Department of Teaching and Learning

Master’s Degree (M.Ed.) in Reading Education

Information Sheet

The Master’s Degree in Reading Education program provides an opportunity for students to earn a 36-credit degree designed for already-certified (temporary or professional) teachers and experienced teachers who want to pursue an advanced degree and add reading certification upon passing the state examination. Please be advised that you can take no more than 1/3 of the credits in this program as a non-degree student before being officially admitted. If you have questions about any of the course work before being admitted, please contact the Department of Teaching and Learning at DeptTeachLearn@fau.edu.

Required Reading Courses: 18 credits

*Take all of the following courses:*

- RED 6351 Developmental Reading (a prerequisite for all Reading courses that follow)
- RED 6361 Teaching Reading in Secondary and Middle Schools
- RED 6546 Reading Diagnosis (RED 6351 is a prerequisite)
- RED 6548 Remedial Reading (RED 6546 is a prerequisite)
- RED 6656 Trends and Issues in Reading Education
- RED 6836 Reading Practicum (RED 6548 is also a prerequisite)

Educational Elective Courses: 3 credits

*Choose one:*

- EDG 6253 Design Components of School Curriculum or
- EDF 6432 Measurement or EDF 3430 Educational Measurement and Evaluation (or equivalent) required if course in measurement has not been taken previously

Research/Statistics Courses: 6 credits *(Department of Educational Leadership)*

*Take both of the following:*

- STA 6113 Educational Statistics (should be taken prior to or concurrently with EDF 6481)
- EDF 6481 Educational Research

Elective Courses: 9 credits in the College of Education, College of Arts and Letters, and/or College of Science some recommendations include but are not limited to MHS 6421, RED 6303, LAE 6352, LAE 6415, EDG 5931 (related to reading, language arts, children’s or adolescent literature)
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the Master's Degree in Reading Education program requires submission of the graduate application form. You will find information about the application process at http://www.fau.edu/graduate/. You must complete the actual graduate application online. In addition, in order to be considered for the Degree Program, you must submit the following documentation.

1. Official transcripts of all undergraduate coursework.

2. A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

3. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores.

4. Evidence of Professional Certification or eligibility for Temporary Certification.

5. Additionally, the applicant must have passing scores on all four sections of the General Knowledge sections on the FTCE. There are no exceptions or waivers to this General Knowledge test requirement unless an individual has taken and passed all sections of the CLAST examination prior to June 30, 2002.

Departmental approval will be contingent upon:

A grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or better in all work attempted while registered as an upper division student working for a baccalaureate degree;

OR

A minimum combined score of 1000 (quantitative and verbal) on the Graduate Record Exam (GRE). Graduate Record Examination scores must not be more than 5 years old (unless age of score is waived by petition submitted with application)

OR

A graduate degree from a regionally accredited institution.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The Master of Education in Reading Education (M.ED.) degree, consisting of a minimum of 36 credits, is awarded to students who have:

1. Passed the FTCE (Florida Teacher Certification Examination) in Reading;

2. Completed at least 18 credits in courses open only to graduate students;

3. Completed an approved program of study as certified by the department chair;

4. Achieved a grade point average of at least 3.0 on all graduate work attempted:

5. Completed the research and statistics core satisfactorily;

6. Been recommended for the degree by the faculty of the College of Education.

All College of Education Programs are approved by the Florida Department of Education and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). This State and NCATE approval represents the transferability of your teaching credentials from state-to-state. Please keep and consult the Florida Atlantic University catalogue from the semester that you were admitted to the program, for more details regarding your program.