

Graduate Certificate in Teaching Secondary Education (9-12) English

Required courses

- MDSK 6162:** Planning for K-12 Teaching (3)
READ 5255: Integrating Reading and Writing in the Content Areas (3)
EDUC 5100: Diverse Learners (3)
SECD 5140: The Secondary School Experience (3)
ENGL 5254: Teaching English/Communications Skills to Middle and Secondary School Learners

Final course

- MDSK 6161:** Analysis of K-12 Teaching (3)

This final course is a full time internship requiring employment as a secondary English teacher in an approved high school or a non-paid placement with a licensed English teacher in a public high school. It requires application and approval during the semester prior to the internship.

Additional requirements for licensure

Technology portfolio

Other specific background courses in English, if applicable – See below

Applying for the teaching license

Application for NC Standard Professional I license to be filed in TEAL Office, with all appropriate forms regarding completion of coursework, technology portfolio, and internship

Looking ahead

You may wish to apply to the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) in Secondary Education at the completion of the Graduate Certificate program: <http://www.uncc.edu/gradmiss/index.asp> . All your graduate coursework for the Graduate Certificate will be applied toward the requirements for that degree. Completion of the master's degree leads to the advanced "M" teaching license and a 10% pay raise.

Secondary English (9-12) Background Requirements

Candidates must have at least a bachelor's degree with a major or the equivalent in English. Candidates with a major in English may make up background deficiencies with graduate courses which apply to the M.A.T. Candidates with a major in a different field must satisfy requirements for the equivalent of a major in English (24 hours), with coursework in each competency area below. Candidates with a major in a different field will make up deficiencies with coursework outside the 39-hour degree program. The GPA for background requirements must be at least a 2.5, and no courses may be presented for licensure with grades lower than a C.

Competency Area	Course requirements and UNC Charlotte examples There must be at least one course in each cell unless otherwise noted	Candidate's courses	Grades	Plan for satisfying deficiencies
American Literature	<p><i>Any broad-based English course focused on American literature, e.g., ENGL 3140, 3141, 3142, 3143</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p><i>Several topic-specific American Literature courses showing breadth of study, e.g., ENGL 2301, 3156, 4145, 4146, 4148</i></p>			
English Literature	<p><i>Any broad-based English literature course that includes some study of Shakespeare, e.g., ENGL 2101, 2102, 3128</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p><i>Several topic-specific English literature courses, one of which must include study of Shakespeare, e.g., ENGL 3112, 3114, 4117</i></p>			
World Literature	<p><i>Any broad-based world literature course, e.g., ENGL 4050: Topics in World Lit.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p><i>Any broad-based multicultural literature course, e.g., ENGL 4104</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p><i>Several topic-specific world literature courses, e.g., ENGL 4157, 4152, 4155</i></p>			
Adolescent Literature	<p><i>An adolescent literature course, e.g., ENGL 3104</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p><i>A variety of literature courses which included the study of literature appropriate for young adolescents</i></p>			
Writing (above freshman composition)	<p><i>Any ENGL course at the 2000 level or above which focuses on writing, e.g., ENGL 2100, 2126, 2127, 2128, 4181, 4204, 4205</i></p>			
Grammar	<p><i>Any ENGL course focused on grammar, e.g., ENGL 3132, 4161</i></p>			
Linguistics/ Language Structure	<p><i>Any ENGL course focused on linguistics or language structure, e.g., ENGL 4166, 4263</i></p>			

Note: Some deficiency courses may have prerequisites.

Note: If you need additional hours in English to reach the expected 24 hours, you may use any prerequisites needed for the courses above, or you may take electives in English.