

Secondary Education (SECE)

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SECE 5471. Literacy and Differentiation in the Academic Areas, 7-12. 3 Credit Hours.

This course examines ways in which secondary teachers can support all students' development of the complex literate knowledge, strategies, and practices required to achieve deep understandings of essential concepts and skills in an academic or vocational area. The course conceptualizes academic literacies broadly to include written, spoken, graphic, and visual "texts" used both as objects of instruction and supports for learning. Taking a "back-to-front" approach to curriculum design, students develop instructional activities to enable learning of specialized vocabularies, as well as reading and writing in various genres and modes. They learn to differentiate those activities so as to address differences in student backgrounds, interests, language use, learning preferences, and background knowledge.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.