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EDUCATION FOR LIFE.

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# Social Studies Education

*(Master's Degree)*



SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION

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The Social Studies Education Master's degree is the only program in the state that is solely focused on Social Studies Education for in-service teachers who are interested in learning both content and pedagogy related specifically to the field in which they are currently teaching. These courses will bring new perspectives to the various content areas, including ideas on how to work with both state and national standards, and allow you to develop new instructional and assessment strategies for your classroom. This program is designed to accommodate teachers currently employed fulltime in their field and provides content course options that will give them the ability to teach Senior-to-Sophomore and/or College-in-the-Schools courses at the secondary level offering a choice of Economics, Geography, History, or Political Science (government/civics). It also provides an option to choose an Education Technology Integration path if that better suits the needs of the student and their career.

## Program Highlights

- Engage in coursework that allows for growth specific to Social Studies Education pedagogy and content.
- Perfect for teachers seeking to gain certification to teach College-in-the-Schools or Senior-to-Sophomore courses.
  - Additional certificates can be added to the master's degree to provide the ability to teach in more than one subject.
- Opportunities to travel and/or study abroad at historic/civic sites both in the U.S. and internationally during summer sessions.
- No GRE required.
- Select paths within the program are available fully online.
- Scholarship and Financial Aid eligible!

## Quick Facts

- 36 Credit MS Program
- Core Courses (18 Credits):
  - SSE 560 - Methods in Political Geography
  - SSE 570/SSE 640 - World Regional Studies
  - SSE 630 - History and Political Problems in Social Studies
  - SSE 640 - Trends in Teaching Economics
  - EDAD 620 - Law for School Leaders OR EDAD 633 - Assessment for School Leaders
  - SSE 699 - Master's Culminating Project
- Elective paths (18 Credits):
  - Economics
  - Geography
  - History
  - Political Science
  - Technology Integration focus
  - OR mix-and-match your electives between content and education courses

**Complete the program in 4-6 semesters**

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# Economics for Educators

## *(Graduate Certificate)*

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The Economics for Educators graduate certificate is designed for teachers to enhance their knowledge and training through advanced content in economics. Completion of the certificate fulfills the path-to-18 requirement to teach Senior-to-Sophomore or College-in-the-Schools courses in economics. This certificate can be taken on it's own or in combination with the Social Studies Education master's degree.

### Program Highlights

- Engage in coursework that allows for growth specific to Economics Education.
- Perfect for teachers seeking to gain certification to teach College-in-the-Schools or Senior-to-Sophomore courses.
- Opportunities to travel and/or study abroad at historic/civic sites both in the U.S. and internationally during summer session in partnership with Social Studies Education.
- No GRE required.
- Select paths within the program are available fully online.
- Scholarship and Financial Aid eligible!

### Quick Facts

- 18 Credit Graduate Certificate Program
- Possible Course Offerings Include:
  - ECON 505- Intermediate Macroeconomics
  - ECON 506 - Intermediate Microeconomics
  - ECON 565 - Urban and Regional Economics
  - ECON 571 - Money and Banking
  - ECON 573 - Labor Economics
  - ECON 584 - Economics of Immigration
- Pairs well with a Social Studies Education or Economics Master's Degree
- Perfect for licensed teachers seeking new opportunities within education
- Complete the certificate in 3 semesters!

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# Geography for Educators

*(Graduate Certificate)*

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The Geography for Educators graduate certificate is designed for teachers to enhance their knowledge and training through advanced content in geography. Completion of the certificate fulfills the path-to-18 requirement to teach Senior-to-Sophomore or College-in-the-Schools courses in geography. This certificate can be taken on it's own or in combination with the Social Studies Education master's degree.

## Program Highlights

- Engage in coursework that allows for growth specific to Geography Education.
- Perfect for teachers seeking to gain certification to teach College-in-the-Schools or Senior-to-Sophomore courses.
- Opportunities to travel and/or study abroad at historic/civic sites both in the U.S. and internationally during summer session in partnership with Social Studies Education.
- No GRE required.
- Select paths within the program are available fully online.
- Scholarship and Financial Aid eligible!

## Quick Facts

- 18 Credit Graduate Certificate Program
- Possible Course Offerings Include:
  - GEOG 501 - Geog. of the British Isles
  - GEOG 571 - Historical Geography
  - GEOG 576 - GIS for Educators
  - GEOG 578 - Urban Planning
  - GEOG 586 - Political Geography
  - GEOG 595 - Geography of MN
  - GEOG 595 - Geography of Europe
  - GEOG 610 - Research Methods in Geog.
- Pairs well with a Social Studies Education or Geography: GIS Master's Degree.
- Perfect for licensed teachers seeking new opportunities within education
- Complete the certificate in 3 semesters!

