Secondary Education Major (with LD)
English Education Major
(for Freshman beginning Fall 2023)
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This advising sheet lays out a basic 4-year plan with all of the components necessary to graduate and become certified in Secondary English (5-9, 7-12). A candidate's actual 4-year plan should be worked out with an education advisor.

Anchor Plan (38-39 credits)

The Anchor Plan is required for all Hope College students and represents the general education liberal arts program. The following chart explains these requirements.

Requirement	Rule	Attribute
First Year Seminar	One IDS 100 -3 credits	FYS
Expository Writing	ENGL 113 -3 credits	EW
Health Dynamics	KIN 140 -2 credits	HD
Math and Natural Sciences	One math course -3/4 credits One NSL course -4 credits Any math or science course to reach 10 credits total	MA NSL MNS
Religion	One REL 100 course -3 credits One REL 200 course -3 credits *one course must have Christian Tenets	RL1 RL2 *TEN
Social Sciences ***Satisfied by major-no additional courses required**	**Both Social Science courses will be satisfied by students taking EDUC 200/1 and EDUC 457.**	~~SS1~~ ~~SS2~~
Arts and Humanities ***satisfied by major-no additional courses required** *The first course taken in the series must be at the 100-level, and the next two courses must be at the 200-level.*	One Arts in Practice -2/3 credits **One Human Creative Perspectives -3 credits*** One Philosophical Perspectives -3 credits One Historical Perspectives -3 credits +Prerequisite: ENGL 113 and one 100 level Arts and Humanities	ART ~~HCP~~ PHL HST
Human Diversities ***GLP courses can also count in another area**	Global Language-3 credits of <u>second level</u> fluency One US Diversities course (**satisfied by EDUC 200/1**) **One Global Perspectives course -3 credits***	GL2 ~~USD~~ GLP
Senior Seminar	IDS 492-3 credits	SRS

Secondary Education Major (44 credits)
5-9/ 7-12 grade bands

The professional sequence for all secondary education majors is listed below and is separated by level. Level 1 courses are designed to help candidates decide if education is the right career path. Once completed, candidates must choose their primary grade band, either 5-9 or 7-12. The other grade band becomes their secondary grade band. Level 2 courses are designed to have candidates learn the art of teaching. During Level 2 coursework, candidates must have 50 hours of clinical experience in their secondary grade band. Level 3 courses are taken during the student teaching semester and placement should be in a candidate's primary grade band.

Course #	Course Title	Credits
Level 1		
EDUC 200/1	Diversity Equity and Inclusion/Clinical Experience	3+1
EDUC 225/6	The Exceptional Child and Adolescent/Clinical Experience	3+1
EDUC 270	Foundations of Education	3
Level 2	**All candidates should apply for admission to the department during the semester that all three level 1 courses have been satisfied.**	
EDUC 275	Intro to Secondary Education and Instructional Design	3
EDUC 285/6	Literacy in the Content Area/Clinical Experience	3+1
EDUC 320	Assessment for Secondary Education	3
ENGL 380/1	Teaching Secondary School English/Clinical Experience	3+1
EDUC 360/1	Secondary Principles/Clinical Experience	3+1
Level 3	**All candidates should attend an informational meeting and apply to student teach two semesters before the semester they wish to student teach in.**	
EDUC 457	Student Teaching Seminar	2
EDUC 481 or EDUC 483	Student Teaching Secondary School (5-9) or Student Teaching Secondary School (7-12)	10

Special Education LD Minor (25 Credits)

The Special Education endorsement major in Learning Disabilities for Secondary teaching certificate consists of a minimum of 43 credits. Teacher candidates pursuing this major must also complete requirements for a minor in English or Mathematics.

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Semesters Taught
EDUC 253/254	Introduction to Learning Disabilities/Clinical Experience	4	Spring
EDUC 251	Assessment, Data and IEP Processes in Special Education	3	Both
EDUC 252	Advance Reading and Literacy Practices for the Special Education Student K-12	3	Both
EDUC 356	Classroom and Behavior Management and Applied Behavioral Analysis in Special Education	3	Both
EDUC 357	Clinical Experience for Learning Disabilities	3	Fall
EDUC 359	Instructional Design for L.D. Elementary Focus	3	Fall
EDUC 434	Instructional Design for L.D. Secondary Focus	3	Fall

English Education Major (33 Credits)
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The English Education major allows candidates to choose from various genres and eras. Please consult with an education advisor for your exact plan.

