

# ACADEMIC PLANNING GUIDE

# EDUCATION: SPECIAL K-12 CERTIFICATION

NORTH PARK UNIVERSITY • CHICAGO • ILLINOIS

Revised July 2011

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
<b>First Year</b>	•NPU 1000: Dialogue I •BTS 1850: Introduction to the Bible •Foreign Language 1010 Option •Mathematics Option <b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	4 4 4 4 <b>16</b>	•Culture and Society Option •Fine Arts Option •Foreign Language 1020 Option •Science Quad/Science Quad Option <b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	4 2 4 2/2 <b>14</b>
<b>Second Year</b>	•NPD 2000: Dialogue II •Personal Development Option Major/Minor Option Major/Minor Option Major/Minor Option <b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	4 2 4 4 2 <b>16</b>	•Biblical Studies Option Major/Minor Option Major/Minor Option Major/Minor Option <b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	4 4 4 4 <b>16</b>
<b>Third Year</b>	EDUC Professional Terms A Major/Minor Option Major/Minor Option  <b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	9 4 4  <b>17</b>	EDUC Professional Terms B Major/Minor Option Major/Minor Option <b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	10 4 4 <b>17</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>	EDUC Professional Term C Major/Minor Option Major/Minor Option Major/Minor Option <b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	5 4 4 2 <b>15</b>	EDUC Professional Term D  <b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	16  <b>16</b>

• course meets a general education requirement

- Depending on when a student enters the Education Professional Term sequence and completes the necessary methods courses, the Professional Terms may vary due to distribution of courses and student teaching schedules.
- The above represents an ideal distribution of the courses required for certification. The School of Education along with your advisor may suggest a different sequence of courses for your professional term experiences.

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## Graduation Requirement:

120 semester hours, minimum

## General Education Requirements:

44 semester hours

The North Park Dialogue (12) Students in this professional program are not required to take NPD 3000.

- Dialogue I (4)
- Dialogue II (4)
- Dialogue III (4)
- Culture and Society (4)
- Personal Development (2)
- Biblical Studies (8)
  - BTS 1850 (4)
  - BTS option (2)
- Foreign Language (8)
  - 1010 Level (4)
  - 1020 Level (4)
- Mathematics (4)
- Fine Arts (2)
- Natural Science (4)
  - Biology (2)
  - Chemistry/Physics (2)

See General Education checklist for specific courses that will fulfill each requirement.  
<http://www.northpark.edu/generaleducation>

Some general education courses may meet course requirements for your major.

## Major Requirements:

**Required Semester Hours:** Refer to catalog for a complete listing of supporting and required courses.

- Art: 36 semester hours, minimum
- Foreign Language: 36 semester hours, minimum
- Physical Education: 36 semester hours, minimum
- Music: see separate academic planning sheet

**A student should meet with both a departmental major faculty member as well as an education department faculty for advising.**

## Additional Graduation Requirements

- Total of 120 semester hours, minimum. Additional courses may need to be taken to meet this requirement.
- Grade Point Average
  - Overall cumulative grade point average of 2.50
  - Cumulative grade point average in major and Education coursework of 2.75
- Last 30 semester hours must be taken at North Park
- Acceptance into the Teacher Education Program. A grade point average in education coursework of 2.75 is required.

## Education Requirements:

**Required Core Courses:** 36 semester hours, minimum

### EDUC Professional Term A (9 semester hours)

- EDUC 2120: Practicum A: Introduction to Teaching (1)
- EDUC 2130: Educational Psychology (2)
- EDUC 2140: Curriculum (2)
- EDUC 2145: Assessment (2)
- EDUC 2155: Teaching with Technology (2)

### EDUC Professional Term B (10 semester hours)

- EDUC 3011: Middle School and Adolescent Development (3)
- EDUC 3170: Instruction in Special K-12 Programs (2)
- EDUC 3430: Survey of Exceptional Learner (3)
- EDUC 3510: Practicum : Teaching Aiding (0)

ART majors:

- EDUC 3390: Methods and Materials for Teaching Art K-8 (2)

Foreign Language majors:

- EDUC 3290: Methods of Foreign Language K-8 (2)

Physical Education and Music majors please contact the advisor in your field of discipline.

### EDUC Professional Term C (5 semester hours)

- EDUC 3407: Methods of Teaching in the Middle and Secondary School (2)
- EDUC 3520: Practicum C (1)

Foreign Language majors only

- EDUC 3310: Methods of Teaching Reading and Language Arts in Grades 5-9 (2)

All Majors except Foreign Language

- EDUC 3315: Methods of Teaching Content Reading and Writing for Grades 5-9 (2)

### EDUC Professional Term D (16 semester hours)

- EDUC 3130 Multicultural Education (2)
- EDUC 4110: Student Teaching-Elementary (6)
- EDUC 4120: Student Teaching-Secondary (6)
- EDUC 4600: Educ. Phil. Capstone: Seminar for Student Teachers (2)

## Additional Notes:

### Illinois State Board of Education Teacher Exams:

**Basic Skills Test:** Students are required to pass the ISBE Basic Skills Test for acceptance into the program & placement for teacher aiding.

**Content Area Test:** Students are required to pass the ISBE Content Area Test prior to beginning student teaching.

**Assessment of Professional Teaching:** Students are required to pass the APT test prior to receiving a certificate

**Education Sequence Prerequisite:** Students must have completed 45 credit hours, and have a G.P.A. of 2.5 or above to enroll in Professional Term A.

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