Language and Literacy Studies Masters Program  
Effective, Fall, 2010  
Total minimum hours: 36 hours

For the Language and Literacy Studies Masters degree (M.Ed.), graduate students may choose between two options: (a) a general language and literacy option, or (b) a reading specialist option. The first option includes both required courses and literacy-focused electives, in which students select from a list of courses based on their interests and goals. The second option is designed for students who plan to apply for the Texas State Reading Specialist Certificate. These degree options are listed below. All graduate students will complete a portfolio as a part of their program and as a requirement for graduation. Language and Literacy graduate students are strongly encouraged to enter the program in the summer or the fall.

GENERAL OPTION:  
Basic Course Requirements (18 hours):

EDC 385G: The Teaching of Literacy  
• Take during the first fall semester of enrollment

Master Reading Teacher Institute (6 hours)  
EDC 390T: Reading and Inquiry  
EDC 390T: Literacy Practicum

EDC 380T: Teaching Composition OR Writing Process & Pedagogy

EDC 380R: Educational Research and Design

EDC 385G: Literacy and Social Change  
• Take during your last year of enrollment

Select 12 hours from the following list:  
EDC 390T: Young Adult Literature  
EDC 385G: Classroom Discourse and Teacher Research  
EDC 385G: Orality, Literacy and Technology  
EDC 385G: Literacy and Culture  
EDC 385G: History of Reading Instruction  
EDC 382S: Secondary English & Reading  
EDC 385G: Research on Adolescent Literacy In and Out of School  
EDC 390T: Children’s Literature  
EDC 385G: Language and Linguistics in Education  
EDC 385G: Reading Difficulties  
EDC 390T: The Art of the Picture Book  
EDC 385G: Literacy Acquisition
EDC 385G: Sociolinguistics in Research and Teaching
EDC 382E: Issues and Trends in Literacy
EDC 380T: Teaching Composition OR Writing Process & Pedagogy

6 hours of electives outside the department (not EDC)

READING SPECIALIST OPTION

Basic Course Requirements (18 hours):

EDC 385G: The Teaching of Literacy
  • Take during the first fall semester of enrollment

Master Reading Teacher Institute (6 hours)
  EDC 390T: Reading and Inquiry
  EDC 390T: Literacy Practicum

EDC 380T: Teaching Composition OR Writing Process & Pedagogy

EDC 380R: Educational Research and Design

EDC 385G: Literacy and Social Change
  • Take during your last year of enrollment

Requirements for Reading Specialist option (12 hours):
  EDC 385G: Language and Linguistics in Education
  EDC 385G: Reading Difficulties

  Select one course from the following list:
  EDC 382S: Secondary English & Reading
  EDC 385G: Research on Adolescent Literacy In and Out of School
  EDC 390T: Children’s Literature

6 hours of electives outside the department (not EDC)