Genre	Course Title and Number	Credits	Offered
	Literature Courses	15 total credits	
Literature Elective 200-Level	ENGL 210 or ENGL 230 or ENGL 260	6	F, S
Diaspora Literature	ENGL 330 African ENGL 331 Latinx ENGL 333 Caribbean ENGL 335 African American ENGL 337 Asian American	3	S
Early Literature	ENGL 310 Medieval Literature OR ENGL 311 Shakespeare OR ENGL 313 Global Shakespeare OR ENGL 315 17th, 18th and Early 19th Century Brit & Am Lit	3	F
Literature Elective	ENGL 310 Medieval Literature ENGL 311 Shakespeare ENGL 313 Global Shakespeare ENGL 315 17th, 18th and Early 19th Century Brit and Am Lit ENGL 330 African/Caribbean Literature ENGL 331 Latinx American Literature ENGL 335 African American Literature ENGL 337 Asian American Literature ENGL 370 Authors/Works/Genres Literature ENGL 372 British Literature Survey ENGL 374 American Literature Survey ENGL 390 Individual Study	3	as needed S even as needed
	Writing Courses	6 total credits	
Writing	ENGL 153 Introduction to Creative Writing ENGL 154 Story Writing for Beginners ENGL 155 Poetry Writing for Beginners ENGL 156 Other Creative Writing Genres for Beginners ENGL 158 Nonfiction Writing for Beginners - Memoir	3	F, S as needed as needed as needed as needed

Writing Theory or Workplace Writing	ENGL 213 Writing Theory and Practice ENGL 214 Workplace Writing	3	F S
	Grammar or Linguistics	3	
Grammar or linguistics	ENGL 222 Standard American English Grammar ENGL 220 The Roots of English LING 364 Introduction to Language	3	F, S as needed
	Teaching Writing and Literature	6 total credits	
Pedagogy	EDU 288 Teaching Writing in Secondary Schools	3	F
Pedagogy	EDU 292 Teaching Literature in Secondary Schools	3	F
	Elective Course	3 total credits	
Elective-Writing/Lit	Choose one elective in Writing/Literature at the 200-300 level	3	

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This 4-year plan was intentionally constructed based on the sequential and scaffolded learning that will help candidates stay on track and be successful in the program. Any deviation to the plan should be done in conjunction with a candidate's education advisor.

	Fall – Year 1		Spring – Year 1		Summer – Year 1	
	COURSE	CR.	COURSE	CR.	COURSE	CR.
Educ Courses **English Courses** **Anchor Plan** **SPED COURSE**	**EDUC 200/201**	4	**EDUC 225/226**	4	**MNS**	**3**
	ENGL 113 (EW)	3	**ENGL 210, 230, or 260**	3		
	REL 100	3	**EDUC 270**	3		
	IDS 100 (FYS)	3	**NSL**	4		
	ART	3	**PHL or HIST**	3		
		16		**17**		
	Fall – Year 2		Spring – Year 2		Summer – Year 2	
	ENGL 220, 222, or LING 364	3	**EDUC 288 (F)**	3		
	ENGL 213 (F) or 214 (S)	3	**ENGL 153 CW**	3		
	ENGL 210, 230, or 260	3	**MA**	3	**Lang (GL 2)**	
	REL 200	3	**EDUC 253/4**	3		
	EDUC 275	3	**EDUC 251**	3		
	KIN 140 (HD)	2				
		17		**15**		
	Fall – Year 3		Spring – Year 3		Summer – Year 3	
	EDUC 285/286	4	**EDUC 320**	3		
	HIST or PHIL	3	**EDUC 252**	3		
	ENGL Diaspora	3	**ENGL Lit Elective**	3		
	ENGL Wrtg or Lit elective	3	**EDUC 292 (F)**	3		
	ENGL Early Lit	3	**EDUC 356**	3		
		16		**15**		
	Fall – Year 4		Spring – Year 4		Summer – Year 4	
*IDS 492 can be substituted if not taken during student teaching	**EDUC 360/361**	4	**EDUC 457**	2		
	ENGL 380/1	4	**EDUC 460**	10		
	EDUC 359	3	**IDS 452 (SRS)***	3		
	EDUC 357	3				
	EDUC 434	3				
		17		**15**		