

POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR: SECONDARY LICENSURE EMPHASIS (WITH A 3+2 MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION)

The 3+2 Secondary and K-12 Licensure Program allows students to complete a B.A. in their academic major with an emphasis in Secondary and K-12 Licensure and a Master of Arts in Education in five years. Students apply to the program by December of their junior year. MUS majors interested in the program need to set up an individualized plan with their MUS and EDUC advisors. To be accepted into the 3+2 Program, each student must:

- Provide letters of recommendation from at least one Education Department faculty member and one faculty member from the student's major
- Prove content, as defined by the Colorado Department of Education
- Be accepted into Western's Teacher Licensure Program
- Successfully complete EDUC 340 (by Spring of junior year)
- Be on track to complete all coursework required within the academic major

Upon satisfactory completion of these requirements, students will be designated as "MAED candidates with provisional acceptance." Upon completion of the final undergraduate credits for the Western B.A., students will be designated as "MAED degree-seeking students." Students who have completed all other requirements of the 3+2 Secondary and K-12 Licensure Degree Program and all Western undergraduate requirements, yet choose to leave the MAED program before Year Five, will still have completed the BA in Secondary and K-12 Licensure, have earned 120 credits necessary for a Western undergraduate degree, and be eligible to apply for initial teacher licensure.

Program Requirements

This emphasis qualifies students for State of Colorado Licensure in Social Science Education. Students interested in pursuing this comprehensive program should consult with the Teacher Education Program advisor in addition to the advisor in their major as soon as possible. In addition, the student must fulfill the requirements of the Secondary Licensure 3+2 Program (<https://catalog.western.edu/graduate/programs/education/#programrequirementstext>) (see description under Education), and the following:

Code	Title	Credits
ECON 201	Macroeconomics (GT-SS1)	3
ECON 202	Microeconomics	3
ECON 303	International Economics and Globalization	3
ECON 476	American Economic Development	3
GEOG 110	World Regional Geography (GT-SS2)	3
GEOG 120	Introduction to Human Geography (GT-SS2)	3
GEOG 250	Geography of North America (GT-SS2)	3

GEOL 101	Physical Geology (GT-SC2)	3
HIST 100	Topics in World History (GT-HI1)	3
HIST 126	American History through Reconstruction (GT-HI1)	3
HIST 127	U.S. History from the Civil War (GT-HI1)	3
HIST 200	Historical Inquiry	3
HIST 327	Colorado History	3
POLS 117	Introduction to Political Ideas (GT-SS1)	3
POLS 180	Introduction to American Politics (GT-SS1)	3
POLS 255	Introduction to Comparative Politics (GT-SS1)	3
POLS 282	Issues in State and Local Government	3
POLS 300	Constitutional Law I	3
POLS 301	Constitutional Law II	3
POLS 376	American Political Thought	3
One of the following:		3
POLS 260	Introduction to World Politics (GT-SS1)	
POLS 360	American Foreign Policy	
Select one of the following:		3
POLS 485	Studies in Political Theory:	
POLS 486	Studies in American Politics:	
POLS 487	Studies in International Relations:	
POLS 488	Studies in Comparative Politics:	

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
ENG 102	Writing and Rhetoric I (GTC01)	3
HWTR 100	First Year Seminar	1
POLS 117	Introduction to Political Ideas (GT-SS1)	3
POLS 180	Introduction to American Politics (GT-SS1)	3
Gen Ed	General Education courses	3
HIST 100	Topics in World History (GT-HI1)	3
Credits		16
Spring		
ECON 201	Macroeconomics (GT-SS1)	3
Gen Ed	General Education courses	3
GEOL 101	Physical Geology (GT-SC2)	3
POLS 260	Introduction to World Politics (GT-SS1)	3
HIST 200	Historical Inquiry	3
ENG 103	Writing and Rhetoric II (GT-CO2)	3
Credits		18
Year Two		
Fall		
ECON 202	Microeconomics	3
Gen Ed	General Education courses	3
GEOG 110	World Regional Geography (GT-SS2)	3
HIST 126	American History through Reconstruction (GT-HI1)	3
POLS 282	Issues in State and Local Government	3
Credits		15
Spring		
ECON 303	International Economics and Globalization	3
Gen Ed	General Education courses	3
GEOG 250	Geography of North America (GT-SS2)	3
HIST 127	U.S. History from the Civil War (GT-HI1)	3
POLS 301	Constitutional Law II	3
Credits		15
Year Three		
Fall		
Gen Ed	General Education courses	3

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GEOG 120	Introduction to Human Geography (GT-SS2)	3
HIST 327	Colorado History	3
POLS 300	Constitutional Law I	3
POLS 309	Political Theory I- Ancient to Early Modern	3
Credits		15
Spring		
ECON 476	American Economic Development	3
EDUC 340	Application of Pedagogy and Practice	3
Gen Ed	General Education courses	3
POLS	POLS Capstone course	3
POLS 310	Political Theory II-Modern and Contemporary	3
Credits		15
Year Four		
Fall		
EDUC 403	Instruction & Assessment in Content Area	3
EDUC 405	Data-driven Instructional Practices	3
EDUC 604	Learning Environments	3
EDUC 609	Secondary Student Teaching	3
EDUC 624	Managing to Differentiate	3
Credits		15
Spring		
EDUC 606	Reading and Writing Across the Content Areas	3
EDUC 607	Rethinking Learning in the 21st Century	3
EDUC 609	Secondary Student Teaching	3
EDUC 629	Inclusion and English Learners	3
Credits		12
Total Credits		121