



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

The Master of Education in Reading is designed for candidates who have an initial teaching license and want to expand their knowledge, skills, and dispositions in teaching literacy and coaching paraprofessionals and colleagues. To obtain certification as a K-12 reading specialist in the state of Oklahoma, candidates must meet the requirements of a master's degree program in reading and must pass the Reading Specialist Oklahoma Subject Area Test. This state certification exam requires that candidates demonstrate mastery of International Literacy Association (ILA) Standards for Reading Professionals. The program objectives for the Master of Education in Reading program focus on the knowledge, skills, and dispositions for reading specialists as outlined in the standards of the ILA. Current objectives for the M.Ed. program are listed on the [Cameron University Transparency webpage](#).

PROGRAM ADMISSION

Students who wish to pursue the M.Ed. in Reading should follow these procedures: 1) apply and be admitted to graduate studies at Cameron University; 2) provide evidence of holding a teaching license or certificate to the graduate advisor; 3) develop a formal Plan of Graduate Study with the assistance of the graduate advisor; 4) have two (2) acceptable recommendation forms submitted on their behalf; and 5) have a GPA of 3.0 or above.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS-33 HOURS

Required Courses-15 hours*

EDUC 5100 Introductory Seminar for Graduate Programs
 EDUC 5103 Introduction to Graduate Research
 EDUC 5603 Methods for Teaching Struggling Readers
 EDUC 5623 Theoretical Foundations of Reading
 EDUC 5633 Organizational and Individual School Reading Programs
 EDUC 5643 Advanced Diagnosis of Reading Difficulties
 EDUC 5653 Practicum in Reading I
 EDUC 5663 Teaching Reading in the Content Area
 EDUC 5683 Practicum in Reading II
 EDUC 5693 Advanced Child/Adolescent Literature
 EDUC 5723 Language and Literacy Development
 EDUC 5773 Phonics/Word Study/Linguistics

**Possible Pre/Corequisite: EDUC 5573 Foundations of Literacy*

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Complete electronic portfolio (evaluated upon completion of 12 hours and at program completion).
 Complete a minimum of 33 graduate hours listed on the Plan of Graduate Study with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above.
 Earn satisfactory scores on all recommendations and dispositional assessments.
 Earn passing scores on 12 hour and final program portfolio checks.
 Successfully complete the Analysis of Growth paper.
 Earn no more than two (2) C's on the Plan of Graduate Study.
 Complete the Application for Graduation.
 Complete the online exit survey.