

Secondary Education B.A.

Program Requirements

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Minimum Requirements for Secondary Education Degree: 121 credits

Students must earn a C grade or better in each course.

	Credits
General University Requirements	
Complete the general university requirements. (https://catalog.uaf.edu/bachelors/#gurbachelorsdegreestext)	
General Education Requirements	
Complete the general education requirements. (https://catalog.uaf.edu/bachelors/#generaleducationrequirementsstext)	35-40
B.A. Degree Requirements	
Complete the B.A. degree requirements. (https://catalog.uaf.edu/bachelors/#bachelorofartstext)	37
Secondary Education Program Requirements	
Complete the following:	
EDSC F110 Becoming a Middle/High School Teacher	1
EDSC F205 Introduction to Secondary Education	3
or EDSC F415 Foundations of Modern Educational Practice	
EDSC F407 Developing Literacy in the Content Areas	3
EDSC F458 Classroom Organization and Management	3
Complete one of the following:	3
EDSE F316 Introduction to Special Education for Elementary Classroom Teachers	
EDSE F422 Curriculum, Management and Strategies II: High Incidence	
EDSE F482 Inclusive Classrooms for All Children	
Professional Internship Year with Integrated Coursework	
Complete one of the following:	3
EDSC F432 English/Language Arts Secondary Instruction and Assessment	
EDSC F433 Mathematics Secondary Instruction and Assessment	
EDSC F434 Science Secondary Instruction and Assessment	
EDSC F435 Social Studies Secondary Instruction and Assessment	
EDSC F436 Art Secondary Instruction and Assessment	
EDSC F437 World Language Secondary Instruction and Assessment	
Complete the following:	
EDSC F442 Technology Applications in Education I	1
EDSC F443 Technology Application in Education II	2
EDSC F457 Multicultural Education and School-community Relations	3

EDSC F471	Secondary and Art K-12 Teaching: School Internship I and Seminar ²	3
EDSC F472	Secondary Teaching: School Internship II and Seminar ²	6-9

Content Area

Complete requirements for a major in content area: art, biology, English, foreign language (French, German or Spanish), history, mathematics or political science. The B.A. degree will be awarded with a double major, one in the content area discipline and one in secondary education.	10-18 elective credits shared
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Total Credits	121
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¹ Candidates must take the section or course that corresponds with their major teaching content area.

² Completion of both EDSC F471 and EDSC F472 fulfills the baccalaureate capstone requirement.

Admission Requirements

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Complete the following admission requirements:

Submit your undergraduate application electronically (<https://uaf.edu/admissions/apply/>) to the UAF Office of Admissions. A professional student teaching internship application has to be turned in to the secondary program before student teaching (last year before graduation).

Professional Student Teaching Internship:

In the last year before graduation, student teaching internships begin in August or January on the date when teachers return to school (this varies across districts). Since internship placements are arranged with principals and mentor teachers in the spring, all materials necessary for determining admission to the internship should be submitted by March 1.

Faculty in the School of Education consider multiple criteria in making valid and reliable judgments about each applicant's knowledge, skills, and professional characteristics prior to approval for the yearlong internship in a classroom with secondary children. A criminal background check is necessary to work in schools. Declaring a B.A. major in secondary education does not guarantee admission to the professional internship year.

Students must submit the following information before the student teaching internship year to the School of Education by March 1:

1. Copies of transcripts from all institutions attended. Evidence of plan of completion of all B.A. degree in secondary education degree courses and completion of the majority of the content major requirements by Aug. 1 (except for those required in the professional internship year), with a minimum of a 2.75 overall GPA.
2. Three current letters of reference that address qualifications and potential as a teacher.
3. A personal statement of 500 words addressing motivation to enter the teaching profession, self-assessed qualifications to teach, and experiences which have prepared the candidate for teaching.
4. Passing scores on an Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (<http://education.alaska.gov/TeacherCertification/praxis.html>)-approved basic competency exam (BCE)

5. Passing scores on the Praxis II test for each content area the applicant expects to teach. The scores must meet the score set by the State of Alaska (<https://education.alaska.gov/TeacherCertification/>). World language applicants may need an oral proficiency test as required by EED.

Other Information:

Secondary faculty as part of the admission process will interview applicants.

Roadmaps

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Roadmaps provide suggested semester-by-semester study plans for programs and are based on full-time enrollment, unless otherwise specified.

- This roadmap should be used in conjunction with regular academic advising sessions. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor or mentor each semester.
- Certain courses and milestones must be completed in the specified semester to ensure on-time graduation.
- Transfer credits may affect the roadmap.
- Requirements, course availability, and sequencing may change.
- Courses marked with (*) are recommended.

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
EDSC F110 ²⁰	1 General Education Requirement - Communication	3
WRTG F111X ¹	3 General Education Requirement - Arts	3
General Education Requirement - Social Sciences	3 General Education Requirement - Natural Sciences	4
General Education Requirement - Social Sciences	3 Degree Requirement - Social Sciences ⁸	3
General Education Requirement - Mathematics	3 Program Elective - Content Area Course	3
Program Elective - Content Area Course	3	
	16	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
General Education Requirement - Communication	3 LS F101X ¹⁵	1
General Education Requirement - Humanities	3 Degree Requirement - Humanities	3
General Education Requirement - Natural Sciences	4 Degree Requirement - Humanities	3
Program Elective - Content Area Course	3 Degree Requirement - Social Sciences	3

Complete one of the following:²⁰

EDSC F205	3 Degree Requirement - Humanities or Social Sciences	3
EDSC F415 (*)	Program Elective - Content Area Course	3

Third Year	16	16
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
EDSC F407 ^{20,25}	3 Degree Requirement - Humanities or Social Sciences	3
General Education Requirement - Additional Arts, Humanities or Social Sciences	3 Program Elective - Content Area Course	3
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Program Elective - Content Area Course ²⁵	3 Program Elective - Content Area Course	3
Program Elective - Content Area Course ²⁵	3 Program Elective - Content Area Course ²⁵	3
Apply for Internship	Complete one of the following: ^{20,25}	3
	EDSE F316	
	EDSE F422 (*)	
	EDSE F482	
	15	18

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
EDSC F442 ^{20,25}	1 EDSC F443	2
EDSC F458 ^{20,25}	3 EDSC F457	3
EDSC F471 ^{20,21,25}	3 EDSC F472	6
Degree Requirement - Ethics ²⁵	3	
Program Elective - Integrated Course ²⁵	3	
	13	11

Total Credits 121

Footnote Definitions

General Education Requirements	Degree Requirements	Program & Other Requirements
1—Communication	8—Alaska Native-themed	20—Program Requirement
2—Arts	9—Communication	21—Capstone Requirement
3—Humanities	10—Computation	22—Concentration Course
4—Social Sciences	11—Ethics	23—General Elective
5—Additional Arts, Humanities or Social Sciences	12—Humanities	24—Minor Course
6—Mathematics	13—Human Relations	25—Upper Division
7—Natural Sciences	14—Humanities or Social Sciences	26—Program Elective

15—Library & Information Research
16—Mathematics
17—Natural Sciences
18—Other
19—Social Sciences

Learning Outcomes

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Program Learning Outcomes are specific, measurable statements that define the knowledge and skills students will gain by the end of the program.

Graduates of this program will be able to:

- Demonstrate effective communication skills
- Demonstrate disciplinary content knowledge
- Demonstrate pedagogical knowledge (ability to effectively teach)
- Demonstrate positive impact on student learning
- Demonstrate professional dispositions aligned with the teaching profession
- Demonstrate evidence of effectiveness in the workplace