

Grand Valley State University
CLAS Academic Advising Center

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616-331-8585

Graduate Teacher Certification Planned Program
English - Secondary Certification

Student Name:

Date:

Email Address:

G#:

Transfer

Institution(s):

Key: ✓ - Completed or In Progress W - Waived Highlighted - Still Needs to be Completed

English Major – Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Completed	Scheduled	Grade	Quality Points
ENG 215	Foundations of Literary Study: Genre	3				
ENG 216	Foundations of Literary Study: Critical Approaches	3				
ENG 261	Foundations of Language Study	3				
ENG 310	Teaching Writing: Secondary	3				
ENG 311	Teaching Literature to Adolescents	3				
ENG 313	British Literature: Shakespeare	3				
ENG 495	Capstone – Language and Literature	3				
	Electives (18 credits)*					
	Choose one from Category A – American Literature					
ENG 225	American Literature I: to 1860	3				
ENG 226	American Literature II: from 1860	3				
ENG/AAA 231	Early African American Literature	3				
ENG/AAA 232	Modern African American Literature	3				
ENG 325	American Literature to 1800	3				
ENG 326	19 th Century American Literature	3				
ENG 327	Modern American Literature	3				
ENG 328	Contemporary American Literature	3				
ENG 334	American Multicultural Literature for Children & Young Adults	3				
ENG 335	Literature of American Minorities	3				
ENG 381	Regional Discourses in U.S. Civil Rights	3				
	AND Choose one course from Category B (British Literature) in addition to ENG 313-Shakespeare					
ENG 220	British Literature I	3				
ENG 221	British Literature II	3				
ENG 321	British Literature: Medieval	3				
ENG 322	British Literature: Renaissance	3				
ENG 323	British Literature: 18 th Century - Romantic	3				
ENG 324	British Literature: Victorian - Present	3				

	AND Choose one course from category C (International Literature)					
ENG 204	Mythology	3				
ENG 303	Studies in World Literature	3				
ENG 304	International Literature for Children & Young Adults	3				
ENG 375	Studies in Comparative Literature	3				
ENG 378	Contemporary Latin American Literature	3				
ENG 385	Writing & Revolution in the Americas	3				
	AND choose one course from Category E (Approaches to Language)					
ENG 362	History of the English Language	3				
ENG 363	Applied Linguistics	3				
ENG 364	Sociolinguistics	3				
ENG 365	Teaching English as a Second Language	3				
ENG 366	English Grammar Usage	3				
ENG 390	Topics in Language & Rhetoric	3				
ENG 392	Language and Power	3				
ENG/WGS 461	Language and Gender	3				
ENG 465	L2 Reading and Writing	3				
ENG 467	Language Disorders & English Literacy	3				
ENG 469	ESL Teaching Practicum	3				
	AND choose two additional ENG courses from any category above (A,B,C, or E) or from category D below					
ENG ____		3				
ENG ____		3				

Total Credits needed: 39 required

Cumulative GPA: (3.0 GPA required for GTC program)

Special Considerations:

Category D: Approaches to Literature	
ENG 236 Intro to Writing by Women	ENG 382 Literature and the Environment
ENG 320 Studies in Poetry	ENG 383 "Make It New": Literary Modernism
ENG 330 Studies in Fiction	ENG 384 Literary Responses to War and Peace
ENG 336 Lesbian, Gay, and Queer Literature	ENG 386 Literary Responses to Death and Dying
ENG/AAA 337 Contemporary Black Literature	ENG 436 Women and Literature
ENG 340 Studies in Drama	ENG 440 Studies in Major Author(s)
ENG 360 Studies in Non-Fiction	ENG 445 Studies in Literary Criticism and Theory
ENG 380 Topics in Literature	

Notes:

Substitutions, Equivalencies, and Waivers Approved by:

Date:

Prepared by:

Date:

Academic Departmental Approval (pending completion of highlighted requirements):

Date:

Clarification on Second Degree Requirements:

This planned program includes the content area courses required to be eligible to apply for the Graduate Teacher Certification Program or obtain a Teaching Endorsement. It does not reflect the requirements necessary to obtain a second bachelor's degree from Grand Valley State University. A second bachelor's degree is **not necessary** to gain admission to the GTC program or obtain additional certification endorsements.

If you are interested in pursuing an additional undergraduate bachelor's degree, it will require more courses beyond those needed for the content areas. Please contact the CLAS Academic Advising Center if you are interested in this information.

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Next Steps:

- 1. If you have not already done so, you must attend a Graduate Teacher Certification workshop sponsored by the College of Education. You can schedule a time to attend by calling their Student Information and Services Center at 616-331-6650.**
- 2. Be prepared to provide any additional course materials, such as a syllabus or course description, especially for out of state classes and courses completed more than 10 years ago. This will help the academic departments when finalizing course evaluations and planned programs.**
- 3. Contact the CLAS Academic Advising Center at 616-331-8585 to schedule an appointment if you need help registering.**
- 4. Prior to admission to the program, you should schedule an appointment with the Graduate Teacher Certification Coordinator in the College of Education. You can schedule that appointment by calling 616-331-6650.**

Graduate Teacher Certification. Candidates who already possess an approved baccalaureate degree may consider certification at either the undergraduate or graduate level. Because of the need for careful assessment in choosing the appropriate program, students should first contact the Student Information and Services Center to request background materials and register to attend one of the regularly scheduled information meetings. Candidates considering the graduate program must be able to undertake full-time study for approximately one calendar year. This program is offered partially online or fully online. See program advisor for program details.

Minimum admission requirements for the graduate certification program include:

1. Completion of the baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution at least one year prior to application with a GPA of 3.0 or higher for the final 60 semester credits.
2. Possession of completion of a teachable major with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Secondary candidates must also possess or complete a teachable minor before final certification.
3. Successful completion of Professional Readiness Exam (PRE). Michigan law requires students to pass the PRE test prior to Student Teaching placement.
4. Successful completion of Michigan Subject Area Test in teachable major.
5. Documentation of 25 hours age-appropriate experience with children or youth.
6. Signed statement regarding criminal activity.
7. Completion of EDT 619 Curricular Integration of Ed Technology (for elementary teachers only). Secondary take EDT 627 Technology Integration for Secondary Teachers.
8. Admission to graduate studies.
9. Completion of application materials for graduate teacher certification program.
10. Elementary candidates must complete PED 265 Teaching Health in Elementary Schools and PED 266 Move-Dance-Learn! PE and Dance for Elementary Education.

Note: Students seeking a major in world languages must pass the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) prior to their student teaching semester.

Exit Requirements

Candidates will be eligible for Michigan Provisional Certification after completion of the following:

1. Successful completion of all coursework.
2. G.P.A. of 3.0 in the major, minor and professional requirements.
3. Passing scores on the Michigan Subject Area Tests (MTTC). Elementary candidates must pass the Elementary Test; if they also pass subject area tests in their approved major, these will also be added to their certificate. Secondary candidates must pass subject area tests in their major and minor.
4. Completion of CPR (Adult/Child) Instruction and First Aid (Standard or Basic).
5. Updated criminal background information if any changes since original application for admission to the College of Education, contact the GTC Coordinator to confirm the change(s) are on file in the Student Information and Services Center.

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