

READING SPECIALIST K-12 ENDORSEMENT OPTION

Reading Specialist K-12 (BR) Endorsement

The Reading Specialist endorsement prepares teachers with the knowledge and skills essential for working with K-12 students who are below grade level in their literacy skills. This fully online program prepares teachers through instructional, assessment and/or leadership roles at the classroom, school and/or district levels and the endorsement qualifies the candidate to work as a reading specialist in school districts. A minimum of 30 credit hours are required.

I. Core Courses

The core sequence provides continuity and integration for all programs. Ideas of policy, change, growth and diversity are developed in the following courses.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required:		
EDA 501	Adv Social Fndations of Ed	3
EDK 500	Intro to Research in Education	3
EDC 560	Rdg:Diag/Assessment Tech K-12	3
Total Credit Hours		9

Students are strongly encouraged to elect at least one core class during the first year of work. Completion of all core classes is recommended within the first 20 credit hours. All core classes must be elected on the UM-Dearborn campus.

II. Professional Studies

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required:		
EDA 519	Early Literacy/Language Devel	3
EDB 503	Reading Programs: K-12	3
LIBR 575	Issues Lit Child/Yng People	3
EXPS 598	Exploring Writing/Chld&Yng Ad	3
EDA 555	Lang,Clture,Litrcy&Power in Ed	3
EDD 560	Reading:Clinical Pract Int/Sem ¹	3
Students who hold an elementary certificate should take EDD 569.		3
Students who hold a secondary certificate should take EDA 571.		
EDD 569	Discipline Literacy in Grades 5–12	
or EDA 571	Reading Models and Methods	
Total Credit Hours		21

¹ Students must complete EDA 519, EDB 503, EDC 560, and at least 6 additional hours in Core and Professional Studies courses before they will be approved to register for EDD 560.

To be recommended for the BR endorsement (Reading Specialist), candidates must provide documentation that they have passed the Michigan Teacher Test for Certification (MTTC) Reading Specialist test.