contacted at: **Texas Guaranteed ATTN: Collections, PO Box 83100, Round Rock, TX 78683-3100, Telephone: (800) 222-6297, <http://www.tgslc.org> or email: [cust.assist@tgslc.org](mailto:cust.assist@tgslc.org).**



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DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

**APPLICATION FEE: \$150 (FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE)**

**This completed form must be accompanied by required educational documents and the application fee**

1. Name:				2. Gender:	
Last		First	Middle Name	Suffix	
				<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	

3. Date of birth:	4. Social Security Number:	5. Email Address:	
Month   Day   Year	See Instruction Sheet for Disclosure Information	(Ex: johndoe@aol.com) See Instructions sheet for Disclosure)	

6. Personal Phone Number:	7. Work Phone Number:
(   )	(   )
Area Code   Number	Area Code   Number

8. Mailing Address:

(P.O. Box, Number, Street Name/Apartment Number)

City   State   Zip Code

9. Type of license for which you are applying:  
 Please check the box next to the type of license for which you are eligible. You may need to read the information provided in items 10 and 11 in order to make this determination.

**DYSLEXIA PRACTITIONER** - I hold a BACHELOR'S degree (or an advanced degree) from a regionally accredited college or university and I have completed the additional training, experience, and examination qualifications for licensure as a dyslexia practitioner. (See item **10** below for more information.)

**DYSLEXIA THERAPIST** - I hold a MASTER'S degree (or a more advanced degree) from a regionally accredited college or university and I have completed the additional training, experience, and examination qualifications for licensure as a dyslexia therapist. (See item **11** below for more information.)

10. Dyslexia Practitioner: (place a check mark in the box of your certification)

**I am certified by the Academic Language Therapy Association.** (checklist of documentation required for licensure)  
 A person who holds *current* certification as an academic language teacher or an academic language practitioner issued by the Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA) is required to submit the following two items with this application:

A. An original transcript that verifies the award of a bachelor's degree (or an advanced degree) from a regionally accredited college or university. If you hold an advanced degree, please submit proof of the highest level degree that you hold.

B. Proof of current certification as an academic language teacher or an academic language practitioner issued by ALTA.

**I am not certified by the Academic Language Therapy Association.** (checklist of documentation required for licensure)  
 A person who does *not hold current* certification as an academic language teacher or an academic language practitioner issued by ALTA is required to submit the following three items with this application:

A. An original transcript that verifies the award of a bachelor's degree (or an advanced degree) from a regionally accredited college or university. If you hold an advanced degree, please submit proof of the highest level degree that you hold.

- B. Proof of successful completion of a training program accredited by the International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council (IMSLEC) that includes, at a minimum:
- 45 contact hours of coursework in multisensory structured language education;
  - 60 hours of supervised clinical experience providing multisensory structured language education to students or adults, either individually or in small groups; and
  - Five demonstration lessons of multisensory structured language education observed by an instructor and followed by a conference with and a written report by the instructor.
- C. Proof of successful completion of the Alliance National Registration Examination for Multisensory Structured Language Education Associate/Teaching Level administered by ALTA.

11. Dyslexia Therapist with Master's Degree: (place a check mark in the box of your certification)

**I am certified by the Academic Language Therapy Association.** (checklist of documentation required for licensure)

A person who holds *current* certification as an academic language therapist issued by the Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA) is required to submit the following two items with this application:

- A. An original transcript that verifies the award of a master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university. If you hold a more advanced degree, please submit proof of the highest level degree that you hold.  
 B. Proof of current certification as an academic language therapist issued by ALTA.

**I am not certified by the Academic Language Therapy Association.** (checklist of documentation required for licensure)

A person who does not hold current certification as an academic language therapist issued by ALTA is required to submit the following three items with this application:

- A. An original transcript that verifies the award of a master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university. If you hold a more advanced degree, please submit proof of the highest level degree that you hold.  
 B. Proof of successful completion of a training program accredited by the International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council (IMSLEC) that includes, at a minimum:
- 200 contact hours of coursework in multisensory structured language education;
  - 700 hours of supervised clinical experience providing multisensory structured language education to students or adults, either individually or in small groups; and
  - Ten demonstration lessons of the practice of multisensory structured language education observed by an instructor and followed by a conference with and a written report by the instructor.
- C. Proof of successful completion of the Alliance National Registration Examination for Multisensory Structured Language Education Therapist Level administered by ALTA.

12. Do you possess any professional or occupational licenses, registrations, certificates, or permits issued by any state, jurisdiction, or territory?  Yes  No

If YES, state profession or occupation; license or certificate number; name of the issuing jurisdiction, and date issued:

13. Have you ever been convicted of, or placed on deferred adjudication for, any misdemeanor or felony, other than a minor traffic violation?  Yes  No

If YES, complete and submit a Criminal History questionnaire (CHQ) for each offense.

See instructions sheet for more information

14. Have you ever had a professional or occupational license, certification, registration or permit suspended, revoked or denied in any state?  Yes  No

If YES, complete and submit a Disciplinary Action Questionnaire (DAQ) with this application.

(This does not include your driver license)

15. STATEMENT OF APPLICANT

The information which I have provided in this application is truthful and complete. I understand that providing false information of any kind may result in the voiding of this application, and my failing to be granted a license, or the revocation of my license.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_