Bachelor of Science in Education (BSEd) with an emphasis in Middle School Education

Middle school education majors explore the unique challenges and rewards of teaching students aged 10-14. This program is a small, personalized program that combines the child-centered philosophy of elementary certification with a content specialization more typical of secondary certification. You’ll have the opportunity to earn specific credentials, as needed, and to pursue academic minors related to your individual career goals.

Career Outlook
UMSL's middle school degree program is highly regarded in the surrounding educational community and, due to the limited number of students choosing this major, employment prospects are good. Middle school majors earn certification in one or more content areas for grades 5-9: math, science, communication arts, or social studies. Students gain skills and insights that can be applied as innovative educators, managers and directors, program planners and curriculum developers. This program requires the selection and completion of coursework and includes field and practicum experiences in middle school settings, culminating in Missouri teacher certification.

Future Career Options
- Classroom Teacher, Middle School
- Classroom Teacher, Junior High School

Skills developed through degree completion
- Improve and enhance student learning
- Integrate technology to create meaningful student learning
- Create authentic and deep learning experiences
- Use learning science principles to design, implement, and evaluate curriculum
- Foster effective working relationships
- Design and establish a safe, inclusive and respectful learning environment
- Use equitable frameworks and inclusive practices to create a variety of instructional and assessment opportunities adapted to diverse learners to encourage all students' critical thinking, problem solving, and performance skills

Successful alumni have gone on to fulfill many of the opportunities above. Additional possibilities are taken from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Contact an advisor to discuss additional future career options.
## Bachelor of Science in Education
### Middle School Emphasis

### FALL SEMESTER (16 credit hours)
- ENG 1100: First-Year Writing (3)
- MATH 1030: College Algebra (3)
- GEN ED: Humanities and Fine Arts (3)
- GEN ED: Social Sciences Elective (3)
- HIST 1001: American Civilization to 1865, OR
  HIST 1002: American Civilization 1865 to Present (3)
- TCH ED 1000: Building Community, Culture, and Learning in Education (1)

### SPRING SEMESTER (14 credit hours)
- COMM 1040: Introduction to Public Speaking (3)
- GEN ED: Humanities and Fine Arts (3)
- GEN ED: Social Sciences Elective (3)
- GEN ED: Math and Sciences Elective (3)
- TCH ED 1001: Early Clinical Experience: Community Agency (1)
- TCH ED 2000: Becoming a Professional Educator (1)

### FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)
- ED TECH 2230: Information Literacy (3)
- GEN ED: Humanities and Fine Arts (3)
- GEN ED: Math and Sciences Elective (3)
- Specialty Elective* (3)
- TCH ED 2001: Early Clinical Experience: Schools (1)
- TCH ED 2209: Foundations of Teaching in American Schools (2)

### SPRING SEMESTER (15-16 credit hours)
- GEN ED: Math and Sciences Elective (3)
- GEN ED: Social Sciences Elective (Cultural Diversity) (3)
- ED PSY 2212: Child and Adolescent Development (3)
- Specialty Elective* (3)
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### FALL SEMESTER (16 credit hours)
- TCH ED 3001: Mid-Level Clinical Experience: Diverse Learners (1)
- TCH ED 3312: The Psychology of Teaching and Learning (3)
- SPEC ED 3318: Inclusive Classrooms (3)
- ENGL 3100: Junior-Level Writing (3)
- MID ED 4315: The Middle Level School (3)
- Specialty Elective* (3)

### SPRING SEMESTER (18 credit hours)
- TCH ED 3310: Introduction to Methods of Teaching (3)
- TCH ED 3212: Sociolinguistics and Communication in the Classroom (3)
- MID ED xxxx: Appropriate Methods Course, as advised (3)
- Specialty Elective* (3)
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### FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)
- TCH ED 4391: Literacy for Adolescent Learners in Content Areas (3)
- SEC ED 4880: Writing for Teachers (3)
- SPEC ED 4323: Classroom Management/Positive Behavioral Supports in Inclusive Ed. Set. (3)
- MID ED 4989: Practicum I: Middle Level Education Site-Based Experience (3)
- Specialty Elective* (3)

### SPRING SEMESTER (12 credit hours)
- MID ED 4990: Practicum II: Middle Level Education Site-Based Experience (12)

*Specialty Elective course hours vary based on content area per DESE. See your advisor for more information.

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### Year-One Requirement
- Year-One Requirement is required for all first-year students and those with fewer than 24 credit hours.

### Milestone courses
- Milestone courses should be taken in the order shown to ensure you stay on a timely and accurate path toward graduation.

### Summer and Intersession courses
- Summer and Intersession courses don't forget that summers and winter breaks are a way to fast-track your route to degree completion – and lighten your load during fall and spring!

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### 4-YEAR ACADEMIC MAP

This is a sample academic map for the courses to take each academic semester/session. This map is not a substitute for academic advisement. Contact your advisor when making final selections.

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