

## Coursework

The sequence of coursework for the TAP program begins in the first summer session. These classes address initial education content which prepares candidates to begin working in classroom settings in the fall. The fall semester includes an internship in the schools in the morning and classes in the afternoon and evening. The spring semester completes the professional education requirements with student teaching as the capstone experience.

### Summer Session (June-August)

EDUC 2010	Human Growth and Learning
TED 8300	Effective Teaching Practices
TED 8020	History and Philosophy of Education
SPED 8030	Special Education Alternatives

### Fall Semester (August-December)

TED 8540	Introduction to Technology Tools for Learning
TED 4000	Special Methods
TED 8695	Applying Reading and Writing in Content Areas
TED 8210	Human Relations for Bias Free Education

### Spring Semester (January-May)

Student Teaching

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Application for program selections  
accepted June 1 – February 1

## Application Deadline – February 1

# TEACHER ACADEMY PROJECT





The Teacher Academy Project (TAP) is a secondary education certificate project designed for individuals who have earned an undergraduate degree and want to be a teacher. The program is designed to increase the number of teacher candidates with teacher certification in high demand areas. Candidates for TAP must hold an undergraduate degree in a major related to a secondary (grades 7-12) endorsement area.

The graduate work completed during this program may be applied toward completion of a Masters degree in secondary education. Project participants will be enrolled as full time students. This accelerated program is offered once each year and will allow for

### MOEC School Districts

- Bellevue Public Schools
- Bennington Public Schools
- Council Bluffs Community Schools
- Douglas County West Community Schools
- Elkhorn Public Schools
- Gretna Public Schools
- Millard Public Schools
- Omaha Public Schools
- Papillion/LaVista Public Schools
- Ralston Public Schools
- South Sarpy School District #46
- Westside Community Schools

completion of the certification requirements in one calendar year.

TAP candidates complete certification coursework while interning in a participating Metropolitan Omaha Educational Consortium (MOEC) school district.

### The Teacher Academy Project Offers:

#### Experience

- > A practical education experience in a MOEC school working with students, faculty, and administrators in an internship role.
- > Immersion in the culture of a secondary school with an opportunity to observe the modeling of effective teaching techniques and strategies followed by opportunities for immediate application
- > Priority consideration for employment upon successful completion of the program

#### Education

- > Academic coursework is completed in an area of secondary endorsement
- > Graduate studies for each TAP cohort group will begin the first session of summer school
- > Graduate studies focus on the coursework required for teacher certification. Fifteen to eighteen hours of study can be applied to a Master's degree in secondary education

#### Support Team

- > Each intern is assigned a trained support team to provide professional and educational leadership in the school environment
- > The TAP support team includes a Project Coordinator, individual building leadership member, master teacher, and university faculty

#### Goals

- > To provide a quality alternative certification option that leads to secondary teacher certification by providing instruction and experiences on various teaching techniques, academic competencies and

instructional strategies

- > To provide TAP candidates with professional development opportunities while completing the certification requirements under the direct mentorship of the TAP support team
- > To provide support for individual TAP candidates with mentoring by a master teacher, building level administrator and university faculty

### Program Requirements/Application Procedures

- > B.S. or B.A. with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 with major in an area of secondary endorsement
- > Completion of TAP application packet
- > Passing scores on the Pre-Professional Skills Test (Reading 173; Math 173; Writing 173)
- > Interview and selection by a MOEC school district
- > Be available for intensive full time enrollment and internship experience (summer, fall, spring)
- > Admit to Graduate College. The masters degree program in secondary education requires a 3.0 GPA

