Central Michigan University
Michigan Middle Level Endorsement-Undergraduate
Grades 5-9

Central Michigan University's Middle Level Education programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels have been approved by the Michigan Department of Education for the Middle Level Endorsement for Michigan Elementary or Secondary Teaching Certificates.

Since these programs/standards require field experiences at the undergraduate and graduate levels, theses are the guidelines that our CMU undergraduate students must meet. We have defined below the configurations for the undergraduate student teaching placement, which we believe will meet these standards.

Student Teaching Placement Guidelines

Elementary Certification Candidates

- One eight-week placement in a middle level school in a teaming configuration and one eight-week placement in grades 5 or 6 in an elementary school (usually self-contained), **OR**

- One sixteen-week placement in a middle level school in a teaming configuration, **OR**

- Two eight-week placements in two different middle level schools in teaming configurations

Secondary Certification Candidates

- One eight-week placement in a middle level school in a teaming configuration and one eight-week placement in primarily grade nine (9) in a high school curriculum area, **OR**

- One sixteen-week placement in a middle level school in a teaming configuration (grades 7 and/or 8), **OR**

- Two eight-week placements in two different middle level schools in teaming configurations (grades 7 and/or 8)

A definition of "teaming":

A group of two to five teachers who have the same students and have a common planning time. The preference would be that the team has a common team planning time in addition to individual planning time.

Department of Teacher Education and Professional Development

Authorization for a Middle Level Education Minor

(Includes a Michigan Middle Level Endorsement - ZL)

Name _____ Student ID #: _____

Degree: _____ Bachelor of Science, Elementary Emphasis Major/Minor: _____

_____ Bachelor of Science, Secondary Emphasis Minor: _____

Minor: Middle Level Education

Graduation Requirements Bulletin _____ Bulletin of Minor _____
(if different from Graduation Bulletin)

Anticipated Graduation _____

REQUIRED COURSES:

Take all of these courses:

_____ MLE 381 (3) Needs and Characteristics of Young Adolescents
_____ MLE 382 (3) Middle Level School Concepts, Structures and Programs
_____ MLE 383 (3) Student Diversity in the Middle Level Classroom
_____ MLE 384 (3) Meeting the Diverse Needs of Learners in the Middle Level Classroom
_____ MLE 385 (3) Curriculum in the Middle Level School
_____ SPE 126 (3) Introduction to Special Education **(OR)** SPE 504 (3) Teaching Students in Inclusive Settings

18 TOTAL REQUIRED HOURS

ELECTIVE COURSES:

Select two (2) of these courses:

_____ EDU 290 (3) Technology in Education
_____ ENG 481 (3) International Literature for Children and Young Adults
_____ EDU 532 (3) Reading in the Content Areas
_____ MLE 570 (3) Issues in Middle Level Education
ENG 580 (3) Literature for Young Adults
_____ ENG 582 (3) Cultural Pluralism in Young Adult and Children's Literature

6 TOTAL ELECTIVE HOURS

24 TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS

Note 1: Midtier Field Experience
As part of the Professional Education Sequence, students will complete a midtier experience (EDU/MLE 361 for elementary certification or a subject area for secondary certification) in a middle level classroom.

Note 2: Student Teaching Experience
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Placements for Secondary Certification Candidates: One eight-week placement in a middle level school in a teaming configuration and one eight-week placement in grade nine (9) in a high school curriculum OR one sixteen-week placement in a middle level school in a teaming configuration (grades 7 and/or 8) OR two eight week placements in two different middle level schools in teaming configurations (grades 7 and/or 8).

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Signature of Advisor *Signature of Student* *Date*

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