MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION (MGED)

MGED 3314. Mathematics in the Middle Grades. (3 Credits)
Basic concepts in algebra are stressed with emphasis placed upon a structural development of the real number system. This course offers a review of the real number system as well as a review of the Mathematics Curriculum normally found in Grades 4 – 8. The candidate must earn a minimum grade of ‘B’ to receive credit on the program of study for this course.

MGED 3315. Curriculum Needs and Characteristics of the Middle School Child. (3 Credits)
This course is designed to provide pre-service teachers with an overview of the curriculum needs and characteristics of middle grade children, along with program rationale goals, principles of curriculum development, organizational designs and teaching strategies. The candidate must earn a minimum grade of ‘C’ to receive credit on the program of study for this course.

MGED 3326. Preadolescent Literature. (3 Credits)
This course is a survey of the types of literature appropriate for students in grades 4-8. Emphasis is placed upon extensive reading and evaluation of children's books as well as techniques for effective use in the classroom. Candidates must earn a minimum grade of C to receive credit for this course in the program of study.

MGED 4422. Social Studies in the Middle Grades. (3 Credits)
This course teaches principles and practices of teaching concepts and skills in Social Studies.

MGED 4423. Language Arts in the Middle Grades. (3 Credits)
This course is designed to give prospective teachers of middle grade students the knowledge and skills necessary to assist youth in becoming efficient in their use of the six linguistic skills of listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing (visually representing), and illustrating for the overall purpose of effective communication in our culturally diverse society. This in turn will ensure wise decision-making and responsible citizenship in our democratic society. As such, the course is an integrated overview of the principles, practices, and materials used in teaching language arts for verbal, non-verbal and written communication. Additionally, it offers prospective teachers the opportunity to assist certified teachers in the public schools.

MGED 4434. Science in Middle Grades. (3 Credits)
This course examines teaching strategies appropriate for middle grade students to understand physical and biological concepts. Problem-solving, lecture, and inquiry techniques are examined. Candidates must earn a minimum grade of C to receive credit for this course in the program of study.

MGED 4439. Reading in the Middle Grades. (3 Credits)
Course designed to focus attention on reading instruction as it relates to the particular needs of the early adolescent in the middle grades. The goal is to prepare prospective teachers to teach reading across the curriculum and as a separate subject.

MGED 4461. Student Teaching in Middle Grades. (12 Credits)
Observation and teaching for one semester under the direction of an approved supervising teacher in selected middle school centers. A seminar component is included.

MGED 4481. Internship in Middle Grades Education. (6 Credits)
Teaching middle school children in appropriate classroom settings under supervision. Designed for in-service classroom teachers only.

MGED 4482. Intern II in Middle Grades. (6 Credits)
Teaching middle school children in appropriate classroom settings under supervision. Designed for in-service classroom teachers only.