

## **Technical Education**

### **Program Requirements**

Technical Education, BS Program Checksheet

Includes:

- Major Courses and General Education Courses
- Admission and Transfer Requirements
- Graduation Requirements

### **Why Choose Technical Education?**

Rapid technological changes have generated strong demand for technical teachers in Michigan. Graduates can expect excellent career opportunities in industry, secondary and vocational education.

Technical skills and the training to teach them to others are a valuable combination in education today. If you relate well to others and enjoy working with your hands and mind, you are well suited for a worthwhile and rewarding career in technical education.

The Ferris State University technical education program provides a balanced mix of courses in three major areas: professional education, field experience and liberal arts education. About a third of the courses required for graduation will be in the major's chosen field. Technical education students also must complete occupational work experience. A field experience in which students work with young people in public schools is required, along with a full-time directed teaching assignment in a vocational/technical program at an area vocational center or high school.

### **Career Opportunities**

Known for its technical, hands-on programs, Ferris State University offers technical education students diverse opportunities including automotive, electronics, welding, industrial and HVAC/R technology or computer assisted design and manufacturing.

### **Teacher Certification Requirements**

As required by the State of Michigan to receive teacher certification, all teacher candidates must: (1) meet the MDE (CAEP) cohort requirements, (2) pass the pedagogy tests in their subject area majors (where appropriate), and (3) have a 2.75 minimum GPA to receive teacher certification in Michigan. These state requirements are in addition to the FSU graduation requirements of your individual program.

**THIS DEGREE LEADS TO AN INTERIM OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION THROUGH MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.**

**THIS DEGREE DOES NOT LEAD TO SECONDARY TEACHER CERTIFICATION UNLESS YOU HAVE AN ACADEMIC MAJOR AND MINOR (i.e. Math, English, etc.).**

### **More Information**

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