

SECONDARY ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (6–12 LICENSURE)

Bachelor of Arts in Education and Human Development (B.A.)
Catalog Year 2026– 2027

FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The secondary English Language Arts program ensures that you will develop deep content knowledge across a number of disciplines important to becoming a successful English teacher, with courses in writing, literature, literary criticism, and more. You will also be prepared with the methods and foundations coursework that will make you a highly effective, innovative, and compassionate secondary English teacher skilled in improving student performance and meeting the needs of today's diverse learners in a variety of school settings. You will have the skills to be a teacher leader. CU Denver graduates often go on to acquire positions in educational leadership as their careers progress.

ACADEMIC ADVISING

The School of Education & Human Development (SEHD) requires all students to meet with their Academic Advisor several times a year to develop and learn more about their own individualized plan of study.

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GENERAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS & POLICIES

To receive a bachelor's degree from the University of Colorado Denver, students must satisfy all of the requirements below, in addition to completing a Major and fulfilling all of their School or College requirements.

1. A minimum of 120 credit hours is required to graduate from CU Denver with a bachelor's degree.
2. A minimum 2.000 cumulative GPA is required for all University of Colorado coursework.
3. Satisfactory completion of the CU Denver Core Curriculum.

In addition to the general university graduation requirements listed above, all SEHD students are required to complete the following minimum general graduation requirements:

1. Students must earn a final grade of at least a C (2.0) in major courses and a B- (2.7) or above in designated major courses and Professional Year Residency courses within the major. These courses/requirements must be repeated if the student fails to earn the grade required.
2. Students must complete required classroom-based field experiences.
3. Students must complete all program assessments and professional milestones as outlined in the Student Handbook. For teacher education licensure students, this includes passing the appropriate Praxis exam (if applicable).
4. Students must complete all requirements associated with their SEHD major.

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The following program requirements are based on degree requirements for the current Catalog year at CU Denver and are subject to change. Students are responsible for completing degree requirements based on the Catalog year for which they are admitted.

Students are responsible for meeting with the academic advisor in the School of Education & Human Development to confirm major requirements.

Students completing the Education and Human Development BA degree in Secondary English Language Arts (6-12 Licensure) are required to complete the following minimum program requirements:

1. Students must complete a minimum total of 126 semester hours for the EDHD Secondary English Language Arts Education Track.
2. Application to the last year of the program, the Professional Year Residency is required. After successfully completing all other Core, major, and elective courses, all students must apply for admission into the Professional Year. Requirements for admission include a 3.0 GPA, positive letters of recommendation, successful evaluations of earlier clinical experiences, and a successful interview. (Students with a lower GPA may be considered under certain conditions. Please see the SEHD website.)
3. A minimum of C- is required for all content courses.
4. A minimum GPA of 2.0, grade of C or better, is required for all major courses applying to EDHD – Secondary English Language Arts Education requirements unless otherwise specified.
5. Students must complete and maintain a 3.0 minimum grade point average in Professional Year coursework to complete licensure requirements. Please see an advisor for more information on this requirement.
6. Transfer courses must be approved by faculty and/or advisor to apply to the major.

COURSEWORK THAT CAN BE COMPLETED AT PREVIOUS INSTITUTION

The following is a "bucket" of requirements students can complete before transferring to CU Denver, including equivalent courses from the Colorado Community College System (CCCS). To determine the equivalencies of courses to be completed at non-CU Denver institutions, students can visit www.transferology.com. It is critical that students connect with a CU Denver academic advisor to ensure planned courses will transfer *and* apply to CU Denver degree requirements. All non-CU Denver coursework must be completed with a C- or better to be eligible for transfer.

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Students interested in completing an Associate (A.A. or A.S.) Degree or a [Colorado Statewide Transfer Articulation Agreement or Degree with Designation \(DWD\)](#) must work with their community/junior college academic advisor to create an academic plan that accounts for all degree or transfer articulation agreement requirements. Colorado Community College Students may also explore the option to complete [Reverse Transfer](#) at CU Denver.

