

# TEACHING (M.A.T.) - MIDDLE EDUCATION SOCIAL STUDIES

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

As a requirement for completion of this program, including student teaching and passing required licensure tests, the graduate of this program, regardless of state residency, must obtain a VA state teaching license. The VA teaching license may then be used for reciprocity in another state according to the regulations of that state.

| Code                                  | Title   | Hours     |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| <b>Initial Education Core Courses</b> |   |           |
| 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         |
| <b>Total Hours</b>                    |   | <b>12</b> |

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|--|---|-----------|
| <b>Middle Education Social Studies Education Cognate</b> |   |           |
| EDLC 515   | Learning to Read: Theory and Practice               | 3         |
| EDLC 571   | Curriculum Fundamentals                             | 3         |
| EDUC 601   | Professional Development in Middle Grades Education | 3         |
| or EDUC 602  | Young Adolescents, Schools and Communities          |           |
| EDUC 637   | Teaching Social Studies in the Middle School        | 3         |
| <b>Total Hours</b>                                       |   | <b>12</b> |

| Code                        | Title   | Hours    |
|-----------------------------|---|----------|
| <b>Professional Courses</b> |   |          |
| EDLC 625                    | Content Instructional Procedures <sup>1,2</sup> | 3        |
| EDLC 656                    | Literacy Across the Curriculum <sup>1,3</sup>   | 3        |
| <b>Total Hours</b>          |   | <b>6</b> |

<sup>1</sup> 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, or EDST 569)

<sup>2</sup> EDLC 625 must be taken in the same semester as EDLC 688.

<sup>3</sup> EDLC 656 must be taken in the same semester as EDLC 588.

| Code                                       | Title  | Hours    |
|--|--|----------|
| <b>Gate &amp; Field Experience Courses</b> |  |          |
| 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 <sup>1,2</sup>       | 0        |
| EDLC 688                                   | Initial Licensure Practicum II <sup>1,3</sup>      | 0        |
| <b>Total Hours</b>                         |  | <b>0</b> |

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<sup>2</sup> EDLC 656 must be taken in the same semester as EDLC 588

<sup>3</sup> EDLC 625 must be taken in the same semester as EDLC 688

| Code                         | Title   | Hours    |
|------------------------------|---|----------|
| <b>Student Teaching</b>      |   |          |
| EDST 585                     | The Reflective Practitioner. Resource Seminar- Middle/Secondary                   | 3        |
| Choose one of the following: |   | 3        |
| EDST 560                     | Student Teaching - One Placement – Distance <sup>1,2</sup>                        |          |
| EDST 561                     | Student Teaching - One Placement - Local <sup>1,2</sup>                           |          |
| EDST 562                     | Student Teaching - Two Placement – Distance <sup>1,2</sup>                        |          |
| EDST 563                     | Student Teaching - Two Placement - Local <sup>1,2</sup>                           |          |
| EDST 564                     | Student Teaching – Own Classroom – Distance <sup>1,2</sup>                        |          |
| EDST 565                     | Student Teaching – Own Classroom – Local <sup>1,2</sup>                           |          |
| EDST 566                     | Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement – One placement - Distance <sup>1,2</sup> |          |
| EDST 567                     | Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement – One placement - Local <sup>1,2</sup>    |          |
| EDST 568                     | Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement – Two placement - Distance <sup>1,2</sup> |          |
| EDST 569                     | Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement – Two placement – Local <sup>1,2</sup>    |          |
| <b>Total Hours</b>           |   | <b>6</b> |

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<sup>2</sup> Candidates will be assigned either EDST 560, EDST 561, EDST 562, EDST 563, EDST 564, EDST 565, EDST 566, EDST 567, EDST 568, or EDST 569. Course and section number will be designated during Gate 3 Application

## Notes

- Refer to the Content Competency Chart must be met prior to the student teaching.
- All practicum courses should be completed before student teaching, and students should not complete practicum courses during the summer semester.

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 36 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

### Course Sequence

| Course                                    | Title  | Hours     |
|---|--|-----------|
| <b>First Semester</b>                     |  |           |
| EDGT 520                                  | School of Education Gate 1 – MAT Initial Licensure             | 0         |
| EDLC 504                                  | Educational Philosophy and Theories of Learning                | 3         |
| EDLC 510                                  | Instructional Strategies for Diverse Learners                  | 3         |
| EDGT 560                                  | School of Education Gate 2 – MAT Initial Licensure             | 0         |
| EDLC 623                                  | Principles of Behavior Management                              | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                              |  | <b>9</b>  |
| <b>Second Semester</b>                    |  |           |
| EDLC 588                                  | Initial Licensure Practicum I <sup>1</sup>                     | 0         |
| EDLC 606                                  | Tests and Measurements   | 3         |
| EDLC 656                                  | Literacy Across the Curriculum <sup>1</sup>                    | 3         |
| EDUC 637                                  | Teaching Social Studies in the Middle School                   | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                              |  | <b>9</b>  |
| <b>Third Semester</b>                     |  |           |
| EDLC 515                                  |  |           |
| EDLC 539                                  | Current Issues in Content Areas                                | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                              |  | <b>3</b>  |
| <b>Fourth Semester</b>                    |  |           |
| EDLC 688                                  | Initial Licensure Practicum II <sup>1</sup>                    | 0         |
| EDGT 580                                  | School of Education Gate 3 – MAT Initial Licensure             | 0         |
| EDLC 625                                  | Content Instructional Procedures                               | 3         |
| EDLC 571                                  | Curriculum Fundamentals  | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                              |  | <b>6</b>  |
| <b>Fifth Semester</b>                     |  |           |
| Education Student Teaching <sup>1,3</sup> |  | 3         |
| EDST 585                                  | The Reflective Practitioner: Resource Seminar-Middle/Secondary | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>                              |  | <b>6</b>  |
| <b>Total Hours</b>                        |  | <b>33</b> |

<sup>1</sup> Background check clearance required

<sup>2</sup> Candidates may choose to take 3 hours of graduate courses in teaching endorsement (BIOL, ENGL, HIST, MATH) instead of EDLC 539

<sup>3</sup> Candidates will be assigned one of the following: EDST 560, EDST 561, EDST 562, EDST 563, EDST 564, EDST 565, EDST 566, EDST 567, EDST 568, or EDST 569. Course and section number will be designated during Gate 3 Application.