

Request for Graduate Non-Curricular Changes
COEPD, Literacy Education Program
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Attachment 3 Program Descriptions with Strikethroughs

Program Description

The Master of Arts in Literacy Education consists of six foundation courses, four advanced courses, two of which are practicum experiences, and two elective courses, for a total of 36 credit hours.

Admission Requirements

Applicants should follow the admissions process described in this catalog or at the Graduate Admissions website at www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissions/how-to-apply-for-admission

In addition, applicants must have:

- An undergraduate Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.7 or higher on a 4.0 scale for all previously completed undergraduate university work;
- A valid WV teaching certificate;
- ~~Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) General Test combined verbal and quantitative score of 286 or above or a score of 389 on the MAT.~~
- A minimum of one year of teaching experience or equivalent as a long-term substitute by the time of program completion.

Program Requirements

Degree candidates follow a planned program of study and must maintain a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0. The program of study includes several assessments that are completed as candidates move through the program.

Plan of Study

A Plan of Study approved by the student's advisor must be on file with the Literacy education Program within 30 days of acceptance into the program. The Plan of Study is a student's "blueprint" for completing graduation requirements.

- CIRG 636 Developmental Reading
- CIRG 644 Content Literacy
- CIRG 615 Writing in the Literacy Curriculum
- CIRG 653 Literacy Acquisition
- CIRG 622 The Use of Technology for Literacy Instruction
- CIRG 637 Literacy Assessment
- CIRG 654 Aligning Assessment and Instruction
- CIRG 643 Teaching Struggling Readers: A Practicum
- CIRG 623 Reading Instruction for Literacy Facilitators: A Practicum
- CIRG 621 Current Issues and Problems in Reading

Two electives, chosen in consultation with the program advisor.

This program requires six hours of supervised practicum and a series of performance assessments completed as candidates move through the program.

