Middle School Certification Courses FALL 2023/SPRING 2024

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The Middle School certification enables adolescent teachers with an Initial Certificate to extend their certification to grades 5 and 6. Childhood teachers with an Initial Certificate, and 30 credits in an academic subject area, may pursue certification in that area (i.e. English, history, math, science, social studies) in grades 5-9. Pace University offers two courses that fulfill the NYS requirement:

ED 523 / TCH 455 - Middle Childhood / Early Adolescence, Community, Culture & Identity, Online Asynchronous, 3 credits, CRNS: 71534/71570 Fall (9/6-12/19): This foundation course presents a sociocultural view of adolescent development to develop a critical understanding of the middle school child within the context of communities and popular youth cultures. The course also investigates those reforms intended to address these students' developmental needs in the context of recent New York State initiatives.

ED 524/TCH 456 – Differentiating Curriculum and Instruction: Middle Childhood Education, Online Asynchronous, 3 credits, CRNS: 21621/21744 Spring (1/22 - 5/10): This methods course focuses on differentiated instruction to identify and understand how to meet students' need in developmentally appropriate ways. Develop successful middle school age-appropriate lesson plans aligned with Common Core Standards (CCS), utilizing the Internet and emerging technologies as a research, communications, and production tool, and team up with colleagues to create differentiated, interdisciplinary unit plans.

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