

Master of Arts in Teaching – Secondary Certification

All courses require field experiences

EDU 501 Issues in Education	Introduces graduate students to issues of professionalism including the agencies and entities that impact education. Reviews school law that relates to the practice of teaching. 2 credits / 12 FE Hours
EDU 539 Adolescent Growth and Development	Explores human growth of typical and exceptional youth from the on-set of puberty through late adolescence. 3 credits / 16 FE Hours
EDU 540 Students with Exceptionalities	Examines the process of identifying children whose intellectual, physical or emotional development deviates from normalcy in order to create strategies to accommodate them. Introduces the legal, historical, and social foundations of special education. 3 credits / 16 FE Hours
EDU 542 Diversity and Schools	Provides an introduction to the history, politics, issues, and approaches to educating a culturally and linguistically diverse student population. 3 credits / 16 FE Hours
EDU 544 Technology and Teaching	Investigates the impact technology has on teaching and learning. Students design and implement technology based curriculum for use in the classroom. 3 credits / 16 FE Hours
EDU 548 Behavioral Management	Examines the application of learning theory to the management of both exceptional and typical school populations. 3 credits / 16 FE Hours
EDU 550 Measurement and Design	Explores the evaluation of student growth as an integral part of instruction. Also addresses professional, social, ethical, and philosophical implications. 4 credits / 20 FE Hours
EDU 552 Teaching Middle/Secondary Students	Introduces instructional planning and teaching methodology appropriate for middle/secondary students. 4 credits / 20 FE Hours
EDU 556 Middle/Secondary School Curriculum	Examines the principles and practices of curriculum planning, design, implementation, and evaluation. 4 credits / 20 FE Hours
EDU 558 Reading/Writing in Content Area	Provides orientation to the processes of reading and writing, emphasizing methods and materials appropriate to instruction within the appropriate subject area in middle/secondary school. 4 credits / 20 FE Hours
EDU 560 Student Teaching	Offers students the opportunity to participate full-time in a supervised teaching assignment in an appropriate school environment. Requires one semester (approx. 15 weeks) of clinical practice. 10 credits / Full Time Daily Commitment

In addition to the above coursework, a minimum of 32 semester hours of coursework that meets the standards for the content area in which the candidate is seeking certification is required. In order to meet the state standards for the content area a candidate may need to complete more than the minimum of 32 semester hours. A transcript evaluation completed by the certification officer will determine the deficient areas of coursework. The content area coursework for secondary majors must be completed prior to student teaching.