Adolescence Certification (Grades 7-12)

Candidates accepted into any Adolescence Certification program will work toward a B.S. or B.A. in their major and will also be eligible for New York State initial certification in that area for grades 7-12.

The adolescence certification program is organized into a sequence of education courses taken together, referred to as Blocks. Blocks are taken alongside courses in the student’s major. All candidates complete 100 hours of field experience, as part of coursework, prior to student teaching. Students will have a variety of field experiences, including those in rural, suburban, and urban settings. Throughout the program students will be responsible for their own transportation to field experiences. Students must earn two-thirds of all major requirements and complete all education requirements prior to student teaching.

# Program Requirements\*

**Block I**

INTD 203 - Social Foundations of Education in the US

**Block II**

EDUC 204 - Dimensions of Teaching

EDUC 206 - Practicum - Dimensions of Teaching

SPED 205 - Teaching Secondary Learners with Special Needs

EDUC 215¹ - Foundations of Literacy in the Secondary School

**Block III**²

INTD 301- Topics in Secondary Education (by discipline)

INTD 302 - Methods and Materials in Secondary Education (by discipline)

**Block IV**

EDUC 340 - Student Teaching - Middle School Education

EDUC 350 - Student Teaching - High School Education

## Related Requirements\*

PSYC 216 - Adolescent Development

H&PE 350 - Health and Safety Issues in the School

World Languages through 102

# Notes

\*All students should consult the Undergraduate Bulletin to learn more about their program, education, and general education requirements. Additionally, all students must earn a minimum of 120 credits to meet the NYS minimum.

¹ EDUC 215 can be taken during or after Block II but it must be completed prior to student teaching

² Students should plan to take Block III as close to Block IV as possible. Students who take a semester break between these blocks must complete 25 contact hours during that break.

**History students** will need to take four additional courses in addition to the History major:

PLSC 110 - American Politics

ECON 110 - Introductory Microeconomics

GEOG 102 - Human Geography

GEOG 123 - The Developing World

**Global Languages students** are recommended to complete an international experience. These students should plan to take Block II fall junior year, Block III fall senior year, and Block IV spring senior year to make room for the recommended international experience.

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# Eight-Semester Guide\*

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| **First year, fall**Dependent upon major | **First year, spring**Dependent upon major |
| **Second year, fall**INTD 203 (or spring in first or second year)Dependent upon major | **Second year, spring - Block I**PSYC 216Dependent upon major |
| **Third year, fall - Block II**EDUC 204EDUC 206SPED 205EDUC 215 (or third year, spring)Dependent upon major | **Third year, spring - Block II - Block III**INTD 301INTD 302H&PE 350Dependent upon major |
| **Fourth year, fall - Block IV - 15 credits**EDUC 340 - 7.5 creditsEDUC 350 - 7.5 credits | **Fourth year, spring**Dependent upon major |

# Your Eight-Semester Guide

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| **First semester:** | **Second semester:** |
| **Third semester:** | **Fourth semester:** |
| **Fifth semester:** | **Sixth semester:** |
| **Seventh semester:** | **Eighth semester:** |