AUSTIN COLLEGE
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
AUSTIN TEACHER PROGRAM

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING
SECONDARY EDUCATION
SAMPLE COURSE PLAN STUDENTS ADMITTED 2026 AND AFTER

This plan is for students seeking secondary or EC-12 certification via the MAT pathway

EDUC courses MUST be taken in the sequence below. Students MUST major in secondary education and have either a second MAJOR or a MINOR.

NAME:	AC ID #	CURRENT YEAR (FR/SO/JU/SR):	☐ TRANSFER STUDENT
MENTOR:	ATP ADVISOR:	DATE:	

FRESHMAN YEAR FALL 20 _____		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	REQ MET
EDUC 115 or	American Education (FA/SP)	PPI, SS
HUM #1		
FYS		
Major #1		
LOTE #1		

FRESHMAN YEAR SPRING 20 _____		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	REQ MET
EDUC 115 or	American Education (FA/SP)	PPI, SS #1
HUM #1		
Major #2		
LOTE #2		
SS #2		

JAN TERM #1: 20 _____: _____

SOPHOMORE YEAR FALL 20 _____		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	REQ MET
EDUC 215 or	How Humans Learn	SS
EDUC 205[1]	Education and Society	FW
Major #3		
LOTE #3		
Statistics	PSY 120 Recommended	QC

SOPHOMORE YEAR SPRING 20 _____		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	REQ MET
EDUC 215 or	How Humans Learn	SS
EDUC 205[1]	Education and Society	FW
Major #4		
SCI or Non-Lab SCI (NLS)		SCI/NLS
HIST 162[3] or	History of the U.S. to 1876	HUM #2
HIST 163[3] (FA/SP)	History of US from 1876 to Present	HUM #2

JAN TERM #2: 20 _____: _____

JUNIOR YEAR FALL 20 _____		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	REQ MET
EDUC 305[1]	Teaching by Design	AW
Major #5		
Major #6		
HUM #3		

JUNIOR YEAR SPRING 20 _____		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	REQ MET
EDUC 375[1]	Advanced Instruction Design for Teachers	APPL
EDUC 493	Teaching for Diversity and Inclusion	
Non-Lab SCI (NLS)		NLS
Major #7		AW

JAN TERM #3: 20 _____: _____

SENIOR YEAR FALL 20 _____		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	REQ MET
EDUC 563	Teaching in and Learning in the Disciplines	
EDUC 431	Literacy Across the Curriculum	
Major #8		
HUM #4		GLO

SENIOR YEAR SPRING 20 _____	
COURSE #	COURSE NAME
EDUC 549	Secondary Education
EDUC 553	Responsive Pedagogy and Practice
Elective	
Elective	

SUMMER 20_____		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	
EDUC 520	Educational Foundations	Courses meet M-F 9am-4pm; 2 wks. ea; Begin in June
EDUC 555	Leadership for Educators	
EDUC 598	Research and Assessment	

[3]**CLINICAL EXPERIENCE** M-F; 8:00am-4:00pm

OPTION 1 (FA & SP) PAID INTERNSHIP (2 SEM)		OPTION 2 (FA OR SP) CLINICAL TEACHING (1 SEM)	
EDUC 595	Internship (1 CR/SEM)	EDUC 595	Clinical Teaching (2 CR)
EDUC 597	Seminar	EDUC 597	Seminar

* Students pursuing the BS in Secondary Education with Teacher Certification or the MAT must apply for admission to the ATP in their junior year. See EDUCATION Department webpage for details.

1 These courses have field placements which require students to plan their schedules to have a 2-hour block of time they can be in a district classroom. Students must attend a mandatory placement meeting held the semester before taking these courses. Meeting dates are in course catalog notes. Students should consult EDUC faculty prior to registering to ensure these experiences do not conflict with other course times.

2 Teacher Certification in Texas is governed by the Texas Education Agency (TEA). Students pursuing Teacher Certification must meet this content requirement as prescribed by the TEA.

3 Students must complete all Program, Texas Education Agency, and AC requirements prior to enrolling.

AUSTIN COLLEGE COMPASS REQUIREMENTS

REQ	COURSE APPLIED	YR/SEM
FYS		
APPL (1)		
GLO		
PPI		
Quant Comp QC (1)		

REQ	COURSE APPLIED	YR/SEM
LANG = (3 SEM) 101		
LANG = (3 SEM) 102		
LANG = (3 SEM) 201		
FW (1)		
AW (2 CR/2 DISC)		
AW (2 CR/2 DISC)		

REQ	COURSE APPLIED	YR/SEM
HUM (4 CR/4 DISC)		
HUM (4 CR/4 DISC)		
HUM (4 CR/4 DISC)		
HUM (4 CR/4 DISC)		
SOC SCI (SS) (2 CR/2 DISC)		
SOC SCI (SS) (2 CR/2 DISC)		
SCI LAB (SC) (1 MIN)		
SCI / Lab (SC) or Non Lab (NLS)		

Grades 4-8 English Language Arts & Reading	
with Science of Teaching Reading	
* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in English (9 CR)	
Must Take:	
ENG 121	Interpreting Literature
Choose One:	ENG 250 to ENG 255 Various Topics
Choose One:	ENG 250 to ENG 258 Various Topics
Choose One:	ENG 285 or ENG 286
ENG 331	Studies in Medieval Literature
ENG 363	Studies in American Literature
ENG 364	Studies in World Literature
Choose One:	ENG 491, ENG 494, ENG 495

