

Secondary Education/Social Studies Education

Learn more about the Bachelor of Science in Education in Secondary Education / Social Studies Education.

Students must complete all coursework and fieldwork requirements needed to make them eligible for Pennsylvania certification in Secondary Education: Social Studies. Passing the required Praxis exam(s) as stipulated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education is required to apply for Pennsylvania certification.

Students wishing to complete a second major in History, Political Science, Economics, Sociology or Geography and Urban Studies should meet with a College of Education and Human Development Academic Advisor to declare the desired second major; students may need to take additional courses as defined by the College of Liberal Arts (CLA).

Summary of Requirements

University Requirements

All students are required to complete the university's General Education (GenEd) curriculum.

All students (including transfer students) must take a minimum of two writing-intensive (WI) courses at Temple University. Writing intensive course numbers end in 96, 97 and 98.

College Requirements

Students receive a Bachelor of Science in Education degree by meeting the following minimum College requirements:

- Completion of program requirements as detailed on the academic plan.
- Earn a "C-" or above in all required Education Courses.
- Earn a "C-" or above in all required University General Education Courses.
- Students in Secondary Education must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA and a 2.0 GPA in their second program (major) courses.

For additional college and certification requirements, refer to the College Requirements page.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
EDUC 2103	Socio-cultural Foundations of Education in the United States ¹	3
EDUC 2109	Adolescent Development for Educators ¹	3
MGSE 2111	Applications of Teaching and Learning Theories to Classroom Practice (grades 4-12)	3
SPED 2231	Introduction to Special Education ¹	3
EDUC 2296	Effective Teaching: Theory and Practice (WI)	3
EDUC 2306	Assessment and Evaluation	3
SPED 3187	Integrated Literacy and Special Education Practicum	3
TESL 3631	Principles and Practice for Teaching English Learners	3
MGSE 3796	Differentiated Literacy Instruction in the Disciplines (grades 7-12) (WI)	3
SPED 3211	Effective Instructional Strategies for Students with Disabilities	3
SPED 4103	Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Support	3
MGSE 4801	Senior Seminar and Performance Assessment in Grades 4-12 Education	3
MGSE 4888	Student Teaching in Grades 4-12	9
Total Credit Hours		45

¹ These courses must be completed with a C- or better to be eligible for Candidacy approval. Pre-Candidacy coursework includes a variety of courses, including a minimum of 1) two college-level math courses totaling at least six credits, 2) one college-level writing/composition course with a minimum of three credits (GenEd Analytical Reading and Writing), and 3) one literature course with a minimum of three credits (Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life, Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good, or an ENG (literature, but not children's literature) course). No 0700 or pre-college level course can count.

Program Requirements for Secondary Education / Social Studies Education

Code	Title	Credit Hours
EDUC 1016 or MATH 1021	Mathematics for Educators ¹ College Algebra	4
MGSE 3466	Methods and Materials in Secondary Social Studies	3
MGSE 4465	Teaching for Understanding in Secondary Social Studies	3
Total Credit Hours		10

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Academic Content Areas - History, Political Science, Economics, Geography, Sociology and Urban Studies

Second program (major) courses should be chosen in accordance with major requirements outlined by the College of Liberal Arts' relevant Department; requirements can be found in this Undergraduate Bulletin.

Suggested Academic Plan

B.S.ED. in Secondary Education / Social Studies Education

Requirements for New Students starting in the 2022-2023 Academic Year

(Certain courses require that a student secure clearances as per the College of Education and Human Development policy; students should check the current list of courses that require clearances on the College of Education and Human Development web site.)

Year 1		Credit Hours
Fall		
ENG 0802, 0812, or 0902	Analytical Reading and Writing [GW] ³	4
	GenEd Quantitative Literacy Course [GQ] ³	4
	GenEd Breadth Course	3
	GenEd Breadth Course	3
	Second Program (Major) Course ¹	3
Term Credit Hours		17
Spring		
IH 0851 or 0951	Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life [GY] ³	3
	GenEd Breadth Course	3
EDUC 2103	Socio-cultural Foundations of Education in the United States ³	3
	Second Program (Major) Course ¹	3
	Select one of the following: ^{3,4}	4
EDUC 1016	Mathematics for Educators	
MATH 1021	College Algebra	
Term Credit Hours		16
Year 2		
Fall		
	GenEd Breadth Course	3
	GenEd Breadth Course	3
SPED 2231	Introduction to Special Education ^{2,3}	3
	Second Program (Major) Course ¹	3
	Second Program (Major) Course ¹	3
Term Credit Hours		15
Spring		
IH 0852 or 0952	Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good [GZ] ³	3

GenEd Breadth Course		3
EDUC 2109	Adolescent Development for Educators ^{2,3}	3
Second Program (Major) Course ¹		3
Second Program (Major) Course ¹		3
Term Credit Hours		15
Year 3		
Fall		
SPED 3211	Effective Instructional Strategies for Students with Disabilities	3
MGSE 3466	Methods and Materials in Secondary Social Studies	3
EDUC 2306	Assessment and Evaluation	3
Second Program (Major) Course ¹		3
Second Program (Major) Course ¹		3
Term Credit Hours		15
Spring		
TESL 3631	Principles and Practice for Teaching English Learners ²	3
EDUC 2296	Effective Teaching: Theory and Practice [WI]	3
MGSE 4465	Teaching for Understanding in Secondary Social Studies	3
MGSE 2111	Applications of Teaching and Learning Theories to Classroom Practice (grades 4-12)	3
Second Program (Major) Course ¹		3
Term Credit Hours		15
Year 4		
Fall		
MGSE 3796	Differentiated Literacy Instruction in the Disciplines (grades 7-12) [WI]	3
SPED 3187	Integrated Literacy and Special Education Practicum	3
Second Program (Major) Course ¹		3
Second Program (Major) Course ¹		3
Second Program (Major) Course ¹		3
Term Credit Hours		15
Spring		
MGSE 4888	Student Teaching in Grades 4-12	9
MGSE 4801	Senior Seminar and Performance Assessment in Grades 4-12 Education	3
SPED 4103	Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Support	3
Term Credit Hours		15
Total Credit Hours:		123

- ¹ Second Program (Major) course selection must be aligned with the degree requirements of the Bachelor of Arts degree as specified in the College of Liberal Arts degree requirements; courses should be selected so that the second major can be completed.
- ² Completion of 1) SPED 2231, 2) EDUC 2109 and 3) TESL 3631 constitute a waiver for the GenEd Human Behavior (GB) category if the courses are completed with a C- or better.
- ³ These courses must be completed with a C- or better to be eligible for Candidacy approval. Pre-Candidacy coursework includes a variety of courses, including a minimum of 1) two college-level math courses totaling at least six credits, 2) one college-level writing/composition course with a minimum of three credits (GenEd Analytical Reading and Writing), and 3) one literature course with a minimum of three credits (Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life, Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good, or an ENG (literature, but not children's literature) course). No 0700 or pre-college level course can count.
- ⁴ Students selecting MATH 1021 should do so in consultation with a CEHD academic advisor.