

SECONDARY EDUCATION: COMMUNICATION ARTS BA/BS

The Secondary Teacher Education program prepares teacher candidates for certification in grades 6-12. It requires 28 credits of Education coursework in professional foundations and studies and 13 credits during internship. Students apply for admission to the program after successfully completing nine credits of Education coursework in professional foundations. During the course of the studies, candidates may be asked to reapply to the program if their GPA falls below 3.0 in general coursework and 3.0 in their selected content area(s) of endorsement. There are separate degree requirements for each major and minor endorsement area.

Secondary Teaching Certificates (6-12) are endorsed in content areas by demonstrating proficiency in the Idaho Core Teaching Standards and any standards specific to their discipline area(s). All certificates require a minimum of 30 semester credits for a major endorsement area and 20 semester credits for a minor endorsement area, or a minimum of 45 semester credits for a single endorsement area. The following LC State areas are approved for teaching field majors: Biology; Chemistry; Communication Arts with a Speech and Debate emphasis; Earth Science; English; Kinesiology-Physical Education K-12 and Health 6-12; Mathematics; Natural Sciences; Psychology; and Social Science with a History emphasis (see degree requirements for each major). For marketability purposes, students are encouraged to pursue endorsements and minors in a second teaching field; consult with an advisor for the proper procedure. Secondary Education majors must have a content area advisor and an Education advisor.

Graduates from other colleges or universities seeking secondary teacher certification must fulfill all Secondary Education professional coursework requirements in addition to meeting all academic major or minor teaching field requirements for subject area endorsement.

Students in the Secondary Education Certification program are expected to provide evidence through performance that they have met Idaho's requirements for certification before being recommended for secondary teacher certification. Including passing the required Praxis (<https://praxis.ets.org/state-requirements/idaho-tests.html>) for the content area.

Advising

Secondary Teacher Education candidates must have two advisors: one for their academic major and one for teacher certification.

Program Outcomes

1. The program completer understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.
2. The program completer uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.
3. The program completer works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self motivation.
4. The program completer understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.
5. The program completer understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.
6. The program completer understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.
7. The program completer plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.
8. The program completer understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.
9. The program completer engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
10. The program completer seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
11. The program completer should be able to distinguish between each of the federally recognized tribes with respect to the retention of their ancestral lands in Idaho: Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, New Perce Tribe, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, and the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes. Program completers build capacity in learners to utilize the assets that each learner brings to the learning community based on their backgrounds and experiences.
12. The program completer understands the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators and its place in supporting the integrity of the profession.
13. The program completer knows how to use digital technology to create lessons and facilitate instruction and assessment in face-to-face, blended, and online learning environments to engage students and enhance learning.

14. The program completer understands the importance of automatic word recognition, reading fluency, reading comprehension, and motivation to read; the impact of vocabulary knowledge in oral and written language comprehension; and factors that contribute to deep listening and reading comprehension.
15. The program completer understands the benefit of incorporating writing in the content areas
16. The program completer understands how reading and writing difficulties vary in presentation and degree.

General Education Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Written Communication		
Select one of the following:		6.00
ENGL-101 & ENGL-102	WRITING AND RHETORIC I and WRITING AND RHETORIC II	
ENGL-109	COLLEGE WRITING AND RESEARCH	
Oral Communication		
COMM-204	PUBLIC SPEAKING	3.00
Mathematical Ways of Knowing		
Select one of the following:		3.00-5.00
CS-108 or CITPT-108	INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE	
MATH-123	MATH IN MODERN SOCIETY	
MATH-140	ALGEBRAIC REASONING AND PROBLEM-SOLVING	
MATH-143	PRECALCULUS I: ALGEBRA	
MATH-147	PRECALCULUS	
MATH-153	STATISTICAL REASONING	
MATH-170	CALCULUS I	
MATH-253	STATISTICAL METHODS FOR THE SCIENCES	
MATH-257	MATHEMATICS FOR ELEMENTARY TEACHERS II	
MTHPT-130	FINITE MATHEMATICS	
MTHPT-137	MATH FOR TECHNOLOGY	
MTHPT-153	STATISTICAL REASONING	
Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing		
Select one course from two categories:		6.00-7.00
Literature		
ENGL-175	LITERATURE AND IDEAS	
ENGL-257	WORLD CLASSICS	
ENGL-258	INTERNATIONAL LITERATURE	
ENGL-260	NATIVE AMERICAN LITERATURE	
ENGL-261	MYTHOLOGIES	
Arts		
ART-100	INTRODUCTION TO ART	
HUM-101	THE ART AND HISTORY OF THE MOTION PICTURE	
HUM-150	INTRODUCTION TO THE ARTS	
MUS-101	SURVEY OF MUSIC	
MUS-102	MUSIC IN AMERICA	
MUS-150	WORLD MUSIC	
MUS-151	HISTORY OF MUSICAL THEATER	
MUS-152	HISTORY OF JAZZ AND POPULAR MUSIC STYLES	
THEA-101	SURVEY OF THE THEATER	
Language		
NP-101	NEZ PERCE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE	
NP-102	NEZ PERCE LANGUAGE AND HISTORY	
SPAN-101	ELEMENTARY SPANISH I	
SPAN-102	ELEMENTARY SPANISH II	

