

## ENGLISH, CONCENTRATION—TEACHER CERTIFICATION IN ENGLISH—LICENSURE FOR GRADES 6-12 ACADEMIC MAP: DEGREE BA (120 CREDIT HOURS)

This degree map is a semester-by-semester sample course schedule for students majoring in **English with a concentration** in **Teacher Certification in English—Licensure for Grades 6-12**. The milestones listed to the right of each semester are designed to keep a student on track to graduate in four years. The schedule serves as a general guideline to help build a full schedule each semester. Milestones are courses and special requirements necessary for timely progress to complete a major. When one or more milestones are missed, students should consult with an academic advisor to determine if another degree path would be more suitable.

The curriculum for the English/Teacher Certification Program includes the University's general education requirements, the requirements for the major, and a series of professional education courses culminating in a student teaching internship during the spring semester of the senior year. Students in the College of Liberal Arts are expected to maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.00. However, Majors in English who wish to seek teacher licensure for grades 6-12 in English apply for admission to the Teacher Education office in the second semester of their sophomore year. Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or better and must pass the Praxis Core Tests. Students who have previously earned a score of 22 on the ACT or Enhanced ACT, or a combined score of 1020 on the verbal and mathematical portions of the SAT are exempt from the Praxis Core. Admission to the Teacher Education Program is a prerequisite to all upper-level courses in the professional education curriculum.

Students are required to seek advisement regarding their licensure programs as early as possible during their academic career at Tennessee State University to ensure that all prerequisite courses and Praxis exams are completed in preparation for Residency.

English majors may not have any "D"s in any major field course. Students who incur a probationary status are to repeat failed courses, or courses in which "D"s were earned, during the semester immediately following that in which the grades were earned. The College has a special program to assist students who are on probation. Please contact the Department Chair for details.

To enroll in upper level (3000 and 4000 numbered courses) English classes, students must meet the following requirements: (a) Complete 60 credit hours of lower division requirements; (b) Earn a "C" or better in both English 1010 and English 1020; (c) Have a 2.00 GPA or better in lower division courses; and (d) The following English courses must be completed: ENGL 2310 and ENGL 2320. The BA in English also requires that a student show proficiency in a foreign language at the intermediate level (this is equivalent to passing SPAN 2020 or FREN 2020). For more information concerning policies and practices in the College of Liberal Arts, see the University Catalog (http://www.tnstate.edu/academic\_affairs/documents/Undergraduate\_Catalog.pdf).

Tennessee State University recognizes that students have diverse learning, life, and professional experiences. The University provides opportunities for students to earn college credit toward the degree through a number of assessment options that evaluate their learning experiences. These paths are grouped under the category "Prior Learning Assessment" (PLA). Various means of earning PLA credit at TSU are the following: Advanced Placement Program, American Council of Education (ACE) Military Credit, College Level Exam Program (CLEP), DSST Credit by Examination Program (includes DANTES Examination), Institutional Course Challenge Exams (Departmental Exams), International Baccalaureate Credit, Other Military Service, Portfolio Assessment. To learn more about PLA contact your academic advisor or the Office of Student Support Services for Adult and Distance Learners at (615) 963-7001 or adultstudentsupport@tnstate.edu.

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Fall Schedule		Milestones
Semester 1	Hrs.	Semester 1
ENGL 1010	3	Pre-Requisite Course: Must be taken before ENGL 1020, and HIST 2010, HIST 2020, HIST 2030, HIST 2060, HIST 2070, or HIST
		2700; Minimum Grade of "C" Required
UNIV 1000*	1	
FREN 101 or SPAN 1010***	3	
Social and Behavioral Sciences Course**	3	
MATH 1110, 101 or 1710	3	
ART 1010 or MUSC 1010	3	
Total Hours	16	

<sup>\*</sup>An Orientation course taken at another University does **NOT** meet this requirement. Students with less than 60 credit hours must take UNIV 1000 at TSU.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Students must demonstrate mastery equivalent to the 4<sup>th</sup> semester of college level such as SPAN 2020 or FREN 2020.

