

MIDDLE-LEVEL SOCIAL STUDIES (4-8), BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION (BSED)

All candidates completing this program and student teaching are eligible to receive Pennsylvania certification after achieving a passing or qualifying score on Pennsylvania Department of Education required exam(s). If you are interested in teaching in another state, please contact the Department of Education in that state.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

The Learner and Learning - Young Adolescent Development (SRU UG 2, 3, 5, 9)

Middle Level Curriculum (SRU UG 2, 9)

Middle Level Philosophy and School Organization (SRU UG 5, 7, 8, 9)

Middle Level Instruction and Assessment (SRU UG 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10)

Middle Level Professional Roles (SRU UG 4, 5, 7, 8, 9)

Degree Program Writing Competency (SRU UG 1)

Related Links

Middle-Level Education - Social Studies, BSED Program Page (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/majors-and-minors/middle-level-education-social-studies/>)

Professional Licensure/Certification Page (<https://www.sru.edu/students/student-consumer-information/professional-licensures/>)

Curriculum Guide

GPA Requirement

GPA must be 3.0 or higher for Teacher Candidacy.

A 3.0 GPA and passing subject area assessment (PECT) or a 2.8 GPA and a *qualifying* passing subject area assessment (PECT) score (as determined by PDE) is required for certification.

Summary*

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| | Rock Studies 2 Requirements | 42 |
| | Other Basic Requirements | 0-3 |
| | Major Requirements | 76 |

* All undergraduate degree programs require a minimum of 120 credits. Some courses meet multiple requirements, but are only counted once toward the 120 credit total required to graduate.

Rock Studies 2 Requirements

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| The Rock | | |
| SUBJ 139 | Foundations of Academic Discovery ¹ | 3 |
| ENGL 102 | Critical Writing | 3 |

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| ENGL 104 | Critical Reading | 3 |
| STAT 152 | Elementary Statistics I | 3 |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| COMM 200 | Civil Discourse: Theory & Practice | |
| PHIL 110 | Ethics and Civil Discourse | |
| POLS 235 | Civil Discourse and Democracy | |
| Subtotal | | 15 |

Integrated Inquiry

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| <i>Creative and Aesthetic Inquiry</i> | | |
| Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/) | | 3 |

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| <i>Humanities Inquiry</i> | | |
| HIST 180 | Spotlight on the Past | 3 |

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| <i>Social Science Inquiry</i> | | |
| POLS 101 | American National Government | 3 |

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| <i>Natural Sciences Inquiry</i> | | |
| SCI 101 | Science of Life | 3 |

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| <i>Physical Sciences Inquiry</i> | | |
| SCI 102 | Understanding the Physical World | 3 |
| Subtotal | | 15 |

Additional Rock Studies 2 Requirements (12 credits)

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| MATH 210 | Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I | 3 |
| MATH 310 | Mathematics for Elementary Teachers II | 3 |
| SPED 121 | Overview of Special Education | 3 |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |

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| HIST 151 | Ancient World to the Age of Global Encounters | |
| HIST 152 | Early Modern to Contemporary World | |

Total Hours 42

¹ Course offered in multiple subjects; cannot take course in first major subject.

Basic Math Requirement

Check with your adviser or a current degree audit report to see if you have been exempted from this course. The credit earned in this course will not be counted toward the 120 credit hour minimum needed to earn a degree.

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| Complete one of the following: | | 0-3 |
| Meet required minimum SAT or ACT math score OR | | |
| ESAP 110 | Beginning Algebra | |

Total Hours 0-3

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION REQUIREMENT

Students must take and pass a course with the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation prior to graduation. Students can meet this requirement by taking any DEI - designated course in any program at any time during their undergraduate career.

Major Requirements

- 40 major credits must be taken at SRU or PASSHE
- 40 major credits must be taken at the 300 level or above

- All grades in Professional Education & Specialization must be grades of "C" or above.

