

**BACHELOR OF ARTS PROGRAM LEADING TO DUAL CERTIFICATION IN SOCIAL STUDIES  
SECONDARY EDUCATION AND SPECIAL EDUCATION (Gr.K-12)**

*2025-2026 Degree Requirements*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CREDITS FOR DEGREE: 138**

**UNIVERSITY CORE CURRICULUM: 42 credits**

**Required Fundamental Courses:**

COMM 101	Oral Comm. & Pres.	3 credits	
ENGL 101	College Composition	3 credits	
UNIV 101	City-University Life	3 credits	
Senior Capstone	<b>EDUC 432</b>	3 credits	<b>(Student Teaching Seminar)</b>

**Choose Thematic Core courses in the following:**

Explore the World - Choice 1	<b>HIST 201</b>	3 credits	<b>(West. Civilization to 16th Century)</b>
Explore the World - Choice 2	<b>HIST 202</b>	3 credits	<b>(West. Civilization since 16th Cent.)</b>
Investigate Science		3 credits	
Investigate Mathematics	<b>MATH 150</b>	3 credits	<b>(Mathematical Problem Solving)</b>
* Interpret Creative Works		3 credits	
Understand People - Choice 1	<b>EDUC 220</b>	3 credits	<b>(Family and Community Diversity)</b>
Understand People - Choice 2	<b>EDUC 228</b>	3 credits	<b>(Educational Psychology)</b>
Succeed in Business	<b>ECON 202</b>	3 credits	<b>(Principles of Microeconomics)</b>
Appreciate & Apply the Arts		3 credits	
Discover Technology	<b>EDUC 101</b>	3 credits	<b>(Technological Literacy)</b>

\*Interpret Creative Works class must be a literature course.

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 96 cr.**

MATH Math Elective (3)  
ECON 201 Macroeconomics (3)  
ECON 421 International Economics (3)  
HIST 203 History of U.S. I (3)  
HIST 204 History of U.S. II (3)  
HIST 382 History of Pennsylvania (3)  
POLS 102 American Natl Govt (3)  
POLS 205 World Geography (3)  
POLS 335 American Foreign Policy **OR**  
POLS 372 International Relations (3)  
POLS 402 Constitutional Law (3)  
PSYC 313 Social Psychology (3)  
INES 175 Intro to International Studies (3)  
GCS 225 Anthropology of Belief **OR**  
POLS 290 Human Rights (3)  
EDUC 150 Intro to Teaching Profession (3)  
EDUC 222 Assess & Adapt (3)

EDUC 250 Work w/Eng Lang Learn (3)  
EDUC 321 Lit & Learn in Midd/Sec (3)  
EDUC 415 Teaching in Secondary (3)  
EDUC 422 Data Driven Instruction (3)  
EDUC 425 Student Teaching Pract (12)  
SPED 180 Special Ed&Inclusive Prac (3)  
SPED 220 Instr/Assist Tech (3)  
SPED 280 Positive Behav Int/Supp (3)  
SPED 281 High Inced Dis (3)  
SPED 282 Low Inced Dis (3)  
SPED 380 Diff Inst Prac Incl Clssrm (3)  
SPED 381 Secondary Transitions (3)  
SPED 382 Autism Spectrum Dis. (3)  
SPED 481 In Read/Write/Math Sped (3)

**TESTS FOR CERTIFICATION:**

**Check PDE Test Requirements:**

<https://www.pa.gov/agencies/education/programs-and-services/educators/certification/certification-testing.html>

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**PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

**Upon successful completion of this program, a student will be able to:**

1. Utilize a variety of instructional strategies.
2. Develop instructional plans and set goals based on the content to be taught/learned, knowledge of assigned students, and the instructional process.
3. Establish and maintain purposeful and equitable classroom environments.
4. Demonstrate integrity, ethical behavior, and professional conduct as stated in the *Pennsylvania Code of Professional Practice and Conduct for Educators*.