**Reading Education**

**Master of Arts (M.A.) Degree**

**DEGREE INFORMATION**

**Priority Admission Application Deadlines**

**Fall:**  February 15

**Spring:** October 15

**Summer**: February 15

International applicant deadlines:

<http://www.grad.usf.edu/majors>

**Minimum Total Hours:** 36

**Level:** Masters

**CIP Code:** 13.1315

**Dept. Code:** EDR

**Major/College Codes:** ARD ED

**Approved** 1962

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

**College:** Education

**Department:** Teaching and Learning

**Contact Information:** [www.grad.usf.edu](http://www.grad.usf.edu/)

**MAJOR INFORMATION**

This degree is designed to prepare special reading teachers, clinicians, supervisors, directors, and coordinators of reading for school systems, as well as non-educational contexts. The MA in Reading Education includes spiraled competencies in Digital/Media Literacies as well Disciplinary Literacies and Global Literacies in its coursework.

**Accreditation:** Accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, and the Department of Education.

**ADMISSION INFORMATION**

Must meet University requirements (see Graduate Admissions) as well as requirements for admission to the major, listed below.

For admission, all majors require earned degrees from regionally accredited institutions or an international equivalent.

In order to be considered for admission, first-time or transferring graduate applicants must:

* Have a bachelor’s degree or equivalent from a regionally accredited university or the equivalent bachelors and/or graduate degrees from a foreign institution
* Have earned a “B” (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) average or higher in all work attempted while registered as an upper division student working in a baccalaureate degree in a regionally accredited institution

Have an earned, valid teaching certificate for Plan II OR Be eligible for professional certification through the completion of a Bachelor’s degree in Education Or enroll in the Plan III MA in Reading which focuses on non-school literacies and does not grant Reading Certification

Exceptions to minimum requirements will be considered for National Board Certification and an outstanding professional record.

**For International Students**

All applicants whose native language is other than English or who have earned a degree from an institution outside the United States must meet the University requirements relative to international graduate admission, (e.g. TOEFL scores, etc.). In addition to these university requirements, applicants to the College of Education must provide the following:

* A social security number for purposes of State testing, internship and practica.

**CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS**

**Program of Study 36 hours minimum**

Two options are available:

Option 1: Reading Education Plan I leading to State of Florida K-12 add-on Certification

Option 2: Reading Education Plan II

Core – 30

Additional courses – 3

Practicum – 3

**Core Requirements – 30 hours**

EDF 6481 3 Foundations of Educational Research

RED 6656 3 Trends in Literature in a Diverse Society

RED 6247 3 District and School Level Supervision and Coaching in Reading

RED 6449 3 Literacy and Technology

RED 6540 3 Assessment in Literacy

RED 6544 3 Cognition, Comprehension, and Content Area Reading: Remediation of Reading Problems

RED 6545 3 Learning Disciplinary Texts through Vocabulary and Word Study

RED 6747 3 History and Foundations of Reading in STEM Disciplines: Prevention and Intervention of Reading Difficulties

RED 6068 3 Adolescent Literacy

LAE 6315 3 Composing Disciplinary Texts: Research and Practice for Writers and Writing

**Additional Requirements – 3 hours**

For Option 1, students also complete:

TSL 5085 3 ESOL I: Teaching limited English Proficiency Students in K-12

This course may be waived with appropriate documentation by the COEDU ESOL Coordinator.

For Option 2, students also complete:

EDF 6517 3 Historical Foundations of American Education OR

EDF 6211 3 Psychological Foundations of Education

**Comprehensive Examination**

Successful performance on a Comprehensive Examination is required for degree completion.

**Practicum – 3 hours**

**Critical Tasks and Projects**

Students must successfully complete Critical Tasks/Projects in designated courses. These tasks/projects are posted to a Chalk and Wire account.

**COURSES**

See [http://www.ugs.usf.edu/course-inventory/](http://www.ugs.usf.edu/sab/sabs.cfm)