

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

Fall 2: Optional

RDLT 54400 Instruction and Resources for Developing Multiliteracies

RDLT 52700* Teaching Reading to the Diverse Learner

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

Six additional hours are optional, providing 24 hours towards the Reading Specialist endorsement.

THIS PROGRAM EMPHASIZES
Supporting multilingual students' reading
Research-based practices
Diversity of student experience and abilities
Strengths-based perspective
Writing Instruction

State of Illinois Endorsement and Clinical Hour 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.

* 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.

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

Teachers who wish to earn a Master's degree with only the Reading Teacher endorsement may complete the 24 hours listed at left, 6 additional hours (RDLT 57500 & EDLD 55700), the ILTS test, and a comprehensive exam for the M.Ed. degree.

To qualify as a Reading Specialist, teachers must complete the 24 hours listed at left and 15 additional hours in State-approved specialist coursework for the Master of Arts degree. 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 **Kathy Lisak**, Graduate Admission Office (815) 836-5610 grad@lewisu.edu www.lewisu.edu/coe