LITERACY

This degree is for teachers who wish to instill in their students a deep affinity towards literature and reading. This Master of Arts in Education with a concentration in Literacy is designed to teach current theory and trends in literacy research, as well as best instructional practices. Reading, writing, and media communications are of particular focus with two required practica during the 36 credits of study. Candidates are required to take the Praxis II exam to gain additional licensure as “literacy teacher” or “literacy coach.”

PROGRAM OF STUDY (36 CREDITS)

CORE
(9 credits of required study)
EDFD 604 Statistics and Measurement in Education (3)
EDFD 606 Research in Education (3)
EDFD 608 The Culture of Schooling in America (3)

CONCENTRATION
(21 credits of required study)
EDRD 640 Foundations and Current Trends in Literacy Research and Practice (3)
EDRD 641 Teaching Reading and Writing in the Content Areas (3)
EDRD 729 Literacy Methods and Instructional Strategies (3)
EDRD 747 Critical Survey of Children’s Literature (3)
OR
EDRD 748 Critical Survey of Literature for Young Adults (3)
EDRD 749 Assessment and Instruction in Reading and Writing (3)
Prerequisites: EDRD 640, 641, 729, and 747 or 748, or approved equivalents.
EDRD 965 Practicum I: Assessment of Reading and Writing (3)
Prerequisites: EDRD 640, 641, 729, 747 or 748, and 749, or approved equivalents.
EDRD 966 Practicum II: Advanced Assessment of Reading and Writing (3)
Prerequisites: All courses in the reading concentration—EDRD 747 or 748, 640, 641, 729, 749, and 965—must be completed prior to beginning EDRD 966.
Must be the last course in the Literacy sequence.
May be taken concurrently only with EDFD 879.

RELATIED CREDITS
(Choose one course for 3 credits.)
EDOL 641 Teaching Reading and Writing to PK-12 English Language Learners (3)
EDOL 720 Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in Education (3)
EDRD 750 Scholarly Reading and Writing (3)

EXIT REQUIREMENT
(3 credits of required study)
EDFD 879 Master’s Seminar in Education (3)
Must be last course in degree program.
May be taken concurrently only with EDFD 966.

*Passing score on required Praxis II exam is necessary to add licensure and complete the degree.