B.S. IN EDUCATION - MIDDLE GRADES PREPARATION GRADES 4-8

College of Education and Social Work

Curriculum

General Education Requirements (http://catalog.wcupa.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements)

- English Composition requirements 6
- Mathematics requirement 3
  - MAT 101
- Public Speaking requirement 3
- Science Requirements 6
  - Fulfilled by required science content
- Behavioral & Social Science requirements 6
  - GEO 101 and PSC 100
- Humanities requirements 6
  - LIT 220 must be one of the Humanities courses
- Arts requirement 3
- Diverse Communities requirement 3
  - ENG 382 or LAN 382
- Interdisciplinary requirement 3
  - ESS 102, SCB 102 or SCB 210
- Student Electives 9
  - Nine credits of general education electives are required for graduation.
  - Students wishing to graduate earning 123 credits and be eligible for grades 4-8 certification must utilize their electives to complete their chosen area(s) of concentration.

Writing Emphasis requirements 9

Major Requirements

- EDP 200 Middle Grades Cognition 3
- EDP 201 Young Adolescent/Adolescent Development and Learning Theories 3
- EDA 103 Foundations of Special Education 3
- MGP 220 Field Experience: Middle Level Environment 3
- EDR 345 Literacy Development and Students in Inclusive Classrooms 3
- MGP 335 Teaching Social Studies in Middle Grades 3
- SCE 330 Science Methods for Middle Level (4-8) 3
- EDA 303 Special Ed: Processes/Procedures for General Educators 2
- EDM 349 Technology Tools to Transform Teaching and Learning 1
- EDP 354 Assessment for Learning: Middle Grades 3
- MGP 410 Student Teaching 6
- MGP 411 Student Teaching 6

Related/Cognate Requirements

Students wishing to obtain certification to teach in grades 4-8 must complete a minimum of 12 credit hours of related course work in each of four academic content areas: mathematics, reading/language arts, science, and social studies. Students must complete a total of 30 credits of concentrated course work in one of the four areas or 21 credits of concentrated course work in two of the four areas. Students choosing two, 21-credit concentrations must include math or science as one of the two areas. Related credits are applied toward the concentrations. See the department's degree guidance sheet for courses in the 21- and 30-credit options. Students are encouraged to choose their concentration(s) based on their area(s) of interest for teaching grades 7 and 8.

Math
- MAT 101 Mathematics for Teachers of Children I 3
- MAT 102 Mathematics for Teachers of Children II 3

Math
- MAT 351 Methods for Teaching Children Math 3
- MAT 353 Methods for Teaching Middle School Mathematics
- MAT 352 Methods for Teaching Children Mathematics II

Reading/Language Arts
- EDR 306 Teaching Language Arts 4-8 3
- EDR 308 Foundations in Reading 4-8 3
- EDR 318 Reading Instruction and Practicum 4-8 6

Science
- Students must complete 3 courses from the listing below: Students concentrating in science should consult with their advisor regarding courses to select for access to upper level science courses.
  - ESS 101 Introduction to Geology 3
  - BOC 110 General Biology 3
  - BOC 100 Basic Biological Science 3
  - CHE 107 & CRL 107 4
  - CHE 103 & CRL 103 4
  - PHY 130 General Physics I 4
  - SCI 101 The Carbon Cycle 3
  - SCI 102 Electricity With Physical And Bio Applic

Social Studies
- GEO 101 World Geography 3
- HIS 344 History of Pennsylvania 3
- HIS 150 The American Experience 3
- HIS 151 History of the United States I 3
- PSC 100 U.S. Government and Politics 3

Total Minimum Credits Required 123

1 Choose MAT 353 if concentrating in mathematics.
2 Choose SCI 101 if concentrating in science.
3 Choose HIS 151 if concentrating in social studies.

Sample Course Plan

To track their individual degree progress, students are advised to access their Degree Progress Report (DPR) via myWCU regularly. For more information, visit wcupa.edu/DegreeProgressReport.