





# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE in MIDDLE GRADES

122 - 128 Credits

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## Bachelor of Science in Middle Grades PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET



A member of the NCATE accredited School of Education; the Middle Grades Education Program is approved by the NC State Department of Public Instruction to offer a license in middle grades education and approved by the UNC Board of Governors to offer the BS degree. The Bachelor of Science degree program in Middle Grades Education is designed to prepare facilitators of learning to work with students in grades 6-9. In order to accomplish the objectives of this degree program, the curricular offerings includes the following: 45 hours of the University College Core Curriculum, and 77 hours of academic program requirements are needed to complete the degree. Students should see the Chairperson of the Department of Middle Grades, Secondary, and Special Education for further information regarding specific coursework requirements and to create a plan of study.

### Admission Requirements

#### To the Department

Students entering the department of Middle Grades, Secondary, and Special Education (MGSS) must complete a Declaration of Major Form to receive departmental advisement and be assigned an advisor in the major.

#### To Teacher Education

*Applicants must meet the following in order to be admitted to Teacher Education:*

- Complete all courses in the University College Core Curriculum;
- Complete EDUC 211 with a grade of C or higher;
- Pass Praxis I with a minimum composite score of 522;
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher;
- Earn a grade of C or higher in all education courses;
- Complete Admission to Teacher Education Application Form;
- Complete a Security Background Check;
- Complete the Clearance Form (Health and Department Status); and
- Complete the Teacher Internship Intent Form

Note – Student must be admitted to teacher education one full semester prior to student teaching

#### To Student Teaching

*Students must meet the following to be admitted to Student Teaching:*

- Have an official audit after 90 hours;

- Must have been admitted to Teacher Education;
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher;
- Earn a grade of C or higher in all education courses;
- Complete Admission To Student Teaching Application Form; and
- Apply for graduation after 90 hours of course work in major.

Note - Student must be admitted to Student Teaching a semester prior to the actual experience

## Program Requirements

University College Core Curriculum (45 hours)

### Professional Education Courses (24 hours)

EDUC 210	Computers in Education	3 credits
EDUC 211*	Laboratory Experiences in Area Schools	2 credits
EDUC 310	Foundations of Education	3 credits
EDUC 330	Educational Psychology and Measurement	3 credits
EDUC 340	Human Development	3 credits
EDUC 450+	Classroom Management	3 credits
EDUC 470+	Student Teaching in the Middle Grades	6 credits
EDUC 490+	Professional Education Seminar	1 credits

\* To be taken in the sophomore year.

+Student may not take course until admitted formally to Teacher Education by Teacher Education Committee.

### Middle Grades Education Major Core (18 hours)

EDMG 400+	The Middle School	3 credits
ENGL 301	Adolescent Literature	3 credits
READ 320+	Teaching Reading in the Content Area	3 credits
SPED 320	Education of the Exceptional Child	3 credits

### Second Academic Concentration (36 hours)

#### Choose two methods courses depending upon Second Academic Concentration Options

EDMG 433+	Methods and Materials of Teaching Mathematics in the Middle Grades	3 credits
EDMG 461+	Methods and Materials of Teaching Language Arts in the Middle Grades	3 credits
EDMG 462+	Methods and Materials of Teaching Social Science in the Middle Grades	3 credits
EDMG 463+	Methods and Materials of Teaching Science in the Middle Grades	3 credits

### Total program credit requirements: 122-129 credits

+Student may not take course until admitted formally to Teacher Education by Teacher Education Committee

### Exit Requirements

Students must meet the following to complete the Middle Grades education program:

- Successfully complete student teaching;
- Submit a portfolio for review;
- Earn a satisfactory rating on the Student Teaching Exit Criteria;
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or better with a grade of C or better in each education course; and
- Submit graduation application and fees.

### Licensure Requirements:

Students seeking licensure must submit the following to the Office of Teacher Education:

- Application for a NC Teaching License;
- Processing fee payable to NCDPI; and
- Official degree-dated transcript.

*“The preparation of knowledgeable, reflective, and caring school executives and teachers who demonstrate leadership in their schools and classrooms, use research to inform practice, communicate effectively with all students and parents, and work diligently to prepare students to live and work in a diverse, global, and technologically advanced society.”*