

Extension of Secondary (8-12) or World Language (P-12) certification to Middle Grades (5-9) OR adding Middle Grades (5-9) content area

Kentucky certified teachers in Secondary Education (grades 8-12) may extend certification to Middle Grades Education (grades 5-9) through this program. In addition, Kentucky certified Middle Grades Education teachers may add another Middle Grades certification area through this program.

A minimum 2.75 degree grade point average and a current Kentucky teaching license in Secondary Education is required for admission. Candidates apply as graduate, non-degree seeking students.

The program requires specific, undergraduate courses in the selected content area with a minimum 2.50 content grade point average. Please review the links below for a listing of the content courses required:

English/Language Arts (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/m-language>)

Mathematics (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/m-math>)

Science (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/m-science>)

Social Studies (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/m-social-studies>)

In addition to the content course requirements, the following Education courses are required:

EDTP/EDAP 541, Middle Level Learner (3 credit hours)

OR Three years middle grades teaching experience

EDAP 511 or EDTP 620, Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum (3 credit hours)

EDTP/EDAP 6XX, Practicum/Field Experience (1-3 credit hours)

Upon successful completion of the required course work and field experiences, candidates must submit a passing score for the appropriate content PRAXIS exam as required by the Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board: <http://www.ets.org/praxis/ky>. In some cases, the Secondary PRAXIS content exam may be used to satisfy the requirement for the Middle Grades PRAXIS content exam. Please contact the Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board for confirmation. Please note that the Middle Grades PLT is not required if the candidate has passed the secondary PLT PRAXIS exam.