



EDUCATION BUILT FOR LIFE

If you are passionate about helping students become successful readers and want a university that is user-friendly and has a variety of options, Upper Iowa University may be your best choice.

Reading is an important part of the Common Core and the Iowa Core, and school districts are seeking teachers who hold endorsements in reading. To be awarded the Master of Education degree with an emphasis in Reading you must earn a minimum of 36 approved graduate credit hours. The M.Ed. in Reading requires a minimum of 12 credits in reading coursework.

K-8 Reading Endorsement

M.Ed. CORE

- EDU 512 Educational Research Methods (core requirement)
- EDU 531 Teaching and Working in a Multicultural Setting (core requirement)
- EDU 590-05 Capstone Seminar (core requirement)

ENDORSEMENT CONTENT COURSES

- EDU 326 Developmental Reading and Language Arts
- EDU 333 Literature: Birth-Adolescence
- EDU 335 Teaching Elementary Language Arts
- EDU 507 Diagnostic Assessment Practices in Reading and Language Arts
- EDU 509 Practicum: Elementary Reading and Language Arts
- EDU 525 Content Area Literacy
- EDU 545 Language Acquisition
- EDU 585 Advanced Instructional Issues and Methods in Reading and Language Arts
- SPED 304 Exceptional Persons

5-12 Reading Endorsement

M.Ed. CORE

- EDU 512 Educational Research Methods (core requirement)
- EDU 531 Teaching and Working in a Multicultural Setting (core requirement)
- EDU 590-05 Capstone Seminar (core requirement)

ENDORSEMENT CONTENT COURSES

- EDU 326 Developmental Reading and Language Arts
- EDU 333 Literature: Birth-Adolescence
- EDU 507 Diagnostic Assessment Practices in Reading and Language Arts
- EDU 510 Practicum: Secondary Reading and Language Arts
- EDU 525 Content Area Literacy
- EDU 545 Language Acquisition
- EDU 585 Advanced Instructional Issues and Methods in Reading and Language Arts
- SPED 304 Exceptional Persons

One of the following:

- ENG 102 English Composition II
- ENG 201 Expository Writing

Or an equivalent composition course

The M.Ed. Reading is available online.



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READING SPECIALIST ENDORSEMENT AND LITERACY COACH CERTIFICATE

Convenient and User-Friendly

UIU will evaluate your transcript and require those courses or competencies not evident in your previous college coursework. Students may transfer up to 12 graduate credits toward the master's degree and up to 6 credits toward the certificate.

Do you want to earn a Master of Education degree with an emphasis in Reading and/or a Reading Specialist endorsement?

UIU has embedded the reading or reading specialist endorsement requirements into a 36-credit Master of Education degree. You can earn your master's degree and a reading endorsement in two years or fewer taking one course per session.

Reading Specialist Endorsement

M.Ed. CORE

- EDU 512 Educational Research Methods (core requirement)
- EDU 531 Teaching and Working in a Multicultural Setting (core requirement)
- EDU 590-05 Capstone Seminar (core requirement)

ENDORSEMENT CONTENT COURSES

- EDU 507 Diagnostic Assessment Practices in Reading and Language Arts
- EDU 522 Assessment for Learning
- EDU 525 Content Area Literacy
- EDU 534 Instructional Coaching
- EDU 545 Language Acquisition
- EDU 580 Best Practices in Literacy Intervention
- EDU 581 Administration of Literacy Programs
- EDU 585 Advanced Instructional Issues and Methods in Reading and Language Arts
- EDU 589 Reading Specialist Internship

Do you want to become a Literacy Coach to support other teachers in your school or district?

UIU has a 15-credit Literacy Coach Certificate that documents your skills related to serving as a peer coach in the area of literacy. All 15 credits of the Literacy Coach Certificate are also part of the Reading Specialist master's degree so teachers can get the certificate as a stand-alone or as a stepping stone toward the master's degree.

Literacy Coach Certificate

- EDU 525 Content Area Literacy
- EDU 534 Instructional Coaching
- EDU 580 Best Practice in Literacy Intervention
- EDU 581 Administration of Literacy Programs
- EDU 589 Literacy Coaching Internship

Note: Financial aid is not available for certificate programs.



The M.Ed. Reading emphasis, M.Ed. Reading Specialist endorsement and Literacy Coach Certificate are online.

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