

## Graduate Certificate Secondary School Teaching

### **Program Requirements:**

A minimum of 34 credit hours are required for the degree program.

- The Graduate Certificate in Secondary School Teaching prepares those with at least a bachelor's degree for teaching in high school.
- Normally this Graduate Certificate is taken by students who are not simultaneously pursuing the M.Ed. and teacher certification.
- This graduate certificate program option leads to Missouri Initial Professional Teacher Certification in the specified discipline.

### **Application Requirements:**

1. [Online Graduate Application](#)
2. Statement of Purpose: A 1-2 page essay explaining your interest in the program and why you are a strong candidate.
3. Official transcripts from all universities attended. A Bachelor's degree is required.
4. Entrance examinations:
  - a. International Students must document English proficiency by providing scores from an internationally accepted standardized examination. See [International Admissions](#) for more information.
  - b. A passing score on the designated Missouri Content Examination or an approved program of study
5. **Minimum GPA of 2.75 on 4.0 scale**

### **Application Deadlines:**

Domestic Applicants: Fall - July 1 ♦ Spring - December 1 ♦ Summer - May 1

Applications are processed as they are submitted. However, applications that are not received by the posted date may delay admission until the following semester.

### **Application Fees:**

\$50 for domestic applicants

\$40 for international applicants

### **Graduate Program Director:**

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### **Advising**

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