

Certificate

Secondary Education Professional Studies Certificate

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Admission

1. Degree seeking graduate-level students admitted to the certificate program must have an earned baccalaureate degree from a regionally-accredited institution or an equivalent degree from a foreign institution.
2. Non-degree-seeking students may take a maximum of 12 credit hours prior to seeking admission.
3. Those whose native language is not English must submit a minimum score of 230 on the computer-based TOEFL or 80 on TOEFL iBT.

Curriculum Requirements

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The professional studies certificate will be comprised of the following courses. All of these courses are currently taught at ODU as part of the MSED in Secondary Education.

**Required Courses (12 hours)*

READ 680	Literacy Across the Curriculum	3
SPED 613	Human Growth and Development	3
TLED 608	Foundations of Education and Instructional Assessment	3
TLED 640	The Management of Learning and Instruction	3
Total Credit Hours		12

*Additional course work might be necessary to fully meet teacher licensure requirements

Additional Requirements

Course Delivery Format

The courses are all currently available in both traditional face-to-face and web-based formats. This certificate will be available in both formats.