A Note about Credit Hours and the Teacher Education Minor

Because of the number of courses required for this license (138-150 credit hours, depending on your Language and Culture placement), it is difficult for students to graduate in four years. One option is to take heavier course loads (20 rather than 16 credits) during regular terms and/or additional courses during summer and J-Term. Another option is to take an additional semester to graduate.

A third option is to complete licensure at the graduate level. This requires completing an English major (if you have not previously declared an English major, see the English Department administrative assistant in JRC 333) and replacing the Education major with an Education minor:

- EDUC 210 Education’s Place in Society
- EDUC 211 Field Experience I (0 Credits)  
  NOTE: This 50 hour field experience must be taken concurrently with EDUC 210
- EDUC 329 Diverse Learners and Families
- EDUC 330 Psychology for Teaching and Learning
- EDUC 332 Field Experience II: Teaching & Learning  
  NOTE: 0 Credits, taken concurrently with EDUC 330
- EDUC 355 Reading for the 5-12 Teacher
- One 4-credit elective approved by the Chair of Teacher Education
- All classes in minor completed with a “C” or better and with an overall GPA of at least 2.75

To take this option, you need to:
1. Meet with the Chair of Teacher Education to drop the education major and add the education minor
2. Complete a one-page application for licensure-only graduate coursework
3. Turn in the application for licensure-only graduate coursework to MOH 217 (Vicki Rasmusson)
4. If you choose to complete the entire Master of Arts in Education as well as licensure, you will need to follow the regular online graduate admission process.

Some pros and cons of this option are:

**Pros:**
- The cost per credit at the graduate level is less at UST
- Courses may be considered toward your first salary increase once you have a teaching job
- You will graduate with a B.A. degree sooner, even though the licensure is not yet complete

**Cons:**
- Financial aid may change
- Eligibility to remain on parents' insurance may change
- Your B.A. degree will have an Education minor rather than an Education major

Still have questions about the Licensure in Communication Arts and Literature, Grades 5-12 program?

Please don't hesitate to contact one of the following people for further information and assistance:

- Dr. Bruce Gleason, Chair  
  Department of Teacher Education  
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- Dr. Andrew Scheiber, Faculty Advisor  
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  Department of Communication and Journalism  
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In order to student teach and complete the Education program, the English major and EDUC 316 & 336 must already be completed.

EDUC 431 Use of Technology for Instruction (2 credits)
NOTE: This is completed online
EDUC 460 Clinical Practice: Student Teaching and Seminar (10 credits)

Demonstrated competence on all state required standards

English Major

(44 Credits/11 courses at 4-credits each)

Core Requirements (8 credits)
- ENGL 121 Critical Thinking: Literature & Writing AND
- One of ENGL 201, 202, 203, or 204 Texts in Conversation OR, For Qualified Students
- One of ENGL 201, 202, 203, or 204 Texts in Conversation AND
- One additional 4-credit literature course in English numbered at or above 211 (including ENGL 211, 212, 214, 215, 217, 218, 220, 221, 222, 324, 325, 334, 341, 360, 361, 362, 364, 365, 366, 367, 370, 371, 372, 373, 390, and 395) or two 2-credit ENGL 295 courses during J-Term

Upper Division Requirements (36 credits)
NOTE: It is strongly recommended that students take no more than two English courses per semester. Students are also encouraged not to take two 200-level literature survey courses at one time, due to the heavy reading load.

- ENGL 211 British Authors I OR
  ENGL 212 British Authors II
  NOTE: 211 usually offered in the fall semester; 212 usually offered in the spring semester
- ENGL 214 American Authors I OR
  ENGL 215 American Authors II
  NOTE: 214 usually offered in the spring semester and J-Term; 215 usually offered in the fall semester
- ENGL 217 Multicultural Literature OR
  ENGL 218 Literature by Women: Critical History
  NOTE: 217 usually offered in the fall semester; 218 usually offered in the spring semester

Communication and Journalism
(16 Credits/4 courses at 4-credits each)

To register for the following COJO courses without the prerequisite of COJO 111 Communication and Citizenship, please contact the instructor for permission to register. COJO 111 is not required for licensure, but a student completing COJO 111, the COJO courses required for licensure, and a 300- or 400-level COJO course will have completed a minor in Communication and Journalism.

- COJO 100 Public Speaking
  NOTE: Offered in the fall and spring semesters, J-Term, and Summer
- COJO 211 Communication Theories & Methods
  NOTE: Offered in the fall and spring semesters
- COJO 212 Rhetorical Criticism
  NOTE: Offered in the fall and spring semesters
- COJO 260 Electronic Media Production
  NOTE: Offered in the fall and spring semesters

Pedagogy and Content Tests (MTLE) or other Minnesota BOT approved exams required for licensure.