

ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW PROGRAM FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION WITH A MAJOR IN MULTI-AGE EDUCATION

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish a new degree program, the Bachelor of Science in Education with a major in Multi-Age Education in the College of Education, effective Fall 2025.

Background

The proposal aims to create a new major for the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) certification for grades PK-12. This is a new certification grade band for Visual Arts and later World Language Education programs; thus, a new major is required. The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has created new professional development standards specifically for the PK-12 programs for which we must align assessment and coursework. Finally, there is a specific MTTC for PK-12 grade band certifications and having a specific major for all PK-12 certification programs will allow for improved MTTC preparation. This will align the programs with new certification grade bands outlined by MDE.

Program Description

The Bachelor of Science in Education (BSEd) with a major in Multi-Age Education leads to MDE teacher certification in Visual Arts Education and later World Language Education will be added in Arabic, French, and Spanish. Students will gain extensive classroom and clinical experience to develop the content, skills, and dispositions needed to work in PK-12 classrooms successfully. Candidates who successfully complete all program requirements will earn a graduate degree. Candidates must also pass the required Michigan Test(s) for Teacher Certification (MTTC) in order to be recommended for certification.

Admission Requirements

Undergraduate students entering Wayne State University, either from high school or transferring from other universities or colleges, are admitted directly into the College of Education.

Curriculum Requirements

A minimum of 120 credits are required for completion of this degree, including the University General Education Program.

Graduation Requirements

All coursework must be completed in accordance with the academic procedures of the College of Education and University governing undergraduate scholarship and degrees. All major, minor, and education courses must be completed with grades of 'C' or better and an overall 2.5 grade point average to meet College graduation requirements. Candidates must also meet the grade requirements for WSU General Education courses.

Program Administration

The program is supported by a program coordinator, associated faculty, and the Assistant Dean of Teacher Education.

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Budget and Resource Requirements

No new budget resources are required.

Accreditation

This program is approved by the MDE and is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation.

Approvals

The proposal was approved by the faculty of the Teacher Education Division, the Assistant Dean of Teacher Education, the Curriculum Committee for the College of Education, the Dean of the College of Education, and the Provost.