

Secondary Education Minor

Students may seek to become a 9-12 educator by majoring in education or by minoring in teacher education.

Choosing a teacher's licensure pathway through a minor, while majoring in a different subject, can sometimes lead to a plan of study that exceeds the typical 120 credit hours required for graduation, potentially extending the time to completion. Given these factors, students pursuing this pathway should plan for a potentially extended academic timeline. It is important to work closely with academic advisors in both the major and minor to carefully map out a course plan that efficiently integrates the requirements for both the major and the teacher licensure minor, while also being prepared for the possibility of an extended time to graduation.

In addition to the required courses below for Secondary Teachers Licensure, students may need additional courses to fulfill licensure requirements in areas of general education and content specific course work to receive a Professional Educator License.

Requirements

Introductory Courses

TEP 207	Foundations of American Education	3
TEP 223	Adolescent Development for Teachers	3
TEP 224	Survey of Exceptional Children in Schools	3
TEP 227	Educational Psychology for Teachers	3

Core Courses

TEP 305	Technology For Teaching	3
TEP 315	Classroom Community and Belonging	3
TEP 318	Curriculum Theory and Development	3

Methods Courses

TEP 301 is a prerequisite for all methods courses.

TEP 415	Teaching and Assessment in Secondary Schools	3
TEP 419	Content Area Literacy Methods	3

Select one of the following depending on licensure area 3

TEP 435	English Methods for Middle and Secondary Grades	
TEP 436	Mathematics Methods for Middle and Secondary Grades	
TEP 437	Science Methods for Middle and Secondary Grades	
TEP 438	Social Studies Methods for Middle and Secondary Grades	

Total Hours 30

Student Teaching

Students must successfully complete all licensure requirements for student teaching. The student teaching semester includes two courses:

Requirements

TEP 449	Middle Grade and High School Student Teaching Seminar	3
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TEP 451	ECCE: Student Teaching - Middle Grade and High School	9
Total Hours		12

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