
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN
Department of Curriculum & Instruction

Master's Degree
Language and Literacy Studies

Master of Arts and Master of Education degrees with a specialization in language and literacy studies are offered through the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. This handout contains information regarding the coursework which is required for the M.A. or M.Ed. degrees with either thesis or report, as well as the 36-hour M.Ed. with coursework only.

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BASIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS

All programs must include a minimum of 30 semester hours from the following or their equivalent.

1. ONE GENERAL COURSE:.....MINIMUM: 3 HOURS
 EDC 382E Teaching Elementary School Subjects Reading/Language Arts
 EDC 382S Teaching Secondary School Subjects English/Language Arts/Reading
2. ONE COMPOSITION COURSE:MINIMUM: 3 HOURS
 EDC 384P Teaching Composition
 EDC 385G Special Topics: Reading and Writing in the Elementary School
3. ONE LITERATURE COURSE:.....MINIMUM: 3 HOURS
 EDC 384P Children's Literature
 EDC 384P Literature for Young Adults
4. ONE LANGUAGE COURSE:.....MINIMUM: 3 HOURS
 EDC 385G Language Acquisition
 EDC 385G Psycholinguistics
 EDC 385G Literacy Acquisition
 EDC 385G Sociolinguistic Methods
 EDC 385G Biliteracy
5. ONE RESEARCH COURSE:.....MINIMUM: 3 HOURS
 EDC 396T Research in Reading
 EDC 396T Research in Language Arts
6. ONE PRACTICUM COURSE:.....MINIMUM: 3 HOURS
 EDC 384P Diagnostic Prescriptive Reading Instruction
 EDC 384P Diagnostic Prescriptive Language Arts Instruction
 EDC 384P Practicum in Reading Difficulties
 EDC 384P Practicum in Remedial Teaching
 EDC 397P Internship in Language Arts
 EDC 671ai Secondary Reading (when offered with practicum component)

7. ONE RESEARCH METHODS COURSE.....MINIMUM: 3 HOURS

__EDC 384P Educational Research and Design

8. THREE SPECIALIZATION COURSES:.....MINIMUM: 9 HOURS

NOTE: Additional courses taken beyond the minimum requirements in areas 1 through 5 may be counted toward the 9-hour minimum in this area. With the prior approval of the Graduate Advisor, additional courses from other departments (e.g., Psychology, Educational Psychology, English) that relate to Language and Literacy Studies may be applied toward the 9-hour minimum in this area.

__EDC 385G Reading Difficulties
 __EDC 382S Secondary, College, and Adult Reading
 __EDC 385G Special Topics in Literacy
 __EDC 385G Children's Questioning
 __EDC 385G Program Development; Literacy Programs
 __EDC 386 Literacy and Culture
 __EDC 671b Content Area Reading
 __EDC 384P Young Adult Literature
 __EDC 385G Sociolinguistics
 __EDC 385G Biliteracy
 __EDC 398T Supervision or College Teaching

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS (depending on type of degree sought)9. For students seeking Master of Education degree with coursework only:

TWO ELECTIVE COURSES.....MINIMUM: 6 HOURS

__ Elective:

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OR

For students seeking a Master of Arts degree with Thesis;

THESIS..... 6 HOURS

__EDC 698A & B Thesis

OR

For students seeking a Master of Arts degree with Report:

ONE ELECTIVE COURSE..... 3 HOURS

REPORT..... 3 HOURS

__ Elective:

__EDC 398R Report

All programs must include at least 6 semester hours outside the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. No more than 9 hours upper division undergraduate coursework may be counted (distributed as follows): 6 hours in Curriculum & Instruction and 3 hours outside C&I, **or** 3 hours in Curriculum & Instruction and 6 hours outside C&I.

Summary

MASTER OF EDUCATION.....36 hours

MASTER OF ARTS with thesis..... 36 hours

MASTER OF ARTS with report..... 36 hours

For the Reading Specialist Certificate, students are required to have:

- 1) a minimum of 3 semester hours at elementary level, 3 semester hours at secondary level, and 3 semester hours of all-level work;
- 2) a minimum of 3 semester hours of multi-cultural coursework;
- 3) a minimum of 18 semester hours of reading courses.