

# Secondary Education

## Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education

UAB's state-approved Secondary Education program prepares candidates to teach in grades 6–12 in English Language Arts and General Social Studies. Candidates may earn certification in Mathematics and Science through the UABTeach program. Please find additional information in the UABTeach section of the undergraduate catalog.

The Secondary Education program is grounded in research-based practices and emphasizes both deep content knowledge and effective instructional strategies tailored to adolescent learners. Candidates engage in structured coursework and extensive clinical experiences in a variety of middle and high school settings, where they learn to design engaging lessons, assess student learning, manage classrooms effectively, and support the academic and social development of all students.

To be eligible for certification through UAB's program, candidates must meet several key requirements outlined by the Alabama State Department of Education. These requirements include maintaining an overall GPA of 2.50 in all coursework as well as a 2.50 in teaching field and in professional studies courses. Candidates may not earn a grade below a C in any professional studies course.

Additionally, all candidates must obtain background clearance through the Alabama State Department of Education, which includes fingerprinting and a criminal history background check conducted by the Alabama Bureau of Investigation (ABI) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Candidates must also pass all required state assessments and successfully complete a full-time internship in a secondary classroom. Upon completion of these requirements, UAB will recommend candidates for initial certification to teach in Alabama's secondary education settings.

## Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education with a Concentration in English

Leads to Class B Alabama Professional Educator Certification in Secondary English Language Arts

Requirements	Hours
<b>Blazer Core Curriculum Requirements</b> <sup>1</sup>	<b>41</b>
As part of the Blazer Core take the following:	
EDU 100 Touch the Future	
EH 101 English Composition I <sup>2</sup>	
or EH 106 Introduction to Freshman Writing I	
EH 102 English Composition II <sup>2</sup>	
or EH 107 Introduction to Freshman Writing II	
MA 105 Pre-Calculus Algebra	
or MA 110 Finite Mathematics	
Reasoning	
CMST 101 Public Speaking <sup>3</sup>	
EH 212 Forms of Literature	
THR 100 Introduction to the Theatre <sup>4</sup>	
Scientific Inquiry	
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PY 101 Introduction to Psychology <sup>5</sup>	

EH 213	Ideas in Literature	
CHHS 141	Lifelong Health & Wellness	
or GEO 101	Intro to Geography	
Additional Teaching Field Related Courses		6
CMST 103	History of Mass Media	
CMST 210	Media Writing	
<b>Professional Studies</b>		
EDU 200	Education as a Profession	3
EDF 362	Foundations of Education I: Social, Historical, Philosophical	3
EPR 363	Foundations of Education II: Psychological	3
ECY 300	Survey of Special Education	3
<b>Secondary Education Courses (requires TEP admission)</b>		
EHS 436	Methods I: English Language Arts 6-12	3
EHS 466	Methods II: Language Arts 6-12	3
EHS 497	Teaching and Learning in Diverse Classrooms	3
EHS 456	Classroom Management in Secondary Schools	3
EDR 442	Reading in Content Areas	3
EPR 411	Measurement and Evaluation in Education	3
<b>Internship</b> <sup>6</sup>		
EHS 490	Secondary School Student Teaching I	6
EHS 489	Internship Seminar in Secondary Education	1
<b>English Literature Major Courses</b> <sup>7</sup>		<b>31</b>
<b>English Electives</b>		
EDR 441	Literature for Adolescents	3
or EH 419	Young Adult Literature	
Advisor-approved 400-level English(EH) elective		3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>121</b>

A minimum of 120 hours are required for graduation. Students may need to take general electives to reach the credit hour requirement. Elective hours may vary based on course selection.

- See Blazer Core section for full list of requirements and elective options.
- Fulfills Blazer Core Academic Foundations: Freshman Writing requirement.
- Fulfills Blazer Core Communication in the Modern World requirement.
- Fulfills Blazer Core Thinking Broadly: The Creative Arts requirement.
- Fulfills Blazer Core Thinking Broadly: Humans and their Societies requirement.
- Internship courses must be taken AFTER admission to TEP.
- Students pursuing Class B certification in English Language Arts (6-12) must declare a second academic major in English Literature that includes a minimum of 30 credit hours in the teaching field. Of the 30 credit hours in the teaching field, at least 18 must be at the 300- or 400-level and coursework must include literature, grammar, reading skills, writing, speech, drama/theatre, and print or broadcast journalism.

## Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education with a Concentration in General Social Science

Leads to Class B Alabama Professional Educator Certification in General Social Studies

Requirements	Hours
<b>Blazer Core Curriculum Requirements</b> <sup>1</sup>	<b>41</b>
As part of the Blazer Core take the following:	

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EH 101	English Composition I <sup>2</sup>
or EH 106	Introduction to Freshman Writing I
EH 102	English Composition II <sup>2</sup>
or EH 107	Introduction to Freshman Writing II
MA 105	Pre-Calculus Algebra
or MA 110	Finite Mathematics
Reasoning	
CMST 101	Public Speaking <sup>3</sup>
HY 101	Western Civilization I <sup>4</sup>
HY 102	Western Civilization II <sup>4</sup>
PY 101	Introduction to Psychology <sup>5</sup>
Creative Arts	
Scientific Inquiry: Natural Sciences with Lab	
Scientific Inquiry: Natural Sciences with Lab	
GEO 101	Intro to Geography

**Additional Teaching Field Related Courses**

**Foundations & Professional Studies**

HY 120	The United States To 1877	3
HY 121	The United States Since 1877	3
SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology	3
PSC 101	Foundations of American Government	3
EC 210	Principles of Microeconomics	3
GEO 491	Environmental Policy	3

Professional Studies Courses

EDU 200	Education as a Profession	3
EDF 362	Foundations of Education I: Social, Historical, Philosophical	3
EPR 363	Foundations of Education II: Psychological	3
ECY 300	Survey of Special Education	3

**Secondary Education Courses (Requires admission to TEP)**

EHS 438	Methods I: Social Science 6-12	3
EHS 468	Methods II: Social Science 6-12	3
EPR 411	Measurement and Evaluation in Education	3
EHS 456	Classroom Management in Secondary Schools	3
EHS 497	Teaching and Learning in Diverse Classrooms	3
EDR 442	Reading in Content Areas	3

**Internship <sup>6</sup>**

EHS 490	Secondary School Student Teaching I	6
EHS 489	Internship Seminar in Secondary Education	1

**History Major Courses <sup>7</sup>**

HY 225	History of Alabama	3
HY 271	Traditional East Asian History and Culture	3
or HY 476	Japan to the 19th Century	
or HY 477	Modern Japan	
HY 497	History Capstone	3
History Electives <sup>8</sup>		15

**Total Hours 120**

A minimum of 120 hours are required for graduation. Students may need to take general electives to reach the credit hour requirement. Elective hours may vary based on course selection.

**You should confer with advisors in Education and CAS about specific history requirements. Students seeking teacher certification may have more specific requirements than non-certification students.**

<sup>1</sup> See the Blazer Core section of the catalog for specific requirements and elective course options.

<sup>2</sup> Fulfills Blazer Core Academic Foundations: Freshman Writing requirement.

<sup>3</sup> Fulfills Blazer Core Academic Foundations: Communication in the Modern World requirement.

<sup>4</sup> Fulfills Blazer Core Thinking Broadly: History and Meaning requirement.

<sup>5</sup> Fulfills Blazer Core Thinking Broadly: Humans and their Societies requirement.

<sup>6</sup> Internship courses must be taken AFTER admission to TEP

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<sup>8</sup> Select five courses in History (HY) including two at the 300-level or above and three at the 400-level.