EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM SECONDARY CHECKLIST SPEECH/THEATRE (Grades 9-12)



Education department

GENERAL EDUCATION 38 – 47 hrs

The general education component is to be completed according to Columbia College degree requirements. (Please refer to your entrance year catalog for specific degree requirements.)

LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCE DEGREE

40 - 63 hrs

It is recommended that students seeking this certification choose a major that has similar course requirements in the degree. Your academic advisor can help you with your choice of major.

Students must complete the degree requirements as set forth by Columbia College. Hours required for completion will vary depending on area chosen. (Please refer to your entrance year catalog for specific degree requirements.)

CONTENT AREA COURSEWORK FOR SPEECH/THEATRE

30 hrs minimum

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Grade	Course #	Course Title	Hrs
	Speech (12 h	ours min)	
	COMM 110	Introduction to Speech	3
	COMM 203	Understanding Human Communication	3
	COMM 214	Mass Communication in Society	3
	COMM 323	Argumentation and Debate	3
	Theatre (12 l	hours min)	
	COMM 220	Introduction to Theatre	3
	COMM 320	Advanced Theatre	3
	COMM 380	Performance Studies	3
	COMM 420	Advanced Acting and Production Techniques	3
	Electives (6 h	nrs min)	
	Choose:	Other Electives: Choose 2 courses (6 hours) from the	
		following:	
		COMM 303 – Intercultural Communication	
		COMM 304 – Introduction to Screenwriting	
		COMM 313 – Interpersonal Communication	
		COMM 343 – Gender Communication	6

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK

57 hrs

				Field
				Experience
			Cr	(observation
Grade	Course #	Course Title	Hrs	hrs) included
	SOCI 270	Diversity and Society	3	none
	EDUC 100	Introduction to Education	3	15 hrs
	EDUC 200	Law, Ethics, and Education	3	none
	EDUC 220	Methods of Teaching English Learners	3	none

[The College reserves the right to alter at any time requirements to meet state certification regulations.]

	EDUC 230	Educational Psychology	3	none			
	EDUC 300	Techniques of Teaching	3	15 hrs			
	EDUC 311	Classroom Management Techniques	3	15 hrs			
	EDUC 390	Education & Psychology of the Exceptional Child	3	none			
	Choose	EDUC 396 – Child and Adolescent Development or EDUC 391					
	option	– Child Psychology and EDUC 392 – Adolescent Psychology	3	none			
Admission to the Teacher Certification Program (See Teacher Certification Program Checklist)							
	EDUC 322	Educational Measurement and Assessment	3	none			
	EDUC 338	Content Reading and Writing	3	15 hrs			
		Teaching Speech and Theatre in Middle and Secondary					
	EDUC 368	Schools	3	15 hrs			
	EDUC 375	Advanced Content Methods	3	15 hrs			
	EDUC 376	Adolescent Literacy	3				
	EDUC 400	Senior Seminar	3	none			
Approval for Student Teaching (See Student Teaching checklist)							
	EDUC 425	Undergraduate Student Teaching	12	16 weeks			
		Total Credit Hours	57				
Approval for DESE Certification recommendation (See DESE Certification checklist)							

Retention Criteria:

- Complete at least 6 hours of professional education each year
- Complete Field Experiences and receive favorable evaluations from cooperating teachers and college supervisors
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above in professional education courses and content area courses

Other requirements for certification that must be completed prior to graduation:

- Successful completion/passing of appropriate content assessment (must be passed prior to student teaching)
- Successful completion of program certification performance assessment MEES

*This is not a degree checklist Rev. 8/2024