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| Middle Level Education | | |
| SEFE 200 | Introduction to Education, Teaching Methods and Field ¹ | 3 |
| SEFE 230 | Production and Utilization of Instructional Technology ¹ | 3 |
| SEFE 251 | Teaching Reading in the Content Areas Grades 4-8 ¹ | 3 |
| SEFE 300 | Middle Level Cognitive Development ¹ | 3 |
| SEFE 326 | ELL Strategies and Practice ¹ | 3 |
| Choose one of the following: | | 3 |
| SEFE 335 | Teaching Middle Level Social Studies ¹ | |
| SEFE 522 | Teaching of Middle Level and Secondary Social Studies and the Engl Language Arts for the Humanities | |
| SEFE 338 | Standards-Based Instruction & Assessment in the Inclusionary Classroom ¹ | 3 |
| SEFE 342 | Educational Psychology for Diverse Learners ¹ | 3 |
| SEFE 370 | Educational Measurements, Assessment and Evaluation ¹ | 3 |
| SEFE 380 | History and Philosophy of Education ¹ | 3 |
| SEFE 426 | Practicum in Middle-Level & Secondary Education ¹ | 1 |
| SEFE 456 | Student Teaching - Middle Level Grades ^{1,2} | 12 |
| SPED 121 | Overview of Special Education ^{1,3} | 3 |
| SPED 315 | Special Education Issues in Diverse Secondary Classrooms ^{1,2} | 3 |
| Subtotal | | 49 |
| Social Studies Certification Specialization | | |
| HIST 180 | Spotlight on the Past ³ | 3 |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| HIST 151 | Ancient World to the Age of Global Encounters ³ | |
| HIST 152 | Early Modern to Contemporary World ³ | |
| HIST 435 | Pennsylvania | 3 |
| POLS 101 | American National Government ³ | 3 |
| HIST 300/400 level | | 3 |
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| Select two Social Studies courses from the following: | | 6 |
| ECON 105 | Economics of Social Issues | |
| ECON 201 | Principles of Macroeconomics | |
| ECON 202 | Principles of Microeconomics | |
| GES 105 | World Regional Geography | |
| GES 170 | Discover Geography | |
| INDP 106 | Race and Ethnic Diversity in the USA | |
| INDP 201 | Principles of Sociology | |
| INDP 202 | Introduction to Anthropology | |
| PSYC 105 | Introduction to Psychology | |
| Select one History course from the following: | | 3 |
| HIST 201 | Colonial US to the Civil War Era | |
| HIST 202 | US Civil War Era to Present | |

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| Subtotal | 27 |
| Total Hours | 76 |

¹ Course counts for 50% of Major requirements but not for Major GPA

² SPED 315 & SEFE 456 must be taken in the same semester.

³ Credits earned in these courses will be applied to Rock Studies 2.

* Some courses may require pre-requisites. Please see course descriptions to determine if there are any pre-requisites for that specific course.

Grades 4-6 Core Content Areas

- To meet the English Language Arts 12 credit Pennsylvania Department of Education requirements, students must complete SEFE 251 – Teaching Reading in the Content Areas Grades 4-8 if they have not completed ENGL 102.

| Code | Title | Hours |
|---|--|-----------|
| English/Language Arts | | |
| ENGL 102 | Critical Writing ¹ | 3 |
| ENGL 104 | Critical Reading ¹ | 3 |
| ENGL 305 | Practicum: Teaching Writing | 3 |
| ENGL 328 | Young Adult Literature | 3 |
| Math | | |
| STAT 152 | Elementary Statistics I ¹ | 3 |
| MATH 118 | Elementary Geometry | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I ¹ | 3 |
| MATH 310 | Mathematics for Elementary Teachers II ¹ | 3 |
| Science | | |
| SCI 101 | Science of Life ¹ | 3 |
| SCI 102 | Understanding the Physical World ¹ | 3 |
| Select two of the following classes from different departments: | | 6 |
| BIOL 101 | General Biology | |
| BIOL 105 | Environmental Biology | |
| BIOL 110 | The Human Body: Fundamentals of Structure and Physiology | |
| BIOL 209 | Human Anatomy and Physiology I | |
| BIOL 216 | Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab | |
| CHEM 104 | Introduction Chemistry I | |
| CHEM 107 | General Chemistry I | |
| EGEO 100 | Environmental Geology | |
| EGEO 101 | Physical Geology | |
| EGEO 121 | Meteorology/Lab | |
| PHYS 101 | Concepts of Science I with Lab | |
| PHYS 201 | Elements of Physics I with Lab | |
| PHYS 211 | General Physics I with Lab | |
| Subtotal | | 36 |
| Total Hours | | 36 |

¹ Credits earned in these courses will be applied to Rock Studies 2.

Prerequisites for Admission to Teacher Candidacy

- Teacher candidacy requires a minimum of 3.0 GPA with no basic skills or a 2.8 GPA with demonstration that basic skills have been met.

