

Alternative Fifth-Year Secondary Education Program

■ About Our Program

The Alternative Fifth-Year Secondary Education Program is for those who have earned a bachelor's degree in Biology, Chemistry, English/Language Arts, family and consumer science, general science, history, mathematics, or social science and seek to obtain a Master's degree and advanced certification (Class A). This certification will allow graduates to teach at the high school level (grades 6-12).

■ Admission Requirements

Students with Bachelor's degrees in other areas may complete pre-requisites in order to become eligible for this program. Contact the Graduate Office (665-6350) for more information.

Phase I - Pre-Professional Study/Pre-Master's Study

- MAT score of at least 388 or GRE score of at least 850
- Formal, written application for graduate study (including all official transcripts for undergraduate and graduate work)
- 2.5 GPA on all undergraduate and graduate work attempted
- 2.5 in all teaching field courses, with at least a C in all courses
- Completion of general studies component: at least one course with a grade of at least C in each of the areas of humanities, social sciences, mathematics, and sciences
- Completion of bachelor's degree from regionally accredited college/university
- Completion of computer literacy course or its equivalent
- Fingerprint background clearance from ALSDE.

Phase II - Professional Study/Formal Master's Study

- Successful completion of the Alabama Prospective Teachers Test (APTT)
- 2.75 GPA on Phase I coursework and 3.0 on teaching field coursework
- Successful completion of team interview
- Unconditional admission to graduate study
- Successful completion of Phase I expectations

Phase III - Continued Professional Study

- Successful completion of the PRAXIS II exam
- Eligibility for internship & TB screening
- 3.0 GPA on all program coursework completed, professional and teaching field
- Successful completion of Phase II and Management (ED 518) expectations

Students may take up to 12 hours of graduate teaching field courses prior to Phase I as non-degree seeking students as long as the 3.0 cumulative GPA average is maintained.

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■ Completion Requirements

In addition to meeting the above requirements, students must complete a LiveText online portfolio. Other departmental requirements may exist. Please check with your advisor.

■ Course Overview (9-12 hours per phase)

Phase One (Pre-Professional/Pre-Master's)

- ED 502: Intro. to Teaching at the Secondary Level (3)
- ED 507: Exceptional Learners/P-12/Secondary Programs (3)
- ED 512: Reading & Writing in Secondary Content Areas (3)
- Teaching Field* (3) Suggested

Phase Two (Continuing Professional)

- ED 550: Managing & Teaching Across Sec. Curriculum (3)
- ED 553: Current Issues in Technology (1)
- EDF 562: Measurement & Evaluation/Sec. Education (3)
- Teaching Field* (3-6) and/or ED 518

Phase Three (Internship Semester)

Available Fall or Spring ONLY

- ED 590: Advanced Seminar in Secondary Education (3)
- EDI 540: Internship in High School Teaching (6) or EDI 590: Internship in P-12 Teaching (3-10)

Additional Classes

- EDF 505: Introduction to Social & Multicultural Education (1) [May & Summer II terms]
- ED 518: Adv. Management & Organization for Secondary Education (2) [Summer II & Fall terms]
- ED 536-539: Teaching at Secondary Level (1) [May term only]
- ED 563: Teaching the Non-Traditional Learner (1) [May term only]
- Teaching Field* (6) Suggested

** Students must take 12 graduate (500 level) hours in their teaching field.*

■ For Additional Information

If you would like to learn more about earning a degree in this program, please contact us.

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