

# SECONDARY EDUCATION (6-12)



Toward a Bachelor of Science Degree  
**Major:** \_\_\_\_\_

Minimum 62 hours

**Transfer Curriculum • Associate in Arts Degree • Minimum 2.0 OGPA • Major Code: DAA**

This curriculum is designed for transfer to four year institutions for this major. Consult the website of the four year institution where you plan to transfer, regarding specific course needs, requirements and deadlines.

**Illinois Teacher Certification areas for Secondary Education are:** Language Arts (to teach English, Speech & Theater), Mathematics (to teach Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry & Calculus), Science (to teach Chemistry, Physics, Biology & Life Science) and Social Studies (to teach History, Government, Geography & Economics). Students may complete a "designation" to teach Advanced Placement (AP) courses in an area of Certification. See the Art, Music, Physical Education, Foreign Language, and Workforce Education & Development (Business, Computer, and other Vocational Teachers) Curriculum Guides for teacher certification in those areas.

## FIRST YEAR

Fall Semester		Credit Hrs
<b>ENG 121</b>	Rhetoric & Composition I	3
<b>PSYC 121</b>	Intro Psychology	3
<b>HIST 121</b>	History of Western Civilization to 1648	3
<b>MATH 144</b>	Heart of Mathematics	3
<b>EDUC 141</b>	Introduction to Education	3
Total Hours		15

Spring Semester		Credit Hrs
<b>ENG 122</b>	Rhetoric & Composition II	3
<b>COM 121</b>	Principles of Speaking	3
<b>MUS 121 or THTR 121</b>	Art Appreciation or Music Appreciation or Theater Appreciation	3
<b>GOVT 121</b>	American Government	3
<b>HLTH 121</b>	Science of Personal Health	3
Total Hours		15

## SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester		Credit Hrs
<b>ENG 245 or ENG 246</b>	World Literature Modern Literature	3
<b>EDUC 228</b>	Diversity in Schools & Society	3
<b>BIOL 121</b>	Introductory Biology	4
<b>MAJOR ELECTIVE</b> (See Below)		3/4
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Total Hours		16/18

Spring Semester		Credit Hrs
<b>HIST 242</b>	American History II	3
<b>PHYS 121 or CHEM 123</b>	Basic Physics Basic Inorg/Org Chemistry	4
<b>PHIL 121</b>	Intro to Philosophy	3
<b>EDUC 241</b>	Educational Psychology	3
<b>HIST 122</b>	History of Western Civilization from 1648	3
Total Hours		16

The bolded classes on this curriculum guide indicate the minimum a student must complete in order to receive an Associate degree. See advisor for specific transfer information.

- Some institutions may require Math 141-3 Statistics. Please consult with the institution you plan to transfer to for verification.

This curriculum is designed specifically for students transferring to an Illinois College or University for a four-year degree in Secondary Education. An additional Middle Grade Endorsement is required to teach grades 6-8. **STUDENTS TRANSFERRING TO A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY OUT-OF-STATE**, see a counselor for out-of-state Teacher Education Requirements.

**ALL EDUCATION MAJORS** should apply to the four-year college or university up to one year before they plan to attend. (For example: a student should apply during the fall semester before they plan to attend the next fall semester) and take the Illinois Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) the fall semester of their sophomore year.

### ALL EDUCATION MAJORS TRANSFERRING TO ILLINOIS SCHOOLS

- Must earn a C or better in all courses in their major, endorsement area(s), and all Education courses
- Must accrue 12 or more hours at the 300 or 400 level at a four-year institution.
- Must pass the Content Test before student teaching. The Assessment of Professional Teaching (APT) must be passed before finishing an approved program.
- A background check is required before observing any early childhood program and/or school. Students may not enter any school or ECE program until the Coordinator of Education and Early Childhood Education has a Background Check on file.
- Must research the Teacher Education Program Entrance Requirements for the college or university where he/she plans to obtain his/her Bachelor of Science Degree for any additional requirements.

The **Coordinator of Education and Early Childhood Education** will provide information on when and where the Illinois Teacher Licensure exams are given.

### Career Opportunities:

Middle School Teacher, High School Teacher.

### Major Employers:

Public School Systems, Private Schools, State Government Institutions.