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| Basic Courses | | |
| ENGL 102 | Critical Writing | 3 |
| ENGL 104 | Critical Reading | 3 |
| SEFE 200 | Introduction to Education, Teaching Methods and Field | 3 |
| SEFE 230 | Production and Utilization of Instructional Technology | 3 |
| SPED 121 | Overview of Special Education | 3 |
| Math Requirement | | |
| Select 6 credits from the following: | | 6 |
| MATH 113 | Mathematics as a Liberal Art | |
| MATH 115 | Financial Mathematics | |
| MATH 117 | Quantitative Reasoning | |
| MATH 118 | Elementary Geometry | |
| MATH 120 | Intermediate Algebra | |
| MATH 122 | Finite Mathematics with Matrices | |
| MATH 123 | Introduction to Applied Calculus | |
| MATH 125 | Precalculus | |
| MATH 131 | Discrete Mathematics | |
| MATH 225 | Calculus I | |
| STAT 152 | Elementary Statistics I | |
| Total Hours | | 21 |

Important Curriculum Guide Notes

This Curriculum Guide is provided to help SRU students and prospective students better understand their intended major curriculum. Enrolled SRU students should note that the My Rock Audit may place already-earned and/or in progress courses in different, yet valid, curriculum categories. Enrolled SRU students should use the My Rock Audit Report and materials and information provided by their faculty advisers to ensure accurate progress towards degree completion. *The information on this guide is current as of the date listed. Students are responsible for curriculum requirements at the time of enrollment at the University.*

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MIDDLE-LEVEL SOCIAL STUDIES (4-8) - BSED (1234)

This program is effective as of Fall 2023

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Recommended Four-Year Plan

| Course | Title | Hours |
|-------------------|--|-----------|
| First Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| ENGL 102 | Critical Writing | 3 |
| ESAP 101 | FIRST Seminar * | 1 |
| HIST 180 | Spotlight on the Past | 3 |
| SCI 101 | Science of Life | 3 |
| STAT 152 | Elementary Statistics I | 3 |
| SUBJ 139 | Foundations of Academic Discovery ¹ | 3 |
| Hours | | 16 |

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| Spring | | |
| SEFE 200 | Introduction to Education, Teaching Methods and Field | 3 |
| ENGL 104 | Critical Reading | 3 |
| MATH 118 | Elementary Geometry | 3 |
| SCI 102 | Understanding the Physical World | 3 |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| COMM 200 | Civil Discourse: Theory & Practice | |
| PHIL 110 | Ethics and Civil Discourse | |
| POLS 235 | Civil Discourse and Democracy | |
| Hours | | 15 |

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| Second Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| SEFE 230 | Production and Utilization of Instructional Technology | 3 |
| POLS 101 | American National Government | 3 |
| SPED 121 | Overview of Special Education | 3 |
| BIO/CHEM/EGEO/PHYS Course 1 | | 3 |
| Social Studies Course Major | | 3 |
| Hours | | 15 |

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| Spring | | |
| SEFE 326 | ELL Strategies and Practice | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I | 3 |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| HIST 151 | Ancient World to the Age of Global Encounters | |
| HIST 152 | Early Modern to Contemporary World | |
| BIO/CHEM/EGEO/PHYS Course 2 | | 3 |
| Social Studies Certification Specialization Course | | 3 |
| Hours | | 15 |

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| Third Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| SEFE 370 | Educational Measurements, Assessment and Evaluation | 3 |
| SEFE 380 | History and Philosophy of Education | 3 |
| ENGL 328 | Young Adult Literature | 3 |
| MATH 310 | Mathematics for Elementary Teachers II | 3 |
| Creative & Aesthetic Inquiry (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/) | | 3 |
| Hours | | 15 |

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| Spring | | |
| SEFE 300 | Middle Level Cognitive Development | 3 |
| SEFE 342 | Educational Psychology for Diverse Learners | 3 |
| ENGL 305 | Practicum: Teaching Writing | 3 |
| Social Studies Certification Specialization Course | | 3 |
| Social Studies Certification Specialization Course | | 3 |
| Hours | | 15 |

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| Fourth Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| SEFE 251 | Teaching Reading in the Content Areas Grades 4-8 | 3 |
| SEFE 335 | Teaching Middle Level Social Studies | 3 |

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| Social Studies Course Major | | 3 |
| SEFE 338 | Standards-Based Instruction & Assessment in the Inclusionary Classroom | 3 |
| SEFE 426 | Practicum in Middle-Level & Secondary Education | 1 |
| Social Studies Certification Specialization Course | | 3 |
| Hours | | 16 |
| Spring | | |
| SEFE 456 | Student Teaching - Middle Level Grades | 12 |
| SPED 315 | Special Education Issues in Diverse Secondary Classrooms | 3 |
| Hours | | 15 |
| Total Hours** | | 122 |

¹ Course offered in multiple subjects; cannot take course in first major subject

* Students are encouraged to take ESAP 101 as a Free Elective.

*** This document is meant to serve as a guide. Some planners may show more than 120 credits because faculty have created flexibility in choosing courses. However, only 120 credits are required to obtain a degree. Please consult with your academic adviser and refer to your curriculum guide prior to registering for courses. This plan should be reviewed, and verified, by you and your academic adviser at least once each academic year.*

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