

**SECONDARY ENGLISH EDUCATION CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS
MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY**

CORE CURRICULUM—30 Hours

Core courses must come from MSU list of core courses. See MSU Bulletin.					
COURSES REQUIRED	TAKEN	HRS	GRADE	SEM/YR	MSU/CC
ENGLISH COMPOSITION—6 hours					
EN 1103 or equivalent (C or better)					
EN 1113 or equivalent (C or better)					
MATHEMATICS — 3 hours					
MA 1213 Math in Your World (or higher See University Core)					
NATURAL SCIENCES—6 hours (See University Core)					
Physical Science with lab					
Biological Science with lab					
HUMANITIES—6 hours					
HI 1063 Early U.S. History					
HI 1073 Modern U.S. History					
SOCIAL SCIENCES—6 hours (See University Core)					
PSY 1013 General Psychology					
Social sciences					
FINE ARTS—3 hours					
CO 1503 Introduction to Theater					

TEACHER EDUCATION CURRICULUM (Phase II)—42 Hours

COURSES REQUIRED	HRS	GRADE	SEM/YR	Usually Offered
EDF 3333 Social Foundations of Education*				Fa, Sp, Su
EDX 3213 Foundations of Special Education*				Fa, Sp, Su
EDS 3413 Principles of Secondary Education (not to be taken with EDS 4673) *				Fa, Sp
EPY 3143 Human Development and Learning Strategies in Education*				Fa, Sp
EDS 4873 Seminar in Managing the Secondary Classroom (Take the same semester as EDS 3413 or EDS 3673 or 4673)				Fa, Sp, Su
EDE 3343 Teaching Adolescent Literature*				Sp, Su
RDG 3513 Developing Reading Strategies in the Sec. School Content Areas				Fa, Sp, Su
EDS 3673 Secondary Language Arts Education (Take before EDS 4673 or with permission of advisor if not in Phase II)				Sp only
EDS 4673 Methods of Teaching Language Arts (Take after EDS 3673)				Fa only
EDS 4403 Evaluation of Learning in Secondary Schools (Internship)	EDS 4403, EDS 4886, and EDS 4896 are taken together for Internship			Fa, Sp
EDS 4886 Teaching Internship in Secondary Education (Internship)				Fa, Sp
EDS 4896 Teaching Internship in Secondary Education (Internship)				Fa, Sp

*may be taken before entering Phase II

ENGLISH CONTENT CURRICULUM—47 Hours

COURSES REQUIRED	HRS	GRADE	SEM/YR	MSU/CC	Usually Offered
EN 2243 American Literature Before 1865					Fa, Sp, Su
EN 2253 American Literature After 1865					Fa, Sp, Su
EN 2213 English Literature Before 1800					Fa, Sp, Su
EN 2223 English Literature After 1800					Fa, Sp, Su
EN 2273 World Lit. Before 1600 or EN 2283 World Lit. After 1600					Fa, Sp
EN 2434 Literature and Film or EN 3523 Shakespeare and Film					Sp, Su
EN 3414 Critical Writing and Research in Literary Studies					Fa, Sp
EN 3423 Descriptive English Grammar					Fa
EN 4503 or EN 4513 Shakespeare					Fa, Sp, Su
EN 4413 Hist. of the English Language or EN 4403 Introduction to Linguistics or EN 4633 Language and Society or EN 4623 Language and Culture					
EN 4323 Literary Criticism from Plato-Present or EN 4353 Critical Theory Since 1900					
EN 3000/4000 level electives (12 hours)					
TECH 4763 Digital Tools for 21 st Century Teaching and Learning					Fa, Sp, Su

College of Education Requirements

Phase 1: Enrollment in Secondary Education

- Admission to Mississippi State University
- Secondary Education declared as major with English as concentration

Phase 2: Admission to Teacher Education (See advisor to apply for admission.)

- Minimum 2.75 GPA on 44 hours including the MSU general education core and cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Grades of C or better in English Composition I and II and College Algebra
- Background check: go to <https://mycb.castlebranch.com/> and enter code MI43
- Two recommendation forms from educators
- Verification of 40 hours of work experience with children or youth
- Signed Dispositions form
- Proof of liability insurance
- Licensure information form
- Purchase a subscription to Taskstream by Watermark
- Test scores: ACT 21 composite, equivalent SAT, **OR** Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators scores: 156 reading (5713), 162 writing (5723), 130 mathematics (5733)
- Completion of the online orientation module (after admission to TE)

Phase 3: Teaching Internship Requirement

- Take 15 hours of Internship courses: EDS 4886, EDS 4896, and EDS 4403
- Completion of all professional education courses with a C or better in each course
- Minimum overall 2.5 GPA
- Submit application and Advisor Agreement to OCFBI (Allen 318)
- Take the Praxis Subject Assessment and the Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT)

Phase 4: Graduation Requirements

- Completion of at least 123 hours with the last 25% of hours earned at MSU
- No more than 61 community college hours applied to degree
- Grades of C or better in all professional education and content courses

For more information on the Praxis: <https://www.ets.org/praxis/ms/>

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The curriculum sheet is meant to assist in advising and planning. The CAPP report is the authoritative outline of degree requirements. Students must complete all requirements in the CAPP to graduate.