**THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON**

**READING ENDORSEMENT**

The University of Akron Reading Endorsement prepares licensed educators to add a K-12 reading endorsement to any standard teaching license such as Early Childhood, Middle Childhood, Intervention Specialist, Adolescence to Young Adult (AYA), or Multi-Age licenses. Applicants who have successfully completed a phonics course prior to enrolling in the endorsement program will need to complete only 5 of the courses in the program.

**Program Details**

- **Total Hours**: 18 graduate credit hours
- **Approximate Cost**: $6,630
- **Reading Endorsement can be completed in one semester, although it is not mandatory.**

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<th>Reading Endorsement Course Map*</th>
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<td><strong>Mandatory Courses</strong> ~ 3 hour Literacy Courses</td>
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| 5500:625 ~ Contemporary Issues in Literacy Education & Phonics | • **Three face-to-face sessions – the rest online.**  
• If you are not planning to finish in one semester, take this course first before taking the two courses below |
| 5500:626 ~ Assessment of Reading Difficulties | • **Meets one day a week face-to-face (1st ½ of semester)**  
• Fieldwork included  
• If you are not finishing in one semester, take these two courses last |
| 5500:628 ~ Literacy Assessment Practicum | • **Meets one day a week face-to-face (2nd ½ of semester)**  
• Face to face once a week  
• 25 hours of field  
• If you are not finishing in one semester, take these two courses last |

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| 5500:541 ~ Teaching Language Literacy to Second Language Learners | • **Fully online**  
• Self-paced  
• TESOL Course – Can be used toward a future TESOL Certificate  
• 12 field hours |
| 5500:543 ~ Techniques for Teaching ESL | • **Fully online**  
• Self-paced  
• TESOL Course – Can be used toward a future TESOL Certificate  
• 12 field hours |
| 5500:622 ~ Children’s Literature in the Curriculum | • **More than 50% online**  
• If you take this course and 522 both, they will not meet on the same week |
| 5500:522 ~ Content Area Literacy | • **More than 50% online**  
• If you take this course and 622 both, they will not meet on the same week |
| 5500:627 ~ Special Topics | • Various courses offered each semester |

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<th><strong>Transfer 1 Literacy Undergrad Course</strong> ~ 3 hour Literacy Course</th>
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| The state allows 1 literacy undergrad course to transfer toward your Reading Endorsement  
*For example: 5500:245 (UDLP) or other literacy course* |

**Additional Free Workshops**

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<th>Reading Subtest 1 &amp; 2 ~ Reading Endorsement Study Workshop</th>
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<td>Session to review areas critical to passing the licensure tests required to add the endorsement to your license.</td>
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