

Certification Information

Department of Middle, Secondary, Reading, and Distance Education

Introduction

Thank you for your interest in the Secondary English Education program at Valdosta State University for your professional teaching career. You have been admitted into a certification program in Secondary English Education at one of the Secondary Education Programs. All applicants must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution with a minimum acceptable GPA (2.75 effective fall 2014) and have completed the required coursework. Additionally, you must have passed or exempted from the Georgia Professional Standards Commission Program Admission Assessment (formerly known as the Basic Skills Assessment) in the content field (e.g., English) at either the Secondary Education (220) or professional level (220). The GACE Program Admission Assessment can be exempted by specific scores on the SAT (1000), ACT (43) or GRE (1030).

At the completion of the required coursework and the assessment (or exemption), you will be eligible for certification at the Secondary Education level.

Certification Evaluation: Your coursework will be compared to the required courses in our Georgia Professional Standards Commission approved program to determine an individualized certification plan leading to your secondary English certificate. A variety of means may be used to satisfy