Scientific Ways of Knowing

Select one course from two disciplines; one lab 7.00-8.00

BIOF-100	INTRODUCTION TO BIOINFORMATICS
BIOL-100	CONCEPTS OF BIOLOGY
BIOL-120	PLANTS AND PEOPLE
BIOL-123	BIOLOGY IN FILM
BIOL-175	HUMAN BIOLOGY
BIOL-227	HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I
CHEM-100	CONCEPTS OF CHEMISTRY
CHEM-105	GENERAL, ORGANIC AND BIOCHEMISTRY
CHEM-111	PRINCIPLES OF CHEMISTRY I
ENGR-108	SEMICONDUCTORS, SCIENCE, AND SOCIETY
FSCI-101	INTRODUCTION TO FORENSIC SCIENCE
GEOL-101	PHYSICAL GEOLOGY
GEOL-120	INTRODUCTION TO EARTH SYSTEMS
GIS-271	GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS
ID-160	WATER AND ENERGY
ID-240	INTEGRATED SCIENCE II
NS-140	INTEGRATED SCIENCE I
NS-150	INTRODUCTION TO NATURAL SCIENCES ¹
NS-174	NATURAL SCIENCE FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATOR
PHYS-111	GENERAL PHYSICS I
or PHYS-112	GENERAL PHYSICS II
PHYS-171	PHYS SCIENCES FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATORS
PHYS-205	DESCRIPTIVE ASTRONOMY
PHYS-211	PHYSICS FOR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS I

Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing

PSYC-205 LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY 3.00

Select one from the following: 3.00

ANTH-102	CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY
ANTH-120	WORLD PREHISTORY
ANTH-170	INTRODUCTION TO NATIVE AMERICAN STUDIES
ECON-201	PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS
ECON-202	PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS
GEOG-102	INTRODUCTION TO GEOGRAPHY
HIST-101	WORLD HISTORY I
HIST-102	WORLD HISTORY II
HIST-111	UNITED STATES HISTORY I
HIST-112	UNITED STATES HISTORY II
HRPT-184	DIVERSITY IN ORGANIZATIONS
HRPT-185	HUMAN RELATIONS IN ORGANIZATIONS
POLS-101	AMERICAN NATIONAL GOVERNMENT
POLS-237	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS
POLS-285	COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT
SOC-101	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY
SOC-102	SOCIAL PROBLEMS
SS-184	DIVERSITY IN ORGANIZATIONS
SS-185	HUMAN RELATIONS IN ORGANIZATIONS

Global Perspectives

Select one of the following: 4.00

NP-101	NEZ PERCE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
SPAN-101	ELEMENTARY SPANISH I

Integrative Seminar: Ethics & Values

Select one of the following:	3.00
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ID 300A - 300Z (see course descriptions for options)
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ID-301A	HELLS CANYON INSTITUTE
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Foreign/Heritage Language

Select 16 credits of language if selecting Bachelor of Arts Degree	16.00
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Total Credits	38.00-42.00
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Program Requirements

Secondary certification candidates must meet the graduation requirements for their major and the Secondary Teacher Education Program and must have two advisors. (see below)

Code	Title	Credits
Major Requirements		
COMM-202	INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION	3.00
COMM-203	SMALL GROUP COMMUNICATION	3.00
COMM-205	LOGIC AND ARGUMENTATION	3.00
COMM-291	WORKSHOP IN COMMUNICATIONS	3.00
COMM-301	MEDIA RELATIONS	3.00
COMM-304	ADVANCED PUBLIC SPEAKING	3.00
COMM-320	PERSUASION	3.00
COMM-380	ETHICAL ISSUES IN COMMUNICATION	3.00
COMM-384	COMMUNICATION THEORY	3.00
COMM-420	RESTORATIVE COMMUNICATION	3.00
COMM-499	RESEARCH PROJECT AND SEMINAR IN COMMUNICATIONS	3.00
Selectives		
Select three courses from COMM or THEA Arts ¹		9.00
Secondary Education Certificate		
See Secondary Education Certificate Requirements below		
Total Credits		42.00

¹ See Catalog section "Teacher Education Division: Secondary Teacher Certification" regarding certification requirements for this major. Selective course choices could be affected.

