

# 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 recently completed a phonics course prior to enrolling in the endorsement program will need to complete only 5 of the courses in the program or 15 graduate credit hours.*



### Program Details:

- Total Hours: 15-18 graduate credit hours
- Reading Endorsement can be completed in one semester, although it is not mandatory.

### Reading Endorsement Course Map

#### Mandatory Courses - 3 Hour Literacy Courses

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| 5500:625 - Contemporary Issues in Literacy Education & Phonics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fully online</b></li> <li>• If you are not planning to finish in one semester, take this course first before taking the two courses below.</li> </ul> |
| 5500:626 - Assessment of Reading Difficulties                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fully online</b></li> <li>• Fieldwork included</li> <li>• If you are not finishing in one semester, take 626 and 628 last</li> </ul>                  |
| 5500:628 - Literacy Assessment Practicum                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fully online</b></li> <li>• 25 hours of field</li> <li>• If you are not finishing in one semester, take 626 and 628 last</li> </ul>                   |

#### Choose 2 Courses - 3 Hour Literacy Courses

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| 5500:524 - Teaching Reading to Culturally Diverse Learners        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hybrid</b></li> </ul>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TESOL Course - Can be used toward a future TESOL Certificate</li> </ul>                           |
| 5500:541 - Teaching Language Literacy to Second Language Learners | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fully online</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TESOL Course - Can be used toward a future TESOL Certificate</li> <li>• 12 field hours</li> </ul> |
| 5500:543 - Techniques for Teaching ESL                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fully online</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TESOL Course - Can be used toward a future TESOL Certificate</li> <li>• 12 field hours</li> </ul> |
| 5500:622 - Children's Literature in the Curriculum                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fully online</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No field required.</li> </ul>   |
| 55500:522 - Content Area Literacy                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fully online</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No field required.</li> </ul>   |
| 5500:627 - Special Topics   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fully online</b></li> </ul> |  |

#### Additional Free Workshop

##### Reading Subtest 1 & 2 - Reading Endorsement Study Workshop

Session to review areas critical to passing the licensure tests required to add the endorsement to your license each semester.

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