

SECONDARY EDUCATION (6-12)



Toward a Bachelor of Science Degree
Major: _____

Minimum 62 hours

Transfer Curriculum • Associate in Arts Degree • Minimum 2.0 OGPA • Major Code: DAA

This curriculum is designed for transfer to four year institutions for this major. Consult the website of the four year institution where you plan to transfer, regarding specific course needs, requirements and deadlines.

Illinois Teacher Certification areas for Secondary Education are: Language Arts (to teach English, Speech & Theater), Mathematics (to teach Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry & Calculus), Science (to teach Chemistry, Physics, Biology & Life Science) and Social Studies (to teach History, Government, Geography & Economics). Students may complete a "designation" to teach Advanced Placement (AP) courses in an area of Certification. See the Art, Music, Physical Education, Foreign Language, and Workforce Education & Development (Business, Computer, and other Vocational Teachers) Curriculum Guides for teacher certification in those areas.

FIRST YEAR

Fall Semester		Credit Hrs
ENG 121	Rhetoric & Composition I	3
PSYC 121	Intro Psychology	3
HIST 121	History of Western Civilization to 1648	3
MATH 144	Heart of Mathematics	4
EDUC 141	Introduction to Education	3
Total Hours		16

Spring Semester		Credit Hrs
ENG 122	Rhetoric & Composition II	3
COM 121	Principles of Speaking	3
ART 121 or MUS 121 or THTR 121	Art Appreciation or Music Appreciation or Theater Appreciation	3
GOVT 121	American Government	3
HYG 121	Science of Personal Health	3
Total Hours		15

SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester		Credit Hrs
ENG 245 or ENG 246	World Literature Modern Literature	3
EDUC 228	Diversity in Schools & Society	3
BIOL 121	Introductory Biology	4
MAJOR ELECTIVE (See Below)		3/4
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Total Hours		16/18

Spring Semester		Credit Hrs
HIST 242	American History II	3
PHYS 121 or CHEM 123	Basic Physics Basic Inorg/Org Chemistry	4
PHIL 121	Intro to Philosophy	3
EDUC 241	Educational Psychology	3
HIST 122	History of Western Civilization from 1648	3
Total Hours		16

The bolded classes on this curriculum guide indicate the minimum a student must complete in order to receive an Associate degree. See advisor for specific transfer information.

This curriculum is designed specifically for students transferring to an Illinois College or University for a four-year degree in Secondary Education. An additional Middle Grade Endorsement is required to teach grades 6-8. **STUDENTS TRANSFERRING TO A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY OUT-OF-STATE**, see a counselor for out-of-state Teacher Education Requirements.

ALL EDUCATION MAJORS should apply to the four-year college or university up to one year before they plan to attend. (For example: a student should apply during the fall semester before they plan to attend the next fall semester) and take the Illinois Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) the fall semester of their sophomore year.

ALL EDUCATION MAJORS TRANSFERRING TO ILLINOIS SCHOOLS

- Must earn a C or better in all courses in their major, endorsement area(s), and all Education courses
- Must accrue 12 or more hours at the 300 or 400 level at a four-year institution.
- Must pass the Illinois **Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP)** (formerly the Illinois BASIC SKILLS TEST) or use the **SAT or ACT** before acceptance into the Teacher Education Program. Register to take the TAP at: www.icts.nesinc.com. Register to take the ACT at <http://www.actstudent.org>. Register to take the SAT at <http://sat.collegeboard.org/home>. The **ACT plus writing** with a score of 22 or higher (with a 19 or higher combined English/Writing before 9/1/15 or writing minimum of 16 after 9/1/15) or the SAT with a score of 1030 or higher (critical reading & mathematics with a minimum of 450 in writing before 3/5/16) or 1110 or higher (evidence-based Reading and Writing + Mathematics with a minimum score of 26 on Writing and Language after 3/5/16) may be used in lieu of the TAP if completed within the past ten years. (Students will also need to create an account on ELIS (Educator Licensure Information System) at www.isbe.net/ELIS/default.htm and send official test scores to the Illinois State Board of Education)
- Must pass the Content Test before student teaching. The Assessment of Professional Teaching (APT) must be passed before finishing an approved program.
- A background check is required before observing any early childhood program and/or school. Students may not enter any school or ECE program until the Coordinator of Education and Early Childhood Education has a Background Check on file.
- Must research the Teacher Education Program Entrance Requirements for the college or university where he/she plans to obtain his/her Bachelor of Science Degree for any additional requirements.

The Coordinator of Education and Early Childhood Education will provide information on when and where the Illinois Teacher Licensure exams are given.

Career Opportunities:

Middle School Teacher, High School Teacher.

Major Employers:

Public School Systems, Private Schools, State Government Institutions.