

# EDUCATION: SECONDARY - MA

## Program Description

The Initial Licensure – Secondary option is designed for those with a B.A. or B.S. degree seeking to become licensed secondary (Grades 5–12) teachers of Communication Arts and Literature, Mathematics, or Social Studies. Chemistry and Life Science licensures are offered as grades 9-12. General Science Middle Level can be added as an endorsement to allow the individual to teach grades 5-12.

The program provides professional teacher preparation that qualifies students for a Minnesota teaching license as they earn a master's degree. Educational theory is integrated with classroom practice as well as extensive field experiences and a full semester student teaching experience.

The initial licensure program options are offered on the St. Paul campus in an evening/weekend/online format throughout the calendar year.

A number of the courses in the initial licensure options have prerequisites and most of the courses must be taken in sequence. After an evaluation of courses previously taken that may transfer and fulfill requirements, students work with an academic advisor to set up a schedule of classes.

To be licensed, students must pass the required Minnesota state licensure exams in addition to the required courses. Students should review the specific teacher licensure exam requirements with their advisor.

## Initial Licensure - Secondary (Grades 5–12) Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Prerequisite Courses</b>		
PSYC 1001	General Psychology with Lab	4
PSYC 2025	Lifespan Developmental Psychology	4
Total Credits		8

Code	Title	Credits
EDUC 5070	Teachers as Leaders for a Changing Society	4
EDUC 5090	General Methods: K-12 and Secondary	4
EDUC 5490	School Health and Chemical Health (online)	1
EDUC 7551	Literacy in the Content Areas: Secondary	2
EDUC 7650	Student Teaching Seminar	2
EDUC 7780	Advanced Secondary Methods	2
EDUC 7912	Student Teaching Secondary	12
Select one of the following based on specialty area:		2
EDUC 7750	Secondary Communication Arts and Literature Methods	
EDUC 7751	Secondary Mathematics Methods	
EDUC 7752	Secondary Science Methods	
EDUC 7753	Secondary Social Studies Methods	

### Plus the following Project Courses

EDUC 6600	Pathways to Equity Project	3
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EDUC 6750	Introduction to Educational Research	3
Total Credits		35

Secondary education (Grades 5–12) Initial Licensure students must also complete courses in one of the disciplines listed below. Students will design an individual program with their discipline field advisor in the content area to determine requirements for their discipline. The State of Minnesota does not license teachers in theology. Therefore, students who select theology must have an additional major to obtain a teaching license.

- Communication Arts and Literature
- Mathematics
- Social Studies

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