

**Department of Teaching & Learning**

Dear Student:

Thank you for your interest in/application to our Middle Grades Education Graduate Certification program. As you may know, that program has just recently been approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. We are actively recruiting students into the program, but at this point we have only a handful of interested students, which means both that we can offer only a single section of most courses and that students in our E=MC2 program, an innovative a teacher certification program designed to prepare mathematics and science professionals as middle-grade teachers, will also be taking them.

The table below details our scheduling plans for the next two years. As you can see, the program is designed to allow working professionals to complete the program in as little as 15 months and only requires a full-time commitment during the student teaching semester. Courses in this program take place during both daytime and evening hours.

<b>Required Courses</b>	<b>Will be offered / Should be taken:</b>
6-Credit Block: MGRE 5102: Reading & Writing in the Middle Grades SPED 5111: Educating Students with Disabilities in Inclusive Settings SPED 5287: Practicum for Middle Grades	First Summer Session 2013+ First Summer Session 2014+
MGRE 5101: Citizenship, Cultures, and Social Studies Education	Second Summer Session 2013 <sup>0</sup> Second Summer Session 2014 <sup>0</sup>
EDUC 5402: Child and Adolescent development	Second Summer Session 2013 Second Summer Session 2014*
MGRE 5404: Teaching Mathematics in the Middle Grades	Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014 (Friday afternoon/Saturday schedule)
MGRE 5405: Teaching & Learning Science in the Middle Grades	Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014 (Friday afternoon/Saturday schedule)
TESL 8631: Foundations of Language Teaching: Teaching ELLS in Grades 4-12	Fall or Spring; every other summer <sup>X</sup>
EDUC 5255: TCPK for teachers	Offered regularly. Online-only.
EDUC 5409	Offered regularly as needed

+ Offered in 4 consecutive weeks, M-Th, 9a-2p

<sup>0</sup> Offered in 1 week during the day

\* An evening section of EDUC 5402 will also be offered in either or both the fall and spring semester of 2012-2013 & 2013-2014

<sup>X</sup> Offered fall and spring in the evenings and summer during the day

As the program continues to grow enrollment, additional sections may be scheduled. As a consequence, we will be revisiting our scheduling plans in during the next 18 months and will update you with any changes. If you have any questions, please mail me at [mwsmith@temple.edu](mailto:mwsmith@temple.edu).

Sincerely,



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Professor and Chair