Secondary Education (SCED)

Courses

SCED 3720. Reading Writing Content Areas. 3 Hours.
Required for all Secondary Education Teaching (SET) students. This course prepares teacher candidates to facilitate reading, writing, and study skills in the content areas at the middle school and secondary school level. Extensive background in literacy and teaching strategies will be provided during the lecture portion of the course. Teacher candidates will practice and apply pedagogical skills during a field experience in the public schools. Combined lecture/practicum. Course fee required. Prerequisite: Admission to DSU Secondary Education Teaching (SET) Licensure Program. FA.

SCED 4100. Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment. 3 Hours.
Required for all Secondary Education Teaching (SET) students. This course examines research-based curricular, instructional, and assessment issues, and national, state, and district standards. Prepares secondary education teacher candidates to unwrap state content standards and write objectives/enduring understandings, design formative and summative assessments, and align instruction with objectives and assessments. The primary models for this course will include Understanding by Design (UbD) and Professional Learning Communities (PLC). Combined lecture/practicum. Prerequisite: Admission to the DSU Secondary Education Teaching (SET) Licensure Program. FA.

SCED 4600. Classroom Management. 3 Hours.
Required for all Secondary Education Teaching (SET) students. This course is designed for the management and leadership of the middle and high school classrooms. Areas include: discipline, procedures and routines, interpersonal relationships, classroom environment, learner motivation, and parental involvement. Students will design a comprehensive Classroom Management Plan (CMP). Combined lecture/practicum course. Prerequisite: Admission to the DSU Secondary Education Teaching (SET) Licensure Program. FA.

SCED 4700. Content Methods Course. 3 Hours.
Required for all Secondary Education Teaching (SET) students. Education and academic content faculty will work together to ensure content knowledge and effective pedagogy are appropriate for secondary (grades 6-12) learning environments. Lecture, seminar discussion, and practicum experiences in local secondary schools are the modes of instruction for this course. Teacher candidates will develop lesson plans based on national and state standards that include subject matter, instructional methods, assessments, and analysis of student learning from their practicum experience. Can be substituted with an equivalent methods course in a specific content area. Combined lecture/practicum. Prerequisite: Admission to the DSU Secondary Education Teaching (SET) Licensure Program. FA.

SCED 4900. Secondary Student Teaching. 10 Hours.
Required for all Secondary Education Teaching (SET) students. Thirteen (13) weeks of full-time student teaching in a secondary school classroom (grades 7-12). Cooperating (mentor) teachers support teacher candidates as they are given responsibility of all aspects of teaching and learning in the classroom. DSU faculty members supervise and evaluate the teacher candidates using the department of education assessment tool. At the successful conclusion of the course, the teacher candidate will have completed the required content coursework and the student teaching requirement, and they will be eligible for the Utah Secondary Teaching License. Prerequisite: Admission to the Dixie State University Secondary Education Teaching (SET) program. Corequisite: SCED 4989. SP.

SCED 4989. Student Teaching Seminar. 2 Hours.
For secondary education licensure students during their student teaching experience. Teacher candidates debrief and collaborate about special topics such as classroom management, lesson and unit design, assessments, and instructional strategies. A special focus will be made in regards to the students’ experiences in the school classroom setting. The purpose of the capstone course is to solidify the pre-service experiences, present the professional e-portfolio and teacher work sample in its entirety and to develop the skills and knowledge necessary to find a teaching position. Course fee required. Prerequisite: Admission to the DSU Secondary Education Program. SP.