

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION WITH LITERACY OPTION

Minimum credit hours for degree: 36

This program leading to a Master of Arts in Elementary Education is designed for elementary school teachers. Students complete foundations courses in education and in curriculum and instruction and courses for an area of concentration in literacy education.

Admission Requirements

Applications to the master's program in Elementary Education with Literacy Option must be completed and submitted at least six weeks (domestic) or six months (international) before the beginning of the term for which admission is sought in order to allow for adequate processing time. Students must have a 2.75 or higher undergraduate cumulative grade point average to be fully admitted. Contact the College of Education Office of Student Services at (330) 972-7750.

Degree Requirements

Educational Foundations – 9 credits

- 5100:600 Philosophies of Education (3 credits)
- 5100:624 Seminar in Educational Psychology (3 credits)
- 5100:640 Using Research to Inform Practice (3 credits)

Curricular and Instructional Studies – 6 credits

- 5500:600 Concepts of Curriculum & Instruction (3 credits)
- 5500:625 Contemporary Issues in Literacy Instruction and Phonics (3 credits)

Area of Concentration/Literacy – 15 credits* (chosen from the following)

- 5500:622 Children's Literature in the Curriculum (3 credits)
- 5500:627 Special Topics in Curricular & Instructional Studies (3 credits)
- 5500:522 Content Area Literacy (3 credits)
- 5500:626 Assessment of Reading Difficulties (3 credits)
- 5500:524 Teaching Reading to Culturally Diverse Learners (3 credits)
- 5500:627 Special Topics in Curricular & Instructional Studies (3 credits)
- 5500:628 Literacy Assessment Practicum (3 credits)

Master's Project/Thesis Options - 6 credits

Option 1:

- 5500:690 Educational Inquiry I (3 credits)
- 5500:691 Educational Inquiry II (3 credits)

Option 2:

- 5500:696 Masters Project (with advisor's permission) (6 credits)

Option 3:

- 5500:699 Masters Thesis (with advisor's permission) (6 credits)

* If seeking a reading endorsement, a valid teaching license, completion of 18 credit hours in reading, and a passing score on OAE Test 038/039: Subtests 1 and 2 are required.