

Teacher Education • College of Education

About the Program

Overview

The Madonna University elementary and secondary teacher preparation programs are approved by the Michigan Department of Education and accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. The University recommends students for both Provisional (initial) certification and the Professional Education certificate, as well as for additional endorsements to existing certificates. The University also recommends students for the Interim Occupational Certificate (formally called the Temporary Vocational Authorization) to teach in a State-reimbursed vocational classroom, grades 9-12.

Program Specifics

Elementary teaching certificates can be earned in the following majors: General Science, Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies and Spanish. Secondary teaching certificates can be earned in the following majors: Biology, Chemistry, Communication Arts, English, Family and Consumer Sciences, History, Integrated Science, Mathematics, Music Education (K-12), Social Studies, Spanish, and Visual Arts Education (K-12).

Minors can be earned in some of the majors listed above and these additional subjects: Journalism, Physics, Political Science, and Speech.

An interim occupational certificate can be earned in the following areas: Automobile Technician, Child and Custodial Care Services, Construction Trades, Cosmetology, Criminal Justice, Drafting and Design Technology, Family and Consumer Sciences, Fire Science, Graphics Communication, Nursing Occupations, Personal and Culinary Services, and Radio and Television Broadcasting Technology.

Professional Education Sequence

The Professional Education sequence consists of the following courses:

EDU 2000 Introduction to Professional Education Experiences	3 s.h.
EDU 3120 Educational Psychology	4 s.h.
EDU 3210 Theory and Principles of Reading Instruction (<i>elem</i>)	3 s.h.
EDU 3300 The Exceptional Learner in the Classroom	3 s.h.
EDU 3460 Instructional Media	2 s.h.
EDU 4220 Reading in the Content Areas (<i>elem</i>)	3 s.h.
EDU 4250 Literacy Education in the Secondary School	4 s.h.
EDU 4400 Behavior Management in the Classroom	2 s.h.
Theory & Techniques of Instruction - (<i>See Bulletin for alternative course numbers</i>)	4 s.h.
Directed Teaching - (<i>See Bulletin for alternate course numbers</i>)	8 s.h.
EDU 4800 Foundations of Educ.	3 s.h.
EDU 4810 Seminar: Directed Teaching	<u>1 s.h.</u> 36 s.h.

Frequently Asked Questions

What teaching certificates can be earned through Madonna?

Michigan Elementary Provisional certificates valid for teaching all subjects K-5 and one's major (and minor, if completed) in grades 6-8. Michigan Secondary Provisional certificates valid for teaching one's major and minor in grades 6-12.

What are the course requirements for a teaching certificate?

The total program for the bachelor degree and provisional teaching certificate consists of:

General Education	53 semester hrs
Teaching major	30-45 s.h.
Teaching minor*	20-28 s.h.
Professional education sequence	36 s.h.

With planning, some courses to fulfill general education requirements may also meet requirements for the major or minor.

*Teaching minors: for candidates for secondary teaching certificates, the minor is a second academic subject, as listed under "Program Specifics." For elementary candidates, the minor is limited to choosing between the elementary curriculum minor and the early childhood education minor.

ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM MINOR

MTH 2330 Learning and Teaching Number Concepts	3 s.h.
MTH 2340 Learning and Teaching Geometric & Statist. Conc.	3 s.h.
ENG 3000 Children's Literature and Drama	4 s.h.
SSC 3070 Social Studies Found.	3 s.h.
MUS 3090 Music for the Classroom Teacher	2 s.h.
ART 3160 Art for the Elementary Teacher	2 s.h.
EDU 3350 Language Arts & Linguistics Foundations	3 s.h.
NSC 3730 Science Foundations I: Chemistry and Life Science	4 s.h.
NSC 3740 Science Foundations II: Physics, Earth Science, Astronomy	<u>4 s.h.</u> 28 s.h.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MINOR

CD 2160 Child Development and Guidance	4 s.h.
CD 2650 The Role of Content in Early Childhood: Art, Music, Play, Movement, Science, Math	4 s.h.
CD 3100 Language Development and Language Arts	3 s.h.
CD 3580 Developing Curriculum for the Preschool Child	3 s.h.
CD 3930 Curriculum Practicum	2 s.h.
CD 4130 Parents and Teachers, Partners in Education	3 s.h.
CD 4160 Assessing Children's Behavior	2 s.h.
CD 4700 Dir. Tch.: Early Child.	3 s.h.
CD 4810 Dir. Tch. Seminar: Early Childhood	1 s.h.

Required Support Courses (see Elementary Curriculum Minor):

MTH 2330, 2340, ENG 3000, SSC 3070, MUS 3090, ART 3160, NSC 3730, 3740	<u>25 s.h.</u>
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Total	49 s.h.
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What if I have credits from another college? Or have been in another major?

Students transferring a significant number of hours from another program should have their records reviewed by an education advisor to determine the most advantageous program options.

What if I already have a bachelor degree?

Prospective teachers must have a certifiable major and either an academic minor (for secondary candidates) or one of the two elementary minors (for elementary candidates), as well as the professional education sequence. Students will need a review of their transcripts by an advisor to determine what previous work can be used toward certification.

Are there other requirements of the program?

Candidates for teacher certification must take Basic Skills Tests during the semester of enrollment in EDU 2000, and must apply for admission to the teacher education program.

Why is the teaching certificate called provisional?

Michigan Provisional Certificates are valid for 6 years. To earn a Professional Education Certificate, a teacher must teach at least 3 years with satisfactory ratings and complete an additional 18 semester hours of work in an approved planned program. Madonna University has a variety of planned programs for teachers.

Can I talk to an advisor about my program?

Students in the teacher education program have both an education advisor and an advisor in their majors. Education advising appointments can be made by calling (734) 432-5655. Students should contact the specific department to meet with an advisor in their major.

Program Admission

Students planning to pursue a program in teacher education take the following steps:

- Declare intention of preparing for the profession of teaching either on the elementary or secondary level at the time of application to the University.
- Apply for admission to the teacher education program during the semester of enrollment in EDU 2000 (the third or fourth semester for full-time students).
- Meet the following criteria for admission to and retention in the program:
 1. 2.75 or higher grade point average, both cumulative and in the major,
 2. 3 semester hours of EDU 2000 with a grade of C or better;
 3. proficiency in use of communication skills, as well as other skills related to general education content, to be established through both the Michigan Basic Skills Test and the Teacher Education Program Basic Skills Tests, as well as other measures;
 4. two recommendations (one from faculty member in the major) testifying to personal integrity, emotional stability, and social and academic competence.

Applications for admission to the teacher education program are reviewed and approved by the Teacher Education Committee.

Transfer students will be evaluated on an individual basis but must complete a minimum of 20 semester hours at Madonna University before being recommended for initial certification.

Career Options

Career opportunities at various educational levels, including elementary, middle, secondary, and vocational. The Teacher Education program has graduates working in public and private K-12 schools throughout Michigan, and in many other states, as well.