

Graduate Certificate in Secondary Teaching

Empowering the student through knowledge, preparation, and ethics

The graduate certificate in secondary teaching is designed for individuals who have earned a bachelor's degree in one of the following areas and wish to qualify for teacher licensure through the Utah State Board of Education (USBE).

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| <i>Art and Design</i> | <i>Business/Marketing</i> | <i>Earth Science</i> | <i>History/Social Studies</i> | <i>Physical Education</i> | <i>Spanish</i> |
| <i>ASL and Deaf Studies</i> | <i>Chemistry</i> | <i>English</i> | <i>Math</i> | <i>Physics</i> | <i>Special Education</i> |
| <i>Biology</i> | <i>Dance</i> | <i>Health</i> | <i>Music</i> | <i>Secondary French</i> | <i>Theater</i> |

Students who complete the graduate certificate in secondary teaching at UVU may continue graduate coursework to earn a Master of Education degree (MEd) with an emphasis in secondary teaching.

Please note: Applicants must have completed a USBE-approved education methods course in their content area prior to their student teaching in secondary education.

Graduate Certificate Overview

- 29 credits of coursework
- Three-semester program designed with summer and evening coursework
(Students enrolled in this program must be available during the day to complete practicum hours and student teaching in local schools.)
- The 18 emphasis credits earned in the graduate certificate program can be applied toward an M.Ed. in secondary teaching from UVU
(Students who choose to pursue their master's degree will be required to complete an additional 12 credit hours of master's-level coursework.)

Application Deadlines

Application Opens: **OCT 9**

Priority Deadline: **FEB 2**

Application Deadline: **APR 5**

APPLY HERE:

www.uvu.edu/admissions

(Program begins summer semester.)



Admission Requirements

- Verification of a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution in a recognized content area (or equivalent coursework) for which UVU can recommend a secondary teaching license Refer to schools.utah.gov/licensing/endorsements to determine if you have the USBE content area courses required for a secondary teaching endorsement.
- A grade of C or higher for all coursework required by the USBE for a content area major
- A cumulative minimum GPA of 3.0 or a GPA of 3.0 for the last 60 credits of university coursework
- Passing scores from the Praxis II subject area test(s)
- If you earn your teaching license in the same area you received your bachelor's degree, you do not need to meet this requirement.
- A successful background check through the USBE
- Three professional references who will provide recommendations through the application portal
- A successful interview with the School of Education Graduate Committee
- Submission of complete graduate application and admissions essay

Continuance and MEd in Secondary Teaching Graduation Requirements

- Complete all 30 MEd program hours
 - 21 UVU graduate certificate credits
 - 9 additional M.Ed. credits
- Complete all courses with a grade of B- or higher
- Maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Successfully complete a graduate project that is accepted by the School of Education Graduate Committee
- Complete courses and project requirements within five years

Graduate Certificate Course Map

| | Course Number | Course Name | Credits |
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| Summer Semester 1 | EDUC 6311 | Introduction to Exceptional Students | 3 |
| | EDUC 6320 | 21st Century Instruction & Assessment | 3 |
| | EDUC 6663 | Content Area Reading | 3 |
| Fall Semester 1 | EDUC 6082 | Equitable Technology Integration for Practitioners | 3 |
| | EDUC 6202 | Classroom Management Practicum | 3 |
| | EDUC 6330 | Diversity & Differentiation in the Classroom | 3 |
| Spring Semester 1 | EDUC 6201 | Teacher Performance Assessment Project | 2 |
| | EDUC 6203 | Student Teaching Graduate Licensure | 6 |
| | EDUC 6300 | Curriculum Design | 3 |

Master of Education in Secondary Teaching Course Map

| | Course Number | Course Name | Credits |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------|
| Summer Semester 2 | EDUC 6100 | Research Methodology | 3 |
| | EDUC 6110 | Applied Statistics for Education | 3 |
| | EDUC 6490 | Master's Project | 3 |

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