

# MIDDLE LEVEL EDUCATION, B.A./B.S.

Teach 5th through 8th grade.

Impact the lives of young adolescent learners.

### **THE PROGRAM**

You will gain the knowledge and skills to support the educational and developmental needs of young adolescent learners and become a highly effective teacher in grades 5-8. Your studies will include middle level teaching and management, the governing principles of middle school, and the inclusion of students with mild disabilities. You will have field experiences and internships throughout the program in diverse middle school settings, where you will work alongside award-winning faculty and experienced classroom teachers.

State reciprocity and our national accreditation make it easy to become certified in most states. Our graduates are also well-prepared to enroll in master's degree programs during their first years of teaching.

# **CONTENT SPECIALIZATIONS**

You will be prepared to teach in two middle level content areas of your choice that may include English, mathematics, science or social studies. Your specializations will determine whether you graduate with a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science, and upon graduation you can seek certification in both areas.

Having two specializations will enable you to effectively engage in interdisciplinary teaching and increase your marketability as you begin your teaching career.

# **ACCREDITATION**

All educator preparation programs at the University of South Carolina are accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).



# **TYPICAL PROGRAM FOR**

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### **FRESHMAN**

#### Fall

Reading and Composition

Analytical Reasoning and Problem Solving

Aesthetics and Interpretive Understanding

History

Elective (Typically UNIV 101)

#### **Spring**

Issues and Trends in Teaching and Learning\*

**Rhetoric and Composition** 

Social Science Course

Analytical Reasoning and Problem Solving

Science Course with Lab

# **SOPHOMORE**

#### Fall

Schools in Communities

Science Course

Additional required Carolina Core Course

Content Specialization (2 courses)

#### **Spring**

Learners and the Diversity of Learning

Additional Literature, History or Science course

Content Specialization (3 courses)

# **JUNIOR**

#### Fall

Foundations in Reading for Young Adolescents Content Specialization (4 courses)

#### **Spring**

Middle Level Content Area Reading and Writing

Middle Level Teaching and Management\*

Introduction to Inclusion of Students with Mild Disabilities

Content Specialization (3 courses)

## **SENIOR**

#### Fall

Integrated Curriculum at the Middle Level\*

Middle Level Teaching Methods 1\*

Middle Level Teaching Methods 2\*

Classroom Assessment

Middle Level Internship A\*

#### Spring

Internship Seminar

Middle Level Internship B\*

\*Indicates courses with experiences in a middle school setting.

#### **South Carolina Teacher Loan**

SC Residents might be eligible for the South Carolina Teacher Loan. Visit www.scstudentloan.org for more information.