Secondary Education Certificate Requirements

Application for admission to the Teacher Education Program is required after successful completion of the first three Phase I courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Phase I - Professional Foundations of Education		
ED-214	PRINCIPLES OF EDUCATION ¹	3.00
ED-225	TECHNOLOGIES FOR TEACHING, K-12	3.00
ED-318	ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING ¹	3.00
ED-321	EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY ¹	3.00
ED-345	CULTURALLY RELEVANT TEACHING	3.00
SE-322	INCLUSION STRATEGIES K-12 (may be taken in Phase I or Phase II)	3.00
Phase II - Professional Studies in Education		
ED-445	INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT, 6-12	3.00
ED-447	TEACHING METHODS IN THE CONTENT AREA	2.00
RE-309	DISCIPLINARY LITERACY	3.00
Phase III - Instructional Methods in Education		
ED-452	INTERNSHIP SEMINAR	1.00

ED-460	PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP IN EDUCATION 6-12	12.00
Total Credits		39.00

¹ Additional requirements must be met for teacher certification. See your Teacher Education Division advisor for details.

No grade lower than a "C-" will be accepted in any General Education core, Content Major, or 200-level Professional Foundations course. No grade lower than a "B-" will be accepted in any 300- or 400-level education courses in the Secondary Education Program.

A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 is required for admission into the Secondary Teacher Education Program. Candidates must also maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA in their content area classes.

Sequential Plan of Study

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall		
COMM-204	PUBLIC SPEAKING	3.00
CORE	Scientific Ways of Knowing	3.00
ENGL-101	WRITING AND RHETORIC I	3.00
PSYC-205	LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY	3.00
SPAN-101 or NP-101	ELEMENTARY SPANISH I or NEZ PERCE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE	4.00
Credits		16.00
Spring		
COMM-202	INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION	3.00
CORE	Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing	3.00
CORE	Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing	3.00
ENGL-102	WRITING AND RHETORIC II	3.00
Credits		12.00
Second Year		
Fall		
COMM-203	SMALL GROUP COMMUNICATION	3.00
COMM-205	LOGIC AND ARGUMENTATION	3.00
COMM-291	WORKSHOP IN COMMUNICATIONS	3.00
CORE	Mathematical Ways of Knowing	3.00-5.00
Program Requirement	Select COMM or THEA course	3.00
Credits		15.00-17.00
Spring		
CORE	Integrative Seminar: Ethics & Values	3.00
CORE	Scientific Ways of Knowing	4.00
CORE	Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing	3.00
Program Requirement	Select COMM or THEA course	3.00
Credits		13.00
Third Year		
Fall		
COMM-320	PERSUASION	3.00
COMM-384	COMMUNICATION THEORY	3.00
COMM-420	RESTORATIVE COMMUNICATION	3.00
Program Requirement	Select COMM or THEA course	3.00
Credits		12.00
Spring		
COMM-301	MEDIA RELATIONS	3.00
COMM-304	ADVANCED PUBLIC SPEAKING	3.00
COMM-380	ETHICAL ISSUES IN COMMUNICATION	3.00

COMM-499	RESEARCH PROJECT AND SEMINAR IN COMMUNICATIONS	3.00
Credits		12.00
Total Credits		80.00-82.00

Secondary Education Certificate Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall		
ED-214	PRINCIPLES OF EDUCATION	3.00
ED-225	TECHNOLOGIES FOR TEACHING, K-12	3.00
ED-318	ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING	3.00
ED-321	EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY	3.00
ED-345	CULTURALLY RELEVANT TEACHING	3.00
Credits		15.00
Spring		
ED-445	INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT, 6-12	3.00
ED-447	TEACHING METHODS IN THE CONTENT AREA	2.00
RE-309	DISCIPLINARY LITERACY	3.00
SE-322	INCLUSION STRATEGIES K-12	3.00
Credits		11.00
Second Year		
Fall		
ED-452	INTERNSHIP SEMINAR	1.00
ED-461	PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP IN EDUCATION K-12	12.00
Credits		13.00
Total Credits		39.00

Graduates with a BA/BA in Communication Arts: Secondary Education go on to obtain careers in a variety of fields:

- Secondary Language Arts/English Teacher (6-12)
- Adult and Continuing Education
- Training Specialist
- Business and Industry
- Instructional Coach
- Media