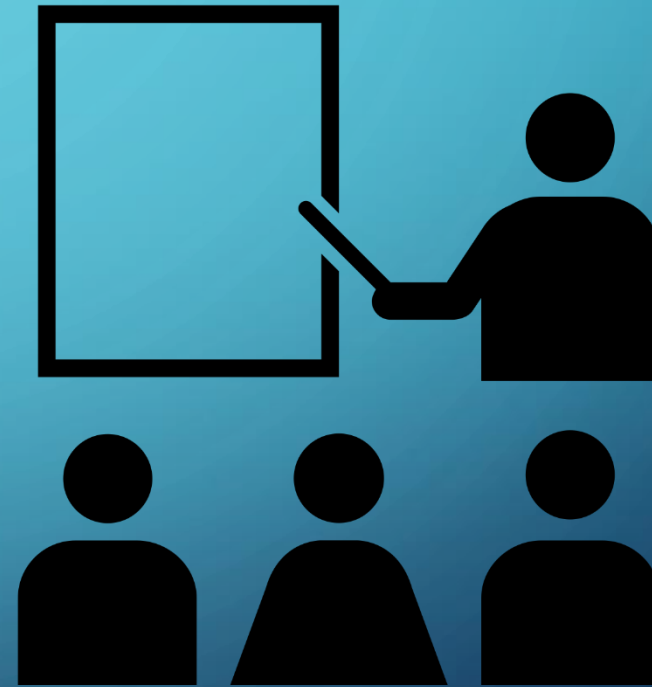


WELCOME TO THE MIDDLE  
GRADES MATH AND SCIENCE  
PROGRAM



# GaPSC Upgrade Advisor & Pay Increase Questions

- The [GaPSC](#) encourages all educators to complete the upgrade advisor prior to enrolling in a degree program for an upgrade.
- Instructions are provided from the link outlining how to use the GaPSC Upgrade Advisor.
- For questions regarding pay increases, please contact your local school board office.



# START HERE



- Academic Calendar
  - Georgia On My Line (GOML) and VSU have different academic calendars
    - [VSU Academic Calendar](#)
    - [GOML Academic Calendar](#)
- Students will use GoView to access all of their courses
  - Information about accessing GoView can be found [here](#)
- Graduation
  - Students should apply for graduation two semesters in advance
  - A summer commencement ceremony is not held but degrees are awarded at the end of summer semester
  - [Important Graduation Information](#)

# PREPARING TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES

- Fall 2020 GOML courses begin on **August 17th**
- The Program of Study outlines all of the required courses for your academic program
  - The semester each of the courses are offered is outlined
  - Most courses are only offered **once per year**
- It is important to determine an appropriate course load to successfully navigate through your academic program
- Course registration occurs in Banner

# PREPARING TO START THE PROGRAM

- You should be employed as a middle grades math or science educator to successfully complete this program
- As a new student, the following links are helpful information for transitioning to Valdosta State University:
  - [Online Orientation](#)
  - [New Students](#)
- Please be sure to **check your VSU email account daily**. All further correspondence should come from your VSU email address

# FINANCIAL AID

- Typically, individuals need a minimum of five credit hours for financial aid
- **Please complete the 2020-2021 FAFSA**
  - The 2020-2021 FAFSA includes fall 2020, spring 2021 and summer 2021
- Please call the Office of Financial Aid (229-333-5935) for any questions about financial aid



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