



Education Specialist Degree – Secondary Education (Reference #119)

Admission Requirements:

1. Must meet the minimum admission requirements of the Office of Graduate Studies.
2. Must have three years of teaching experience at the appropriate level. Up to two years of experience may be waived in favor of equivalent experience.
3. Must submit four letters of recommendation: Two from graduate faculty members and two from professional associates in administrative and/or supervisory roles.

Professional Education Component—30 hours

Professional Education Courses – 6 hrs

- ___ EDU 601 – 1 hr
- ___ EDU 604 – 3 hrs
- ___ EDU 698 – 2 hrs

Related Professional Education Courses – 6-12 hrs

- ___ EXED 516 or an approved elective may be substituted if an Exceptional Education course is on the student’s graduate or undergraduate transcript.
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ SEC 699 – 6 hrs

Related Specialization Courses – 12-18 hrs (Advisor approved graduate level, subject-related course work)

- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
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Emphases or Specializations

In place of “related non-professional education” and elective “related professional education courses,” students may substitute course work for endorsements in English as a Second Language, Gifted and Talented Education, Environmental Education, Educational Technology or other approved endorsements.

- ___ Course One (Name _____)
- ___ Course Two (Name _____)
- ___ Course Three (Name _____)
- ___ Course Four (Name _____)

Note: There is a limit of 6 hours of workshop and independent study credit that can be used on a Specialist Degree program. Only 3 of those 6 hours can be one credit hour courses. A total of 24 hours non-professional education courses are required for MAE and the Specialist Degree combined.

Program Completion Requirements:

1. Candidates must have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA.
2. Candidates must pass the education specialist project.
3. Candidates must successfully complete a portfolio based on Kentucky Teacher Standards.

Candidate’s Name (printed)

Education Advisor’s Signature/Date

Candidate’s Signature/Date

Specialization Advisor’s Signature/Date



Non-Degree Planned 6th Year Program – Secondary Education (Reference #124)

Admission Requirements:

This program requires 30 semester hours in addition to the requirements for a Planned 5th Year program or 60 semester hours including a master’s degree.

Professional Education Component—30 hours

Professional Education Courses – 6 hrs

- ___ EDU 601 – 1 hr
- ___ EDU 604 – 3 hrs
- ___ EDU 698 – 2 hrs

**Related Professional Education Courses – 6-12 hrs
(Advisor approved electives)**

___ EXED 516 or an approved elective may be substituted if an Exceptional Education course is on the student’s graduate or undergraduate transcript.

Secondary Education Major – 9 hrs

- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)

Secondary Education Minor – 3 hrs

- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)

Related Specialization Courses – 12-18 hrs (Advisor approved electives)

Secondary Education Minor – 12 hrs

- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)

Secondary Education Minor – 18 hrs

- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)
- ___ Approved Elective (Name _____)

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- ___ Course One (Name _____)
- ___ Course Two (Name _____)
- ___ Course Three (Name _____)
- ___ Course Four (Name _____)

Program Completion Requirements:

Candidates must successfully complete a portfolio based on Kentucky Teacher Standards.

Candidate’s Name (printed)

Education Advisor’s Signature/Date

Candidate’s Signature/Date

Specialization Advisor’s Signature/Date