

**Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction with emphasis on Reading
Texas Reading Specialist
Program Information**

Who takes this program?

- Elementary or secondary teachers
- Curriculum or resource staff
- Tutoring support personnel

How does the program work?

- 36-hour program
- Can be completed in a two years
- Online program
- Courses that emphasize
 - Cutting-edge theory and practice
 - Curriculum and content related to increasing diversity of language and cultural populations
 - Authentic evaluation
 - Administration and supervision of reading programs.

How will this degree benefit me?

Graduates of the program have become Reading Specialists in public school districts, literacy team leaders, curriculum coordinators in public and private settings, adjunct instructors in higher education, and candidates in doctoral programs.

What courses will I take?

- Nine hours of education core courses
- Twenty-one hours of reading coursework
- Six hours of electives

What sets this program apart from other programs?

Student performance is evaluated throughout the program as a regular function of evaluating performance in each course taken. Graduate student performance and progress in the program will be addressed in individual conferences at the completion of six hours of Reading Courses.

Admission Criteria and Application Guidelines

Full Admission

- Score at least at the 50th percentile in either verbal or quantitative section of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE)
- Score at least a 4.0 on the analytical writing section of the GRE
- Minimum 3.0 grade point average (GPA) in all undergraduate coursework or last 60 hours, whichever is higher
- Must be a certified teacher

Conditional Admission

- Score at least at the 25th percentile in either verbal or quantitative section of the GRE
- Scores at least a 3.0 on the analytical writing section of the GRE
- Minimum 3.27 GPA in all undergraduate coursework or last 60 hours, whichever is higher
- Must be a certified teacher

Additional Requirements

- Personal letter
- Two letters of recommendation from academic area
- Writing Sample
- Resume and official transcripts from all colleges universities attended

Other Comments

- Students may register for only one class with a GRE test date and confirmation number if the student's undergraduate GPA is at least a 3.0. The test must be taken within 30 days of the first day of class.
- There is no application deadline.