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University of South Alabama College of Education

Alternative Master's Program – Secondary General Science Composite

Name Student Number		Number			
Advi	isor Term E	ntered			
	Minimum semester hours require	ed: 45			
I.	Curriculum and Teaching (9 hours) SED 555 Curriculum and Teaching in Secondary School SED 559 Advanced Instructional Techniques SED 556 Teaching Science in Secondary Schools (offered (Prerequisites: SED 555, EPY 525)	d fall only)	Hours 3 3 3	Sem	Grade
II.	Foundations of Education (6 hours) EDF 515 Multicultural Education EPY 502 Psychological Principles of Learning		3		
III.	Evaluation of Teaching and Learning (3 hours) EPY 525 Assessment and Research in Education		3		
IV.	Technology (3 hours) EDM 510 Microcomputing Systems in Education		3		
V.	Reading in the Content Areas (3 hours) RED 541 Literacy in the Content Areas		3		
VI.	Science Teaching Field (minimum15 hours, 500 level) BLY 585 Evolutionary Biology (Spring term only) CH 514 & CH 514L Environmental Chemistry and Lab (Fig. 590 Special Topics in Geology (Fall term only) Graduate level Science Elective Graduate level Science Elective	all only)	3 4 3 3 2		
VII.	Internship (6 hours) SED 597 Internship in Secondary Education General Science (Prerequisites: SED 556, 555, 559, EPY 525 & PRAXIS II # 0		6		
VIII.	All certification programs require an introductory special education course SPE 5 completed. This is in addition to the requirements above. II. Special Education			orevious	ly

^{*} Specific admission prerequisites are listed on the back of the program sheet.

"Please be aware that students admitted in the Non-Degree status are not eligible for financial aid."

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Prerequisite Coursework and Tests for Admission

Academic major in any science or engineering or 32 semester hours/19 in upper division in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Geology or Composite Science courses. Additionally the applicant must have six of the nine courses listed below or the equivalent, including a Biology course and two of the three other areas represented (Chemistry, Earth and Space Science and Physics):

Course number	<u>Title</u>	Semester Hours
GEO 101 & 101L	Atmospheric Processes and Patterns	4
GY 111 and 111L	Physical Geography	4
PH 101 & 101L	Introduction to Astronomy	4
BLY 121 & 121L	General Biology I (for majors)	4
BLY 122 & 122L	General Biology II (for majors)	4
CH 131 & 131L	General Chemistry I (for majors)	4
CH 132 & 132L	General Chemistry II (for majors)	4
PH 114 & 114L	Physics with Algebra & Trig. I	4
PH 115 & 115L	Physics with Algebra & Trig. II	4

Official GRE test scores including the analytical section, satisfactory performance on all three components of the APTT, passing score on the prescribed Praxis II subject (General Science) assessment of the APTTP and a clear SDE background check are required for admission. Candidates must have an earned bachelor's or higher degree with a minimum grade point average (GPA) overall of (2.50) as documented on the official transcript of the degree granting institution (regionally approved) and must be used as a basis for the degree. See Bulletin for complete list of admission requirements.

Additional Information

- 1. Keep a copy of this program checklist and maintain it. You *must* complete all program requirements for graduation and teacher certification. Course substitutions are not permitted. Also, note course prerequisites and follow them. You will be withdrawn from a course if you do not meet the stated prerequisites.
- 2. Teaching field courses must be consistent with your area of certification. Your advisor must approve your choices for this requirement.
- 3. Successful completion of PRAXIS II test (0435 General Science: Content Knowledge) appropriate to the grade level of certification sought is required **prior to admission**.
- 4. You **must** take a comprehensive end-of-program examination <u>during the semester in which you complete your degree requirements</u>. Application forms can be obtained from Student Services, UCOM 3020 or online at http://www.southalabama.edu/coe/forms/compsapp.pdf.
- 5. Graduation deadlines are posted on bulletin boards in UCOM hallways and are listed in class schedules and the University Bulletin. Application forms are available in the Office of the Registrar.
- 6. Class 'A' teaching certificate applications are available in the Student Services office, UCOM 3020.
- 7. Confer with your assigned advisor when you have questions concerning your program. Remember that advisors give advice, they are not responsible for your program. That is your responsibility.