

TEACHING (M.A.T.) - SECONDARY EDUCATION (45 HRS.)

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2023 through summer 2024. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

After completion of the required program coursework (including student teaching), content competencies (if applicable), and the passing of licensure tests, the graduate of this program would be eligible for a VA state teaching license.

Code	Title	Hours
Initial Education Core Courses		
EDLC 504	Educational Philosophy and Theories of Learning	3
EDLC 510	Instructional Strategies for Diverse Learners	3
EDLC 606	Tests and Measurements	3
EDLC 623	Principles of Behavior Management	3
Total Hours		12

Code	Title	Hours
Secondary Education Cognate		
EDLC 539	Current Issues in Content Areas ¹	3
EDLC 625	Content Instructional Procedures ^{2,3}	3
Choose one of the following:		3
Education Elective ^{1,4,5}		
ENGL 654	Methods of Teaching Writing Across the Curriculum ¹	
MLAN 519	Second Language Acquisition ^{1,5}	
Choose one of the following:		3
EDLC 554	Reading and Language Acquisition	
EDUC 635	Teaching Science in the Middle School ¹	
EDUC 637	Teaching Social Studies in the Middle School ¹	
EDUC 668	Mathematics Instruction and Learning for K-8 ¹	
EDUC 669	Literacy for Middle Level Learners ¹	
EDUC 673	Curriculum and Methods for Effective Instruction ¹	
Total Hours		12

¹ Candidates may choose to take 9 hours of graduate courses in teaching endorsement (BIOL, ENGL, HIST, MATH) instead of EDLC 539, and EDUC Elective/ENGL 654/MLAN 519, and EDUC 635/EDUC 637/EDUC 668/EDUC 669/EDUC 673

² EDLC 625 must be taken in the same semester as EDLC 688

³ Background check clearance required (EDLC 588, EDLC 625, EDLC 656, EDLC 688, EDST 560, EDST 561, EDST 562, EDST 563, EDST 564, EDST 565, EDST 566, EDST 567, EDST 568, EDST 569)

⁴ Must be a 500-600 level course

⁵ EDLC 554 and MLAN 519 required for TESL/SPA

Code	Title	Hours
Education Elective Courses		
Education Elective ^{1,2}		3

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Education Elective ^{1,2}		3
Education Elective ^{1,2}		3
Total Hours		9

¹ EDLC 554 and MLAN 519 required for TESL/SPA

² Choose one of the following courses: Any 500-600 level EDUC or EDSP course, or any approved graduate elective on the Course Equivalency Guide for Content Competencies not already required by the degree

Code	Title	Hours
Professional Courses		
EDLC 571	Curriculum Fundamentals ¹	3
EDLC 656	Literacy Across the Curriculum ^{2,3}	3
Total Hours		6

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³ EDLC 656 must be taken in the same semester as EDLC 588

Code	Title	Hours
Gate & Field Experience Courses		
EDGT 520	School of Education Gate 1 – MAT Initial Licensure	0
EDGT 560	School of Education Gate 2 – MAT Initial Licensure	0
EDGT 580	School of Education Gate 3 – MAT Initial Licensure	0
EDLC 588	Initial Licensure Practicum I ^{1,2}	0
EDLC 688	Initial Licensure Practicum II ^{1,3}	0
Total Hours		0

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² EDLC 656 must be taken in the same semester as EDLC 588

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Code	Title	Hours
Student Teaching		
EDST 585	The Reflective Practitioner: Resource Seminar- Middle/Secondary	3
Choose one of the following:		3
EDST 560	Student Teaching - One Placement – Distance ^{1,3}	
EDST 561	Student Teaching - One Placement - Local ^{1,2,3}	
EDST 562	Student Teaching - Two Placement – Distance ^{1,3}	
EDST 563	Student Teaching - Two Placement - Local ^{1,2,3}	
EDST 564	Student Teaching – Own Classroom – Distance ^{1,3}	
EDST 565	Student Teaching – Own Classroom – Local ^{1,3}	
EDST 566	Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement – One placement - Distance ^{1,3}	
EDST 567	Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement – One placement - Local ^{1,3}	

Code	Title	Hours
EDST 568	Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement – Two placement - Distance ^{1,3}	
EDST 569	Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement – Two placement – Local ^{1,3}	
Total Hours		6

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Notes

- Refer to the Content Competency Chart. Competencies must be met prior to student teaching.
- Candidates seeking licensure as 6-12 or K-12 teachers should have completed a bachelor's degree with a major in the teaching endorsement, or a degree in a related field with courses similar to that required for a bachelor's degree in the teaching endorsement. Candidates must document a minimum of 30 semester hours of content courses including each of the competencies listed for the endorsement. [See Content Competencies for subject area.] In addition, candidates must successfully complete the appropriate Praxis Subject Assessment in the area of endorsement prior to student teaching.
- All practicum courses should be completed before student teaching and students should not complete practicum during the summer semester

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 45 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format