Grades 7-12 English Language Arts & Reading	
* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in English (9 CR)	
Courses in the English Major:	
ENG 121	Interpreting Literature
Choose One:	ENG 250 to ENG 258 Various Topics
Choose One:	ENG 285 or ENG 286
ENG 331	Studies in Medieval Literature
ENG 341	Studies in Early Modern Literature
ENG 363	Studies in American Literature
ENG 364	Studies in World Literature
Choose One:	ENG 491, ENG 494, ENG 495

Grades 4-8 Social Studies	
* Major in Secondary Ed	
* Major in Major in History, Political Science or Economics (8 CR)	
Must Take:	
HIST 133	Europe & the World to 1500
HIST 163	History of US from 1876 to Present
HIST 284	History of Texas
PSCI 110	Government & Politics
ECO 111	Principles of Economics

Grades 7-12 History	
* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in History (8 CR)	
Must Take:	
HIST 133	Europe & The World to 1500
HIST 143	Europe and the Modern World
HIST 162	History of US to 1876
HIST 163	History of US from 1876 to Present (HUM)
HIST 284	History of Texas
Choose One:	Any Non-Western History Course for History Major
Choose One:	Any European History 300 or Above
Choose One:	Any US History 300 or Above
Choose One:	Any History Elective 300 or Above

Grades 7-12 Life Science	
* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in Biology (9 CR)	
Must Take:	
BIOL 115	Evolution, Behavior & Ecology
BIOL 116	Cell Biology
BIOL 220	Vertebrate Biology
BIOL 230	Microbiology
BIOL 259	Conservation & Restoration Ecology
BIOL 324	Developmental Biology
BIOL 326	Animal Behavior
BIOL 337	Plant-Animal Interactions
BIOL 346 (AW)	Ecosystem Ecology
Choose One:	BIOL 220 or BIOL 326

Grades 4-8 Math	
Major in Secondary Ed & Math Minor	
Must Take the following courses:	
Choose One:	MATH 120 preferred, SSCI 120, or PSY 120
MATH 251	Linear Algebra
MATH 252	Calculus III
MATH 319	Euclidean Geometry, ancient through modern
MATH 321	Numerical Analysis

Grades 7-12 Math	
* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in Math (8 CR)	
Must Take:	
Choose One:	MATH 120 preferred, SSCI 120, or PSY 120
MATH 251	Linear Algebra
MATH 252	Calculus III
MATH 301	Ordinary Differential Equations
MATH 321	Numerical Analysis
MATH 385	Probability Theory
Choose One:	MATH 472, 473 or MATH 475
Choose One:	MATH 482 or 483

Grades 6-12 Physical Science	
* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in either Physics (10 CR) OR	
Major in Chemistry (9 CR)	
Major in Physics AND Choice Of CHEM 111 Intro to Chemistry	
or CHEM 112 Chemical Equilibria	
Major in Chemistry AND take PHY 105 or PHY 111	
CHEM 111	Intro to Chemistry
CHEM 112	Chemical Equilibria

ALL-LEVEL EC-12 ART

* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in Art (9 CR)	
Must Take:	
ART 113	Art Fundamentals
ART 114	Drawing
ART 495	Senior Conference
Choose Three	ARTH 200 level or higher (ARTH 231 & 232 recommended)
Choose One	ART 252 or 255
Choose Two:	ART or ARTH Electives 300 or Above)

ALL-LEVEL EC-12 MUSIC

* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in Music (10 to 10.25 CR)	
Must Take:	
MUS 090	Piano Proficiency Exam
MUS 091	Junior Level Exam
MUS 120	Music Theory I & Ear Training I
MUS 220	Music Theory II & Ear Training II
MUS 222	Music Theory III & Ear Training III
MUS 240	Music History through 1700
MUS 241	Music History 1700 through 1900
MUS 342	20th Century Music
MUS 361	Music in Elementary Schools
MUS 365	Conducting
MUS 495	Senior Recital
Applied Music; Total 1.0 CR for Music Education Concentration:	
These courses are < .25 SCH each. Choose Band, Choir, or Orchestra	MUS 371, MUS 373, MUS 374, MUS 375, MUS 376, MUS 377, MUS 378, MUS 379, MUS 471, MUS 473, MUS 474, MUS 475, MUS 476, MUS 477, MUS 478, MUS 479
Choose One:	MUS 310 or MUS 359
Choose One:	MUS 352, MUS 381 or MUS 382

ALL-LEVEL EC-12 PHYSICAL EDUCATION

* Major in Secondary Ed & Minor in Kinesiology (5 CR)	
Must Take:	
MUS 121	Intro to Exercise & Sport Studies
KINES 246	Nutrition for Health & Physical Activity
KINES 355	Teaching Movement Education
KINES 495	Senior Conference
Choose One:	KINES 300 level or higher elective

ALL-LEVEL EC-12 SPANISH

* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in Spanish recommended (8 CR)	
Must Take:	
SPAN 202	Intermediate Spanish
SPAN 227	Intermediate Conversation
SPAN 236	Advanced Spanish
SPAN 237	Advanced Conversation
SPAN 250	Intermediate Topics in Hispanic Civilization & Culture
SPAN 355	Peninsular Literature
SPAN 356	Spanish-American Literature
Choose One:	Elective SPAN 350 or Above
Note: Heritage Speakers should see Dr. Philipose.	

ALL-LEVEL EC-12 THEATRE

* Major in Secondary Ed & Major in Theatre. (9 to 10 CR)	
Must Take:	
THEA 142	Development of Dramatic Art I
THEA 143	Development of Dramatic Art II
THEA 221	Acting
THEA 352	Scene Design and Stage Lighting
THEA 353	Costume and Make-Up Design
THEA 471	Directing
THEA 493	Shapers of the Modern Theatre (Fall) (AW)
Choose One:	COMM or MEDA course and any additional theatre courses to meet requirements of the major not satisfied by the above courses.