CU Denver Requirements	CU Denver Credits	CCCS Equivalent Courses & Notes	CCCS Credits
CU Denver Core Curriculum Requirements	31		
ENGL 1020 – Core Composition I	3	ENG 1021	
ENGL 2030 – Core Composition II	3	ENG 1022	
Mathematics	3	GT-MA1	
Arts	3	GT-AH1 (<i>ENGL 2021 or another AH course listed below</i>)	
Humanities	3	GT-AH	
Behavioral Sciences	3	GT-SS	
Social Sciences	3	GT-SS	
Natural/Physical Science with lab	4	GT-SC1	
Natural/Physical Science without lab or Math	3	GT-SC2 or GT-MA1 (<i>except the course used for Core Math</i>) or another GT-SC1	
International Perspectives	3	GT HI	
Cultural Diversity	3	<i>To be completed at CU Denver. This requirement must be completed with an upper-division course and CCCS courses will not apply.</i>	---
Education Major Courses	13		
EDHD 1930 Comm Based Field Exp. & Seminar †	4	EDU 2211 and 1088 or 2088 (<i>min grade of B- required for licensure</i>)	
HDFR 1010 Life Span Development	3	PSY 2441 or PSY 2440	
EDFN 1000 Equity, Rights & Education	3	EDU 2341	
SPED 4030 Understanding (dis)Ability†	3	EDU 2401 (<i>min grade of B- required for licensure</i>)	
Secondary English Language Arts Content Courses	18		
Introduction to Literature & Film	3	LIT 1015 or LIT 2057 or LIT 2046	
Race & Ethnicity in American Literature	3	LIT 2005	
Storytelling: Literature, Film & Television Introduction to Creative Writing	3	ENG 2021 or ENG 2022 or ENG 2037	
English Content Area One	3	LIT 2011 or LIT 2012 or LIT 2020 <i>Any LIT or ENG class that has a title including keywords, “America” or “American”</i>	
English Content Area Two	3	LIT 2021 or LIT 2022 or LIT 2025 or LIT 2001 <i>Any LIT or ENG class that has a title including keywords, “British Literature” or “English Literature” or “Renaissance/Medieval” or “Shakespeare” AND occurs “Pre-1650” or “-to 1900”</i>	
English Content Area Three	3	LIT 2058 or LIT 2059 or LIT 2069 or LIT 2002 or LIT 2005 <i>Any LIT or ENG class that has a title including keywords, “Modern/Modern Literature” or “Contemporary Fiction/Literature” AND occurs “Post-1900” or “After 1900”</i>	
Minimum Applicable Transfer Credits Recommended:	62	<i>Students completing fewer than 60 applicable transfer credits will need to complete additional credits at CU Denver. Students needing general elective credits should consult a CU Denver SEHD Academic Advisor.</i>	

*The applicability of Guaranteed Transfer (GT Pathways) courses to specific CU Denver Core Curriculum requirements requires completion of a block of five courses: two GT-AH courses; one GT-HI course; one GT-SS course; and one additional GT-AH, GT-HI, or GT-SS course.

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SAMPLE PLAN – COURSEWORK TO BE COMPLETED AT CU DENVER

Upon successful completion of 60 applicable transfer credits and the complete “bucket” of requirements outlined above, students would have the following remaining requirements to complete at CU Denver. At CU Denver, students must tailor this plan based on the evaluation of previously completed college coursework (e.g., AP, IB, CLEP, dual/concurrent enrollment, and transfer credit), course availability, individual preferences related to course load, summer term courses, part-time or full-time student status, or add-on programs such as minors or double-majors.

YEAR ONE

Semester 1	CRS
CLDE 2000 †	3
ENGL 2070	3
ENGL 3001	3
SPED 4400	3
<i>Clinical Field Experience Block #2: Learning & Development</i>	
EDHD 2930 † §	3
EDFN 4010 † §	3
Total Credit Hours	18

Semester 2	CRS
CLDE 4020 †	3
ENGL 3084	3
ENGL 3160	3
CU Denver Core Cultural Diversity	3
ENGL 4601 or 4190	3
<i>Clinical Field Experience Block #3: Diverse Learners</i>	
EDHD 3930 † §	3
Total Credit Hours	18

In the second semester of year three, apply for admission to the Professional Year. Deadlines for the Professional Year application are 2/15 for a Fall start or 10/1 for a Spring start.

YEAR TWO: PROFESSIONAL YEAR

Semester 1	CRS
LCRT 4100 †	3
UEDU 4040 †	3
LCRT 4200 †	3
LCRT 4720 †	3
UEDU 4931 †	2
UEDU 4932 †	2
Total Credit Hours	16

Semester 2	CRS
UEDU 4050 †	3
LCRT 4201 †	3
UEDU 4933 †	6
Total Credit Hours	12

After graduation, apply for a teaching license through the Colorado Department of Education.

† **Education Licensure Course:** requires minimum grade of B- or higher

§ **Clinical Field Experience Block:**

- All courses in a clinical field experience block must be taken together, in the same semester
- Field experience paperwork deadlines:
 - Fall placement = 4/1 Priority deadline; 4/15 Final deadline
 - Spring placement = 11/1 Priority deadline; 11/15 Final deadline

|| **Professional Year:** Admission to Professional Year required

- Requirements for admission to Professional Year include:
 - A minimum GPA of 3.0 in major coursework
 - Successful completion of all other coursework (including Core, major, and elective requirements)
 - Successful completion of the application and interview process
- Professional Year application deadlines:
 - Fall start = 2/15 deadline
 - Spring start = 10/1 deadline