

CM Program Code Graduate Certificate in Secondary Education with 7-12 Licensure

Under Review | Spring 2023

Proposal Information

Workflow Status

In Progress

Faculty Senate Approval, Faculty Senate

Waiting for Approval | Faculty Senate Approval

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College

College of Education & Human
Sciences

Department

Teacher Education

Campus

Main Campus

Effective Term and Year

Proposed Effective Term and Year

Spring 2023

Justification

Program Justification

New Mexico is in the midst of a dire teacher shortage. As of September 25, 2020, there were 571 teacher vacancies in New Mexico (Southwest Outreach Academic Research (SOAR) Evaluation & Policy Center Report <https://alliance.nmsu.edu/files/2020/10/2020-New-Mexico-Educator-Vacancy-Report.pdf>). Of those 571 teacher vacancies, 43%, (244 teacher vacancies) were reported for middle school and high school teachers.

This Graduate Certificate in Secondary Licensure will enable the Department of Teacher Education, Educational Leadership and Policy to actively recruit students as potential teachers from all content areas to our secondary education licensure program. Students can be completing a graduate degree in a content area while simultaneously completing their requirements for a teaching license. These students can complete this certificate and licensure requirements within one year, thus assisting to alleviate the severe shortage of secondary education teachers in New Mexico.

Associated Forms

Select any associated course forms that exist

Select any associated program forms that exist

Program Category and Level

Program Category Certificate	Program Level Graduate	Degree, Minor, or Certificate Name Graduate Certificate in Secondary Education with 7-12 Licensure
New Graduate Program Yes	Dual Degree No	New Undergrad Degree/Certificate No

Catalog Information

Program Description

The *Graduate Certificate in Secondary Education with 7-12 Licensure* is designed for an individual holding a baccalaureate degree or currently completing an advanced degree in a major content area (Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, English, Spanish, German, or French) who wants to pursue a New Mexico Level I Teaching License in Secondary Education.

The *Graduate Certificate in Secondary Education with 7-12 Licensure* is open to graduates from varied fields, career changers with diverse previous job experiences from either the private sector or the public sector, and current graduate students in other programs. Those completing this program will have attained all the necessary requirements to be licensed teachers by the State of New Mexico, pending passage of the state licensure examinations.

Admissions Requirements

Interested applicants should consult with the Secondary Graduate Licensure Coordinator or a Secondary Education Faculty member before applying to the Graduate Certificate Program in order to have their transcripts reviewed for the required content coursework required for licensure.

Students must be formally admitted to the Graduate Certificate Program in order to enroll in the Graduate Certificate Program courses.

Students who complete the Graduate Certificate in Secondary Education with 7-12 Licensure are strongly encouraged to apply these 17 credit hours toward an MA in Education.

Application Deadlines for Best Consideration:

Summer/Fall Semester:

February 1-May 1 for best consideration.

Applications will continue to be accepted throughout the year.

Spring Semester:

September 1-November 1 for best consideration.

Applications will continue to be accepted throughout the year.

Admissions Criteria

A complete online application must be submitted to the University and to the Department. Admission is based on space availability. For application information, visit the Graduate Certificate in Secondary Education with 7-12 Licensure Website.

The following are the Application Requirements:

- Meet UNM Graduate Studies requirements,
- Have an overall GPA of 3.0 in the last 60 credit hours of university coursework,
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or above in your content/endorsement area, and
- Be admitted to the Secondary Education Program through the Office of Graduate Studies.

Steps in the Application Process:

1. Contact the Graduate Licensure Coordinator (gradlicensure@unm.edu) to meet with a content-area faculty advisor to ensure you meet the content-area course requirements for secondary licensure.

NOTE: Secondary Education Teacher Candidates must have **24 credit hours of coursework in a content area** (English/Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, Mathematics, or Global Languages—Spanish, French, German, Dinè), with 12 of those hours at the upper division (300-level or above).

1. Complete the required online application. Instructions can be found at <https://grad.unm.edu/graduate-programs/degrees-advisors-instructions.html>

Graduation Requirements

Graduation Requirements for Graduate Certificate in Secondary Education with 7-12 Licensure Program

Complete all required prerequisite and required courses with a 2.0 or above GPA.

Field Experience Requirements:

EDUC 595: Advanced Field Experiences (3-6 credit hours) requires that students complete 2 semesters of field experience.

Fall: Minimum of 2 hours per day in a secondary classroom.

Spring: Minimum of 5 days per week in a secondary classroom.

NOTE: Changes in state requirements or state initiatives in education may require periodic revisions of the curriculum and/or admissions.

For More Information Contact:

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COEHS Website

File Uploads

Proposal File Upload

- FINAL Sec Ed Grad Cert FULL Prop 9-15-2022.pdf

Executive Summary Upload

- Sec Ed Grad Cert Exec Summary.pdf

Associate Provost Memo

- Grad Cert Sec Ed Asso Provost Memo .pdf

Concentrations

Program Concentrations

Code

Title

Concentration Required

No

Certificate Information

Certificate Requirements

Prerequisite Course

3

Total Credits

- Complete the following:
 - EDUC438 - Teaching Reading and Writing in the Content Field (3)

Required Courses

17

Total Credits

- Complete all of the following
 - Complete the following:
 - EDUC550 - Issues in Secondary Education (3)
 - Earn at least 2 credits from the following:
 - EDUC564 - Graduate Seminar in Secondary Teaching (1 - 3)
 - Earn at least 6 credits from the following:
 - EDUC595 - Advanced Field Experiences (3 - 6)
 - Earn at least 3 credits from the following:
 - SPCD507 - Collaboration for Inclusive Education (3)
 - SPCD589 - Teaching Exceptional Students in General Education (1 - 3)
 - Complete at least 1 of the following:
 - MSET530 - Seminar in Science Teaching (3)
 - MSET429 - Teaching of Secondary Mathematics (3)
 - LLSS480 - Second Language Pedagogy (3)
 - LLSS546 - Advanced English Language Arts Teaching Methods (3)
 - LLSS517 - Secondary Social Studies (3)
 - EDUC 564: Minimum of 1 credit hour per semester (Fall & Spring); EDUC 595: Minimum of 3 credit hours per semester (Fall & Spring); Content Area Methods Courses: Students enroll in the content area methods course that corresponds to their content area endorsement (Methods Courses only offered in Fall Semester).

Grand Total Credits: 20