**Teach in 12 | Secondary Education**

High school is an important time as students begin to think of their future plans and heading to post-secondary education. These crucial years guide students to make the life choices they need to be successful.

Personal success in one career can lead to a desire to seek out a new career that makes a difference in the lives of others. Many career changers find great fulfillment as teachers. No other profession can so fully empower you to directly and immediately impact our young people and our communities.

Those who have a bachelor's degree in any area may be eligible to earn Missouri Teacher Certification at the UMSL College of Education through our innovative accelerated "Teach in 12" programs.

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**What to Expect**

**Courses**

- TCH ED Experiencing the Classroom
- TCH ED 5001 Advanced Middle Level Clinical Experience
- TCH ED 5310 Designing Instruction
- TCH ED 5311 Foundations of Education
- ED PSY 6222 Adv Studies in Child & Adolescent Development
- TCH ED 5312 Differentiated Instruction
- Methods Course *(specific to certification area)*
- SEC ED 5989 Practicum One: Site-Based Experience
- SEC ED 5990 Practicum Two: Site-Based Experience

**Missouri Educator Gateway Assessments (MEGA)**

- Missouri Content Assessment (MCA)
- Missouri Educator Profile (MEP)
- Missouri Pre-Service Teacher Assessment (MoPTA)

**Clinical Experiences**

- 20 clock hours working in a community agency
- 2 site-based practicum courses immersed in a Studio School
- Practicum One: 1 day per week working as a Triton Teacher
- Practicum Two: 5 days per week working as a Triton Teacher

**Unique Resources and Innovations**

- Launch session to build community, provide early guidance, and share essential information
- Grand Seminars and Collaborative Exchanges throughout the practicum experiences

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- Applicants for any post-baccalaureate certification program must already hold a bachelor's degree with a minimum 2.75 cum GPA.
- Any teacher candidate aspiring to enter the “Teach in 12” accelerated path must first pass the Missouri Content Assessment appropriate to her or his area of certification.
- The accelerated path requires intensive study, immersive experiences, and large investments of time and effort. Candidates who enter the “Teach in 12” pathway will be unable to maintain concurrent professional commitments.