BEACON PROGRAM CHECKLIST
SECONDARY
ENGLISH CERTIFICATION (Grades 9-12)

Columbia College
established 1851

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 ENGLISH **33 hrs minimum**

Grade	Course #	Course Title	Cr Hrs
		Composition and Rhetoric (12 hrs)	
	ENGL 133	First-Year Writing Seminar *(or ENGL 112 if taken previously or transferred in)*	3
	EDUC 373	Teaching Writing to Secondary Students	3
	Elective:	Writing electives *(Contact your advisor for a list of elective options)*	6
		Study of the English Language (6 hrs)	
	ENGL 311	Descriptive Grammar of the English Language	3
	ENGL 312	The History of the English Language	3
		American Literature (6 hrs) *(Must include literature for adolescents and literature of ethnic groups)*	
	Choose:	ENGL 241 - American Literature I, ENGL 242 - American Literature II, ENGL 371 - Ethnic Traditions in American Literature	3
	EDUC 270	Literature for Children and Adolescents (or EDUC 518)	3
		English and/or World Literature (6 hrs)	
	Choose:	ENGL 231 - English Literature I, ENGL 232 - English Literature II, ENGL 263 - World Literature I, ENGL 264 - World Literature II	3
	Elective:	English and/or World Literature elective *(Contact your advisor for a list of elective options)*	3
		English Elective (3 hrs)	
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PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK   **57 hrs**

Grade	Course #	Course Title	Cr Hrs	Field Experience (observation 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
	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 option	EDUC 396 – Child and Adolescent Development; **or** EDUC 391 – 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	Teaching Reading in the Content Areas & Secondary Schools	3	15 hrs
	EDUC 367	Teaching Middle School and Secondary English	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 Missouri Content Assessment (MoCA) (must be passed prior to student teaching)
- Successful completion of program certification performance assessment - MEES

*This is not a degree checklist
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[The College reserves the right to alter at any time requirements to meet state certification regulations.]