

Middle Grades Education-English/Language Arts
Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) Degree Requirements
39 Graduate Credit Hours

PHASE I. Graduate Certificate in Teaching for Middle Grades Education-English/Language Arts
 Effective Fall 2010

Requirements (18 hours)

All courses in PHASE I and acceptance to the MAT program must be completed before beginning PHASE 2

	Semester	Grade
MDSK 6162: Planning for K-12 Instruction (3)	_____	_____
MDLG 5130: The Middle Grades Experience (3)	_____	_____
READ 5255: Integrating Reading and Writing in the Content Areas (3)	_____	_____
EDUC 5100: Diverse Learners (3)	_____	_____
ENGL 5254: Teaching English/Communications to Middle / Secondary School Learners (3)	_____	_____
<u>Final Course in this phase:</u>		
MDSK 6470: Graduate Student Teaching and Internship (formerly MDSK 6161) (3) *This final course is a full time internship requiring employment as an English teacher in an approved middle school or a non-paid placement with a licensed English teacher in a public middle school. It requires application and approval during the semester prior to the internship.		
Plus any deficiency courses in English/Language Arts required for Standard Professional 1 Licensure: See background requirements below.		
<i>Praxis II Specialty Area exams passed-applies to lateral entry teachers _____ (date)</i>		
<i>Application for Standard Professional I license filed in TEAL Office _____ (date)</i>		

PHASE 2: Completion of the MAT Degree

Requirements (21 hrs)

Prerequisites to begin this phase: Completion of Phase I and acceptance into the MAT

RSCH 6101: Research Methods (3)	_____	_____
MDLG 6225: Issues in Middle Grades Education (3)	_____	_____
MDSK 6220: Adolescence and Learning (3)	_____	_____
XXXX xxxx: Three hours in Graduate content courses (3)	_____	_____
ENGL 6274: Contexts and Issues in the Teaching of English (3)	_____	_____
<u>Final Courses in Phase II</u>		
MDSK 6260: Teacher Leadership (3)	_____	_____
MDSK 6691: Seminar in Professional Development (3)	_____	_____
<i>Application for candidacy filed with the Graduate School _____ (date)</i>		
<i>Application for graduation filed with the Graduate School _____ (date)</i>		
<i>Report of project/portfolio sent to the Graduate School _____ (date)</i>		
<i>Application for "M" license filed in TEAL Office _____ (date)</i>		

Background Requirements 8 Key Courses			
Candidates should have at least a bachelor's degree with a major or equivalent (24 hours) in English and courses in the competency areas below. Candidates with a major in English may satisfy any background deficiencies through graduate courses or undergraduate courses in English. Candidates with degrees in other fields will build to the equivalent of an English major with undergraduate coursework. The GPA for background requirements must be at least a 2.5, and no courses may be presented for licensure with grades lower than a C.			
Requirements (24 hours)			
Content	Suggested Courses	Semester	Grade
Writing	<i>Any ENGL writing course at 2000 level or above, e.g., ENGL 2100</i>		
Grammar or Linguistics	<i>An ENGL course focused on grammar, e.g., ENGL 3132: Introduction to Contemporary American English ENGL 4161: Modern English Grammar ENGL 4405: Literacy and Language</i> OR <i>An ENGL linguistics or language structure course, e.g., ENGL 4263: Linguistics and Language Learning</i>		
Adolescent Literature	<i>An ENGL course focused on adolescent literature, e.g., ENGL 3104: Literature for Adolescents</i> OR <i>A variety of literature courses which included the study of literature appropriate for young adolescents</i>		
Survey Literature	<i>Three literature survey courses at the 2000 level or above, one structural overview course, one in American literature, and one in British literature. One of the literature courses must have multicultural or minority content and one must focus on the study of poetry, fiction, or drama.</i> <u>Required</u> ENGL 3100: Approaches to Literature <u>American Literature Recommendations</u> • Multicultural: ENGL 2104, 2301, 3157, 3300 • Poetry/Fiction/Drama: ENGL 4103, 4150, 4151 <u>British Literature Recommendations</u> • Multicultural: ENGL 2301 • Poetry/Fiction/Drama: ENGL 2103, 2105, 2108, 4102, 4123		
Heritage / Multicultural Literature	<i>An ENGL course focused on heritage or multicultural literature, e.g., ENGL 4104: Multiculturalism and Children's Literature</i>		
Additional course to meet 24 hour requirement			

- Note—Some deficiency courses may have prerequisites—check course descriptions in the online catalog.