Spring Schedule		Milestones
Semester 2	Hrs.	Semester 2
ENGL 1020	3	Pre-Requisite Course: Must be taken before taking HIST 2010,
		HIST 2020, HIST 2030, HIST 2060, HIST 2070, or HIST 2700;
		Minimum Grade of "C" Required
FREN 102 or SPAN 1020	3	
COMM 2200	3	
Social and Behavioral Sciences Course*	3	
	3	
Elective (Any Level)		
Total Hours	15	

<sup>\*</sup>The following courses can meet the Social Science elective: AFAS 2010, ANTH2300, ECON2010-2020, HPSS1510, POLI 1010-2010, PSYC 2010, WMST 2010 will meet this requirement. Students must remember not to duplicate a course option form a previous semester.

Fall Schedule		Milestones
Semester 3	Hrs.	Semester 3
		Students should meet with an academic advisor and declare English with Teacher Education as a major. If a minimum ACT (22) or SAT (1020) is not met then Praxis Core is required—Reading 571 (qualifying score 156), Writing 5722 (qualifying score 162), Math 5732 (qualifying score 150) before applying for admission to Teacher Education in Semester 4
ENGL 2310 or 2312	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
FREN 201 or SPAN 2010	3	
HIST 2010*	3	
Natural Sciences w/Lab**	4	
EDCI 2010	3	
Total Hours	16	

<sup>\*</sup>The Department recommends HIST 2010; however, HIST 2020, HIST 2060, HIST 2070 or HIST 2700 will satisfy this requirement.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The following courses can meet the Social Science elective: AFAS 2010, ANTH2300, ECON2010 or 2020, HPSS1510, POLI 1010 or 2010, PSYC 2010 or WMST 2010

<sup>\*\*</sup> Natural Science-Must have 4 semester hours which includes the appropriate lab.

Recommended courses are: ASTRO 1010, BIOL 1010/1011, CHEM 1030/1031, PHYS 2010/2011.

Spring Schedule		Milestones
Semester 4	Hrs.	Semester 4
		Apply for Admission to Teacher Education/Pre-Residency Block
		1. To do so, students must have a minimum GPA of 2.75,
		satisfactory report o Criminal Background Check, successful
		interview, and satisfactory writing sample.
ENGL 2320 or 2322	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
FREN 2020 or SPAN 2020	3	
Natural Sciences w/lab*	4	
HIST 2020**	3	
PSYC 2420	3	
Total Hours	16	

<sup>\*</sup>Students must have 8 semester hours which includes the appropriate lab. The recommended courses are: BIOL 1020/1021, CHEM 1040/1041, PHYS 2020/2021 or ASTR 1020

<sup>\*\*</sup>The Department recommends HIST 2020 (if not already taken); however, HIST 2030, HIST 2060, HIST 2070 or HIST 2700 satisfy this requirement.

Fall Schedule		Milestones
Semester 5	Hrs.	Semester 5
		Block 1-Pre-Residency
		Pre-requisite: Take the Praxis II Exam: 5038-English Language
		Arts: Content Knowledge (7-12) (qualifying score 167). At the
		beginning of this semester, students must make application to
		the Teacher Education Program (Pre-Residency). A GPA of 2.75
		is required and must be maintained throughout the program.
ENGL 3010	3	Co-Requisite and/or Pre-requisite for Upper Division English
		Courses; Minimum Grade of "C" required
British Literature*	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
American Literature**	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
ENGL 3640 (or other approved	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
Multicultural Literature course)***		
ENGL 3720	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
Total Hours	15	Note: Junior and senior students must enroll in Teacher
		Education/Blocked courses during the semesters indicated on this
		map.

<sup>\*</sup>Courses which fulfill this requirement include: ENGL 3290, ENGL 3300, ENGL 3310, ENGL 3320, ENGL 3330, ENGL 3410, ENGL 3510, ENGL 4200, ENGL 4210, ENGL 4230, or ENGL 4510,

<sup>\*\*</sup>Courses which fulfill this requirement include: ENGL 3610, ENGL 3620, ENGL 3630, ENGL 3640, ENGL 3680, ENGL 3690, or 4600 (the same course cannot be used to fulfill two different distribution requirements).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Courses which fulfill this requirement include: ENGL 3640, ENGL 3650, ENGL 3800, ENGL 3850, ENGL 3860, ENGL 4600, or ENGL 4840

