

# SECONDARY EDUCATION MINOR

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The minor in Secondary Education provides opportunities for undergraduate subject area majors to enroll in a sequence of education courses that helps them to determine if teaching is a viable career option for them. The 15-18 credit minor may be taken prior to admission into a teacher preparation program. If an undergraduate student pursuing the minor desires to enter an education track, the candidate may apply for the dual major program to obtain certification as a secondary education classroom teacher through completion of a Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) approved program option. Some of the courses undergraduates take to complete the Minor in Secondary Education may also be applicable toward certification options at the post-baccalaureate level offered through TLPL. These individuals should consult with an advisor in Student Services to identify the most appropriate option leading to teacher certification and to review the specific admission requirements associated with these programs.

The secondary education minor includes coursework from Teaching and Learning, Policy and Leadership. The curriculum provides a foundation in adolescent development and education policy and includes an introductory pedagogy course in one of the core secondary areas: English, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, World Languages. The minor also incorporates coursework to meet the MSDE reading requirements that are part of secondary subject area teacher certification.

## REQUIREMENTS

Course	Title	Credits
EDHD413	Adolescent Development (Students in the Terrapin Teacher program can take TLPL414.)	3
EDHD426	Cognitive and Motivational Literacy Content	3
TLPL462	Reading in the Secondary School	3
Select one of the following foundation courses:		3
TLPL250	Historical and Philosophical Perspectives on Education	
TLPL360	Foundations of Education	
TLPL415	Perspectives in Science (This is for students in the Terrapin Teacher program. MATH274 is also an option.)	
Select one of the following secondary education introductory methods:		3
TLPL401	Student-Centered Curriculum and Instruction (This option is for students in the Terrapin Teacher program.)	
TLPL433	Foundations of Art Education	
TLPL451	Teaching and Learning in Secondary Education: English	
TLPL445	Methods I: K-12 World Language Methods and Technology	
TLPL413	Teaching and Learning Middle School Mathematics	
TLPL420	Knowledge, Reasoning, and Learning in Science	

TLPL470 Knowledge, Reasoning, and Learning in Secondary Social Studies

**Total Credits** 15

A total of 15 credits is required. All courses presented for the minor must be passed with a grade of "C-" or better. A cumulative GPA of 2.75 is required for enrollment in the secondary education introductory methods courses (TLPL401, TLPL445, TLPL420, TLPL451, TLPL470, TLPL413). No more than six of the required credits (or two courses) may be taken at an institution other than the University of Maryland, College Park.