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The "Teaching Concurrent Enrollment History Courses Certificate" provides a credential for Social Studies teachers who seek to offer college level history courses in high school spaces. Applicants to this graduate program must have completed a minimum of 12 credits in undergraduate history coursework beyond undergraduate general education requirements. Once accepted into the program, teachers will have the opportunity to take 18 credits of graduate level coursework (500-600 level courses). This will make it possible for teachers to meet the Higher Learning Commission requirement for offering concurrent enrollment courses in history. Available 500-600 level courses include face-to-face, hybrid, and distance-offered options.

### Program Highlights

- Engage in coursework that allows for growth specific to History Education.
- Perfect for teachers seeking to gain certification to teach College-in-the-Schools or Senior-to-Sophomore courses.
- Opportunities to travel and/or study abroad at historic/civic sites both in the U.S. and internationally during summer session in partnership with Social Studies Education.
- No GRE required.
- Select paths within the program are available fully online.
- Scholarship and Financial Aid eligible!

### Quick Facts

- 18 Credit Graduate Certificate Program
- Possible Course Offerings Include:
  - HIST 508 - Europe & World War I
  - HIST 509 - Europe & World War II
  - HIST 521 - Revolutionary America
  - HIST 570 - World History
  - HIST 645 - Applied World History
- Pairs well with the Social Studies Education or History master's programs.
- Perfect for licensed teachers seeking new opportunities within education
- Complete the certificate in 3 semesters!

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# Political Science for Educators



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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

## *(Graduate Certificate)*

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The Political Science for Educators graduate certificate is designed for teachers to enhance their knowledge and training through advanced content in political science. Completion of the certificate fulfills the path-to-18 requirement to teach Senior-to-Sophomore or College-in-the-Schools courses in political science (gov't/civics). This certificate can be taken on it's own or in combination with the Social Studies Education master's degree.

### Program Highlights

- Engage in coursework that allows for growth specific to Political Science (gov't/civics) Education.
- Perfect for teachers seeking to gain certification to teach College-in-the-Schools or Senior-to-Sophomore courses.
- Opportunities to travel and/or study abroad at historic/civic sites both in the U.S. and internationally during summer session in partnership with Social Studies Education.
- No GRE required.
- Select paths within the program are available fully online.
- Scholarship and Financial Aid eligible!

### Quick Facts

- 18 Credit Graduate Certificate Program
- Possible Course Offerings Include:
  - POL 534 - Pol. of the Arab Peninsula
  - POL 557 - Spies & Espionage
  - POL 553 - Environmental Politics
  - POL 556 - Terrorism, Insurgency & World Politics
  - POL 565 - Modern Ideologies
  - POL 595 - Special Topics: Media
- Pairs well with the Social Studies Education master's program.
- Perfect for licensed teachers seeking new opportunities within education
- Complete the certificate in 3 semesters!

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# Technology Integration

*(Graduate Certificate)*



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This graduate certificate fosters learning around technology integration within modern learning experiences through the design, development, implementation, and evaluation of learning. The program develops a well-rounded set of skills from integrating technology, to developing eLearning modules, and the basics of planning professional development/learning experiences. This program is a great option for educators looking to deepen their knowledge in educational technology.

## Program Highlights

- Engage in coursework that allows for authentic application and direct connections to your career
- Gain the skills necessary to increase the application of technology in your classroom, training environment or other workplaces
- Work directly with a wide variety of technologies to develop projects that demonstrate your ability to fully integrate technology into your chosen field
- Teachers who earn the certificate are recognized as leaders in the successful incorporation of technology into the classroom environment
- Complete the full certificate in as little as 1 year
- District cohort partnerships available

## Quick Facts

- **15 Credit Graduate Certificate Program**
- **Core Courses**
  - ED 534 Technology Integration
  - ED 654 Instruction and Assessment
  - ED 657 Educational Multimedia Design and Application
  - ED 659 Enhancing Curriculum w/Technology
  - ED 614 Action Research
- **Pairs well with Social Studies Education, Educational Leadership and Technology, Curriculum & Instruction or MS Programs**
- **No GRE Requirement**
- **Perfect for licensed teachers seeking new opportunities within education**
- **Scholarship and Financial Aid eligible!**

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