

Middle Grades Education

Course work for Middle Grades candidates falls into six categories: general education, introductory courses, core courses, methods courses, content area courses, and student teaching.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate mastery of content, technological advances, and pedagogical expertise in the content and grade levels in which they teach
2. Establish a safe, inclusive, and respectful learning environment for a diverse population of students
3. Plan and deliver effective instruction, supported by appropriate technological applications, and create an environment that facilitates learning for all students
4. Demonstrate high standards for professional conduct
5. Partner, collaborate, and engage with families and/or communities to develop relationships and build networks of support for student success
6. Actively advocate for students, families, and schools to support equity and social justice
7. Apply research to improve practice and student learning

Requirements

Introductory Courses

TEP 207	Foundations of American Education	3
TEP 223	Adolescent Development for Teachers	3
TEP 224	Exceptional Child for Teachers	3
TEP 227	Educational Psychology for Teachers	3
Total Hours		12

Core Courses

TEP 305	Technology For Teaching	3
TEP 315	Advanced Classroom Management	3
TEP 318	Curriculum, Planning, and Assessment	3
Total Hours		9

Methods Courses ¹

TEP 405	Teaching in the Middle School	3
TEP 419	Content Area Literacy Methods	3
Total Hours		6

¹ TEP 301 is a prerequisite for all TEP 400 Level courses

Content Area Endorsements

Middle Grades candidates choose one of the following content areas:

- English Language Arts
- Math

- Science
- Social Science

Student Teaching

Middle Grades candidates who have completed all general education requirements; all introductory, core, and methods courses; and all course work for content area, and all other requirements will be eligible to complete student teaching. The student teaching semester includes two courses. Candidates must consult with their advisor to determine which set of student teaching courses is appropriate.

Requirements

Select one set of the following depending on licensure area: 12

TEP 448	Elementary and Middle Grades Student Teaching Seminar
TEP 450	ECCE: Student Teaching - Elementary and Middle Grade ¹
OR	
TEP 449	Middle Grade and High School Student Teaching Seminar
TEP 451	ECCE: Student Teaching - Middle Grade and High School ¹

Total Hours 12

¹ This course fulfills the ECCE Engagement Experience requirement

Candidates are required to apply for student teaching. Applications are to be completed within the prescribed time frame. Candidates must complete a state and federal background check as directed by the host district prior to the start of student teaching.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All TEP candidates should consult with their academic content major advisors to confirm any additional ECCE requirements.