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Middle School Education  
Certification Program

A professional certification program requiring a minimum of a baccalaureate degree for entry. Includes initial preparation for certification. Requires overall and cumulative grade point average of 2.75. Completion of or exemption of Praxis I test and completion of Middle Grades Praxis II test. Completion of all course work with a minimum grade of C.

The Middle School Certification Program is a minimum of two years of full time course work. Required courses are offered only at the Athens Campus during the regular day class schedule (see cohort class schedule for approximate class days and times). The program starts once a year in the fall semester. Applications are due January 15, for the following fall semester. Please see Middle School Application Packet for additional information.

**Courses Related to Teaching Field Required: (minimum 18 hours)**

EFND 2030 (3 semester hours) - Foundations of Education (or equivalent)  
EPSY 2020 (3 semester hours) - Learning and Development in Education (or equivalent)  
SPED 2000 (3 semester hours) - Survey of Special Education (or equivalent)  
EDIT 2000 (3 semester hours) - Introduction to Computers for Teachers (or equivalent)

Choose two categories below according to Specialization Areas I and II:

Language Arts (3 semester hours) - 2000- level English course (or equivalent)  
Mathematics (3 semester hours) - MATH 2200 & MATH 2200L - Analytic Geometry and Calculus with lab (or equivalent)  
Science (4 semester hours) - CHEM 1110 & CHEM 1110L - Elementary Chemistry With lab (or equivalent)  
Social Science (3 semester hours) - ECON 2105 - Principles of Macroeconomics or GEOG 1101 - Introduction to Human Geography or any 2000-level History course

**Professional Teaching Courses Required: (minimum 21 hours)**

EDMS 5020 (3 semester hours) - Educating Young Adolescents  
EDMS 5020L (1 semester hour) – Educating Young Adolescents Lab (Field Experience)  
EDMS 5030 (3 semester hours) - The Middle School Curriculum  
EDMS 5030L (1 semester hour) – The Middle School Curriculum Lab (Field Experience)  
READ 3530 (3 semester hours) - Content Area Reading in the Middle School (or equivalent)  
EDMS 5460/7460 (15 semester hours) - Student Teaching  
EDMS 5040 (3 semester hours) - Teaching in the Middle School

**Choose a Specialization Area I and Area II from the following: (minimum 32 hours)**

Language Arts

ELAN 5210 (3 semester hours) - Children's Literature and Oral language in the Middle School Curriculum (or equivalent)

ELAN 5220 (3 semester hours) - Teaching Composition in the Middle School (or equivalent)

Language Arts Electives (12 semester hours) - Must include one American literature course 3000-level or above. Other electives may be selected from English 3000-level or above, Classics, Comparative Literature 3000-level or above, Drama, Language Education, Linguistics, Reading or Speech

Mathematics

EMAT 5280/7280 (3 semester hours) - Teaching Number Systems in the Middle School

MATH 5020/7020 (3 semester hours) - Arithmetic for Middle School Teachers

EMAT 5290/7290 (3 semester hours) - Teaching Geometry & measurement in the Middle School

MATH 5030/7030 (3 semester hours) - Geometry & Measurement for Middle school Teachers

EMAT 5320/7320 (3 semester hours) - Teaching Algebra in the Middle School

MATH 5035/7035 (3 semester hours) - Algebra for Middle School Teachers

Science

GEOL 4750/6750 (4 semester hours) - Earth Science for Middle School Teachers (or equivalent)

ESCI 4430 (3 semester hours) - Science curriculum for the Middle School (or equivalent)

CHEM 1060 (4 semester hours) - Physical Science for Middle school Teachers (or equivalent)

ESCI 4440 (3 semester hours) - Methods of Teaching Science in Middle School (or equivalent)

Science Elective (3 semester hours) – Selected from ENTO 5730/ENTO 5730L, BIOL 1104/1104L, BIOL 1107/1107L, BIOL 1108/1108L, ASTR 1010/1010L, or GEOG 1112/1112L

Social Science

ESOC 4400/6400 (3 semester hours) - Teaching Social Studies in the Middle Grades

Social Science Electives (15 hours) selected from - ESOC 4150/6150 Teaching United States History, ESOC 5010/7010 Teaching of Geography, ESOC 5520/7520 Teaching Politics, Government and Citizenship, ESOC 5200/7200 Economic Education in the Social Science Curriculum, History-3000 level or above.