

SECONDARY EDUCATION - 5th-YEAR PROGRAM

Teach 9th through 12th grade. Complete your bachelor's and master's degree.

THE PROGRAM

You will gain the professional education knowledge and skills necessary to be a highly effective teacher in grades 9-12. Earning two degrees- a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science and then a one-year Master of Teaching (M.T.) degree- will prepare you to teach high school English, mathematics, science, or social studies.

While completing your undergraduate degree in a major specific to the subject you plan to teach, you will take 12 - 18 hours in foundational education courses and have field experiences in high school classroom settings. The bachelor's degree in your teaching area provides strong content preparation. Your two degrees will provide multiple career options, and your yearly salary as a first-year teacher will be approximately \$4,500 higher in many states because of your master's degree.

ACCELERATE YOUR PROGRAM

Most students complete the program in 5 years; however, depending on the AP/IB/Dual Enrollment courses you took in high school, you may be able to complete the bachelor's and master's degrees in 4 years. Summer courses could be required. Talk with an advisor to determine if this is an option for you.

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 SECONDARY EDUCATION

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE

YEAR 1

• Start taking courses toward the Carolina Core, major, and other program requirements

YEAR 2

- Continue taking courses toward the Carolina Core, major, and other program requirements
- EDFI 300 Schools In Communities
- EDPY 401 Learners and the Diversity of Learning

YEAR 3

- Continue taking courses toward the Carolina Core, major, and other program requirements
- EDSE 502 Teachers and Teaching
- EDFI 361 to complete the minor (optional)

YEAR 4

- Finish all courses for the Carolina Core, major, and other program requirements
- EDSE 500 Equity and Community Engagement
- EDLP 317 to complete the minor (optional)

Your advisor will assist you in determining all requirements needed for your degree and content specialization.

Your Undergraduate Major

Select a major specific to the subject you want to teach: **English** - major in English **Social studies** - major in history, political science, sociology, or psychology

Mathematics - major in mathematics or statistics

Science - major in biology, chemistry, or physics

ONE-YEAR MASTER OF TEACHING

By completing the admission process for the Master of Teaching during your last year as an undergraduate, you may begin taking graduate courses the summer after you graduate with your bachelor's degree. You must meet admission requirements, including a minimum 2.75 undergraduate GPA.

Summer

Literacy Instruction Course 1 Teaching Methods Course 1 Teaching Methods Course 2

Fall

Literacy Instruction Course 2 Teaching Methods Course 3 Graduate Level Content Course Internship I and Seminar

Spring

Internship II and Seminar

Federal TEACH Grant and the SC Teacher Loan Program

As a secondary education student, you may qualify for the Federal TEACH grant. Visit studentaid.ed.gov for more information. South Carolina residents may be eligible for the South Carolina Teacher Loan. Visit www.scstudentloan.org for more information.

