



## Secondary Education - Undergraduate/Graduate 5<sup>th</sup>-Year Program

### Is this track right for me?

This program is designed for undergraduate students who are enrolled at the University of South Carolina and are interested in teaching high school. You will earn two degrees in five years of school--a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science and then a Master of Teaching (MT) degree. Upon completion you will be prepared to teach high school English, mathematics, science, or social studies.

### What will I study?

While completing your undergraduate major, you will take 12 - 15 hours in foundational education courses and have two field experiences in high school classroom settings. These foundational courses include Schools and Communities, Learning and the Diversity of Learning, The Teacher and Teaching, and Equity and Community Engagement.

In your 5th year, you will work alongside experienced coaching teachers in internships that allow you to learn innovative teaching methods to improve student learning through classroom placements. You will earn your MT degree at the end of the 5th year.

### Will I have to maintain a specific GPA as an undergraduate?

Yes. A minimum overall GPA of 2.75 and a minimum GPA of 2.75 in your major courses.

### What kind of work will I be able to do?

Upon graduating and becoming certified, you will be ready to teach 9th-12th grade. There are options outside traditional classroom settings, such as educational programming for museums, camps or other organizations. Many of our graduates pursue careers in youth advocacy and state agencies, or seek school or district administration certification.

### Program Accreditation

Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP)  
National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE)  
National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM)  
National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)  
National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS)

### Advantages of the Five-year Program

- **More career options with two degrees in just 5 years.**
- **Teacher salary increases by approximately \$4,500/yr with a master's degree in many states.**
- **Strong preparation in your subject area.**
- **Get real-world experience working in high school classrooms.**
- **Excellent record of placement in schools for students graduating from this program.**

**Make a positive impact in teens' lives**  
with your passion for English, science, math, or social studies.  
**Teach high school.**

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 [sc.edu/education](https://sc.edu/education)

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