

MEd Reading Education

The Master of Education (MEd) in Reading Education is a professional degree designed for the student who seeks advanced study in literacy and reading instruction & assessment. This program is best suited for a former or current teacher who would like to improve literacy instruction skills.

Candidates pursuing this program must hold a bachelor's degree before starting the program. To add Virginia's Reading Specialist endorsement, students must hold a current Virginia teaching license, have successfully completed at least three years of full-time teaching and must pass the Praxis Reading Specialist assessment before they can submit to the VDOE for the additional endorsement.

Required minimum credit hours: 36 s.h.

Department: Education

Type: MEd

Required Courses

Item #	Title	Credits
ED 606	INTG LIT TO IMPROVE CONT AREA LEARN	3
ED 624	IEP DEVELOPMENT & IMPLEMENTATION	3
ED 631	TECHNOLOGIES TO ADVANCE LEARNING	3
ED 648	LITERACY INSTRUCTION FOR ELLs	3
ED 671	LIT DIAG & REMED I WITH PRACTICUM	4
ED 672	LIT DIAG & REMED II WITH PRACTICUM	4
ED 673	CHILD & ADOLESCENT LITERATURE	3
ED 674	WORD KNOWLEDGE:PHONICS,SPELL,VOCAB	3
ED 675	LITERACY LEADERSHIP & PRACTICUM	4
IN 630	METHODS OF PROFESSIONAL INQUIRY	3
ED 632	INQUIRY RESEARCH PROJECT I	3

Students must have a 3.0 GPA to enroll in ED 672. Furthermore, ED 671, 672 and 675 have a 30-hour practicum requirement in three different settings that correspond to each course; for at least 20 hours of each practicum, the teacher candidate must show evidence of direct teaching. Please see Teacher Education Program - Advanced Levels of Program Progression for details.

Additional Licensure requirements:

Students seeking the Reading Specialist license will need to complete or show proof of the following:

- Lifespan Human Development**
- Characteristics of Exceptionality**
- Professional Ethics Exam
- Employment Verification of three years of full-time teaching
- Students must take and receive a minimum qualifying score on the Praxis Reading Specialist assessment

***Students must have completed two equivalent prerequisites prior to starting the program or complete during the program if pursuing licensure.*

Total credits:

36