



## Reading Teacher Endorsement

### Lewis University Course Sequence

#### Fall

RDLT 50900 Child and Adolescent Literature

RDLT 53900\* Assessment of Literacy and English  
Language Learning

#### Spring

RDLT 52300\* Foundations and Methods of  
Teaching Content Area Reading and  
Intermediate-Adolescent Literacy

RDLT 53300\* Strategic Comprehension Instruction  
and Practicum for the Reading  
Teacher

#### Summer

RDLT 52400\* Foundations and Methods of  
Teaching Developmental Reading  
and Early Literacy

RDLT 53600 Theory and Practice for Intervention  
and Remediation of Reading

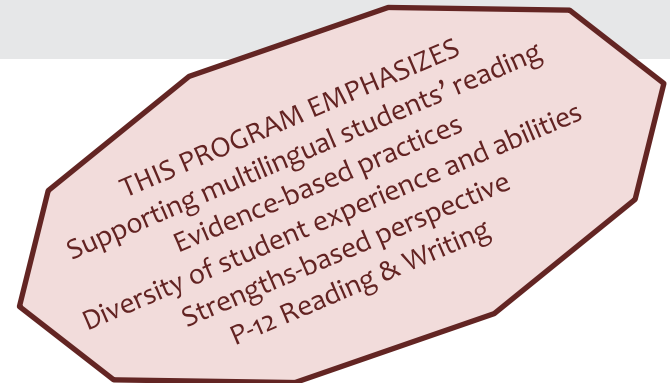
All courses are 3 credit hours. This rotation  
provides 18 credit hours to fulfill State  
requirements for the Reading Teacher  
endorsement.

### Clinical/Field Hours

\* Required clinical/field hours include experiences  
with diverse learners in a variety of levels and  
settings, including a practicum. These are fulfilled  
in course assignments and are designed with  
working teachers in mind.

**Special TIDE tuition pricing: \$275 per credit hour†**

† Tuition does not include mandatory semester fees.  
Tuition Price in effect through 8/2026.



### State of Illinois Endorsement Requirements

The courses listed to the left address all six key areas  
required by the state, as well as the required clinical  
hours and practicum.

In addition to required coursework, candidates must  
pass ILTS content test #222 - Reading Teacher.

**Teachers who wish to earn a Master's degree with  
the Reading Teacher endorsement may complete the  
18 hours listed at left, 12 additional hours (RDLT  
54400, 52700, 57500 & EDLD 55700 or RDLT 54700),  
the comprehensive exam for the M.Ed. degree, and  
the ILTS content test #222 – Reading Teacher.**

**To qualify as a Reading Specialist, teachers must  
complete the 18 hours listed at left and additional  
hours in State-approved specialist coursework for  
the Master of Arts degree (39 hours total).  
Candidates must also pass a comprehensive  
examination for the MA degree & ILTS content test  
#221 - Reading Specialist.**

Full admission to the Lewis University Graduate  
Reading Teacher Endorsement program is required.  
For more information on program admission, contact  
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