EMPHASIS OVERVIEW

This program leads to eligibility for teacher licensure in Virginia, preparing students for a full range of secondary school teaching assignments. The program is accredited by the State of Virginia; in addition, Virginia has licensure reciprocity agreements with thirty other states, should the student leave Virginia. The program combines the usual requirements of a college major and minor. Students take courses in the English department of the College of Arts and Letters and Teaching and Learning department of the Darden College of Education and Professional Studies. Students receive a Bachelor of Arts in English. Students in this program have the option of working toward a Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) certificate through Old Dominion University’s English Department to support them in better serving a diverse group of learners in the schools and communities in which they will go on to teach.

CAREERS

- English Teacher
- ESL Teacher
- Literacy Coach
- Community Programs For Youth
- Education Program Director
- Curriculum Writer, Editor
- Academic Advisor

SKILLS

- Analysis & Critique
- Critical thinking
- Reflection
- Communication
- Collaboration
- Innovation

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