

# SECONDARY EDUCATION

## SOCIAL STUDIES/HISTORY

MASTER OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF SECONDARY EDUCATION/FOUNDATIONS OF EDUCATION

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION



### DELIVERY METHOD

Basic Concentration: onsite and online  
Advanced Concentration: 100% online

### START TERMS

Fall, Winter, Spring, or Summer

### COMPLETION TIME

Programs can be completed in  
a calendar year if a student begins  
in the summer

### NUMBER OF CREDITS

36 credits

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Impact the future and explore the possibilities of teaching by earning a Master of Education in Secondary Education. SRU's M.Ed. in Secondary Education has two concentrations; a basic concentration and an advanced concentration. The basic concentration is for students seeking certification. The advanced concentration is for certified teachers.

SRU's master's degree in Secondary Education offers:

- Flexibility to fit your busy schedule. Our basic concentration offers both on-site and online classes, and our advanced concentration can be completed exclusively online.
- A 36-credit hour program that can be completed in one calendar year
- Leadership skills geared to advancing your career to the next level
- Specialization in history - social studies

### BASIC CONCENTRATION

The basic teaching concentration in Secondary Education Teaching - History is a degree designed for individuals who possess a bachelor's degree and appropriate coursework for social studies. Successful completion of the program will lead to a master's degree and can lead to state certification. It is anticipated that students will complete the 36-semester hour program in one calendar year or full-time study, beginning with the summer pre-session. However, students may begin the program during the fall or spring semesters.

### ADVANCED CONCENTRATION

The advanced teaching concentration in Secondary Education Teaching Social Studies - History is a Master of Education degree for individuals who already possess teacher certification in Social Studies. In addition to core requirements, these certified students will concentrate on individual professional development by electing 12 semester hours of coursework from the areas of history, foundations of education, instructional technology, or counseling.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must submit the following materials along with a completed online graduate application and non-refundable application fee:

#### Basic Concentration:

- All applicants must have a bachelor's degree with appropriate course work in history and in other social science content areas with an overall GPA of 2.80 or higher from an accredited institution of higher education to enter and a 3.0 GPA to exit the graduate program
- Official undergraduate degree transcript(s) and any graduate transcripts
- Resume

#### Advanced Concentration:

- All applicants must have a bachelor's degree with an overall GPA of 3.00 or higher from an accredited institution of higher education
- Official undergraduate degree transcript(s) and any graduate transcripts
- Copy of teacher certification
- Resume

### BASIC CONCENTRATION UNDERGRADUATE COMPETENCIES

Students should provide evidence of meeting outcomes in special needs instruction (Slippery Rock University's SEFE 338: Standard-Based Instruction & Assessment in the Inclusionary Classroom and SEFE 342: Educational Psychology for Diverse Learners are essential to meet this requirement).

Students in the basic concentration who meet admission requirements but have more than three undergraduate deficiencies, may be offered conditional admission.

### BASIC CONCENTRATION - PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE CERTIFICATION

All candidates completing this program and student teaching are eligible to receive Pennsylvania certification after achieving a passing or qualifying score on Pennsylvania Department of Education required exam(s). If you are interested in teaching in another state, please contact the Department of Education in that state.

### TUITION & ASSISTANTSHIPS

Information on current tuition and assistantships can be found on the main Graduate Admissions website at [www.sru.edu/graduate](http://www.sru.edu/graduate). Financial Aid brochures are available through the Financial Aid Office [www.sru.edu/FinAid](http://www.sru.edu/FinAid) or the Office of Graduate Admissions.

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## BASIC CONCENTRATION - CURRICULUM (for non-certified teachers)

<b>Pedagogy</b>		
SEFE 522	Teaching of Middle Level and Secondary Social Studies and the English Language Arts for the Humanities	3
SEFE 607	The Theories and Teaching of English Language Learners 3	3
SEFE 677	Directed Field Experience in Secondary Schools	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Technology</b>		
SEFE 647	Technology-Based Inquiry in Middle & Secondary Schools	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Educational Measurement</b>		
SEFE 671	Measurement, Testing, and Assessment	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Educational Foundations - Select one of the following:</b>		<b>3</b>
SEFE 604	Philosophical Foundations of Education	
SEFE 606	Social Foundations of Education	
SEFE 609	History of Western Education	
SEFE 680	Crucial Issues in Education	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Research and Statistics</b>		
SEFE 602	Univariate Statistical Methods	3
<b>Select one of the following:</b>		<b>3</b>
SEFE 608	Research Methods for Teacher	
SEFE 696	Elements of Qualitative Educational Research	
SEFE 699	Elements of Quantitative Educational Research	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Special Education</b>		
<b>Select one of the following:</b>		<b>3</b>
SEFE 679	Psychology of Learning and Instruction for Diverse Learners	
SPED Course at 600, 700, or 800 level		
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Supervised Student Teaching</b>		
SEFE 701	Seminar and Supervised Teaching in the Secondary School	9
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>36</b>

\*\*If a student would like to substitute/transfer another course, the course must meet the Chapter 49 Accommodations and Adaptations Standards as covered in SPED 601.

### IMPORTANT CURRICULUM GUIDE NOTES

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## ADVANCED CONCENTRATION - CURRICULUM GUIDE (for certified teachers only)

<b>Pedagogy</b>		
SEFE 647	Technology-Based Inquiry in Middle & Secondary Schools	3
SEFE 630	Advanced Pedagogy for Teacher	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Educational Measurement</b>		
SEFE 671	Measurement, Testing, and Assessment	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Educational Foundations - Select one of the following:</b>		<b>3</b>
SEFE 680	Crucial Issues in Education	
SEFE 604	Philosophical Foundations of Education	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Research and Statistics</b>		
SEFE 602	Univariate Statistical Methods	3
<b>Select six credits of the following:</b>		<b>6</b>
SEFE 608	Research Methods for Teacher	
SEFE 696	Elements of Qualitative Educational Research	
SEFE 699	Elements of Quantitative Educational Research	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Electives - Select 15 credits of the following:</b>		<b>15</b>
SEFE 607	The Theories and Teaching of English Language Learners	
SEFE 650	Strategic Leadership	
SEFE 652	Organizational Leadership	
SEFE 679	Psychology of Learning and Instruction for Diverse Learners	
SPED 601	Advanced Studies in Learning Disabilities	
SPED 625	Instructional Strategies for Learning and Behavioral Problems	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>36</b>

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### CLEARANCES

Clearances are due no later than one (1) week prior to deadline for course registration for each program's practicum/field experience-----no student will be permitted to register for their program's practicum and take part in practicum/field experiences without clearances on file at SRU. Please refer to the graduate website at [www.sru.edu/graduate](http://www.sru.edu/graduate) and select "Requirements by Program" to learn more.

## FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT ACADEMICS AND COURSE SCHEDULING:

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## FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT ADMISSIONS:

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105 North Hall, Welcome Center  
Slippery Rock, PA 16057  
[www.sru.edu/graduate](http://www.sru.edu/graduate)  
724.738.2051 or 877.SRU.GRAD  
[graduate.admissions@sru.edu](mailto:graduate.admissions@sru.edu)

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