Spring Schedule		Milestones
Semester 6	Hrs.	Semester 6
		Block 2 - Pre-Residency Pre-requisite: Complete Intent to Enter Residency-I Form and submit to the Office of Teacher Education and Student Services. Students must be admitted to Pre-Residency Block 2 in order to enroll in the courses listed for this semester. During this semester, students must apply for admission to Residency I.
ENGL 3710	3	Co-Requisite Course: 3870; Minimum Grade of "C" Required
ENGL 4130	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
PSYC 3120 or Elective (Any Level)	3	
EDCI 3870	3	Co-Requisite course: ENGL 3710
ENGL 4320	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDRD 4910	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
Total Hours	18	

<sup>\*</sup>Courses which fulfill this requirement include: ENGL 3640, ENGL 3650, ENGL 3800, ENGL 3850, ENGL 3860, ENGL 4600, ENGL 4840 All Teacher Education courses are required and will only be offered during the indicated semesters of the third and fourth years.

Fall Schedule		Milestones
Semester 7	Hrs.	Semester 7
		Block 3 – Residency I
		Pre-requisites: admission to Residency I, CPR Certification, and
		Praxis I Exam: 5624-Principles of Learning and Teaching (7-12)
		(qualifying score 155). During this semester, students must
		apply for admission to Residency II (full-time teaching).
ENGL 4000	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDCI 4620	6	Co-Requisite Course (EDRD 4910 and EDSE 3330); minimum grade of "C" required
		As a part of Residency I Teacher Licensure students must
		complete 90-100 hours of co-teaching/field placement in EDCI 4620.
EDSE 3330	3	Co-Requisite Course (EDCI 4620 and EDRD 4910); minimum grade of "C" required
ENGL 3000/4000 Elective	3	Minimum Grade of "C" Required
Total Hours	15	

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Spring Schedule		Milestones
Semester 8	Hrs.	Semester 8
		Block 4 – Residency II
		Pre-Requisite: Students must be admitted to Residency II.
		Students must have successfully completed all requirements
		for Block 3 Residency I, and passed all Praxis exams. All Co-
		Requisite courses in Residency II block 4 must be taken in
		semester or student will have to wait for the next course
		rotation. Students must engage in full time teaching co-
		teaching (100% clinical experience). Students should apply for
		teacher licensure in the last month of semester 8.
		Take Senior Exit Exam and Apply for Graduation
ENGL 4724	9	Co-Requisite Course: EDCI 4705; Minimum Grade of "C"
		Required.
EDCI 4705	3	Co-Requisite Course: ENGL 4724; Minimum Grade of "B"
		Required.
		A student who earns a grade of "C" or "D" in Student
		Teaching may graduate from the University, but will not be
		recommended for licensure.
		Student Teaching lasts 16 weeks / Mon-Fri.
Total Hours	12	NOTE: At the end of Student Teaching, students must
		complete the edTPA (portfolio) with a minimum score of 37
		out of 75 and Teacher Education Exit Interview.

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## **Employment Information:**

The degree prepares students to teach English Language Arts in secondary schools that require Certification in English Language Arts for a teaching credential. Students who successfully complete the degree will receive Certification in English Language Arts, Grades 7-12 in the State of Tennessee and all states with reciprocal agreements for certification. Students with this degree will also have the necessary education requirements to apply for a number of entry-level positions in business and industry that require effective reading, writing and research skills. The degree also prepares students to apply for graduate and professional schools in law, business, government, English and other humanities

## Representative Job Titles Related to this Major:

Journalist, lawyer, copywriter, Account Supervisor-Marketing, Arts Educator, Grant Writer, Social Worker, Teacher, College Professor, Stockbroker, Public Relations Consultant, Information Specialist, Political Consultant

## Representative Employers:

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools, Law Firm of D. Colton Baker, LBJ Group (Law Firm), Journal Communications Inc., Memphis Public Schools.

International study is available for all TSU students and may include opportunities for internships or taking course work towards various minors. International study may have an impact on the academic map; therefore, it is important to consult with the academic advisor for this major before participating in an international program opportunity. Students interested in study abroad opportunities should contact the Office of International Programs and consult with their academic advisor.

This map is not intended to be a contract, either expressed or implied, between the University and the students, but represents a flexible program of the current curriculum which may be altered from time to time to carry out the academic objectives of the University. TSU specifically reserves the right to change, delete or add to any map at any time within the student's period of study at the University.