

Why should you enroll in CSUN's Reading Certificate and/or Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential Program?

Reading Certificate

The Reading Certificate authorizes the holder to assess student reading and provide instruction in response to those assessments. Reading Certificate holders are also authorized to develop, implement, and adapt the reading content curriculum and assist classroom teachers in these areas. Holders of the Reading Certificate may perform the above services at one or more school sites at the grade levels authorized by their prerequisite teaching credential.

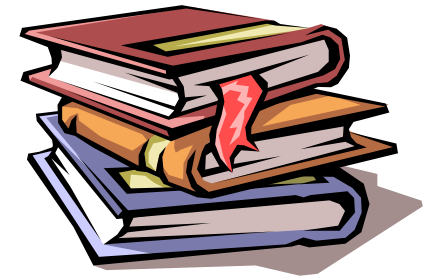
Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential

The Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential authorizes the holder to provide the following services as a reading specialist in any grade – preschool, kindergarten, grades 1 through 12, and in classes organized for adults:

- Assist and support classroom teachers in developing skills and methods in the teaching of reading and adapting and applying instructional materials to address students' needs.
- Plan and conduct staff development and in-service education for other faculty related to the methods of teaching reading;
- Assess students' reading difficulties and plan appropriate reading instruction to meet students' needs.
- Provide direct reading instruction to students.
- Select and adapt reading instruction materials.
- Develop and coordinate school, district, or county reading and language arts programs through the establishment of goals, objectives, and learning activities.

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Reading Certificate

PROGRAM PREREQUISITES

- Basic Teaching Credential
- ENGL 428 Children's Literature or ENGL 429 Literature for Adolescents

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Undergraduate cumulative GPA of 2.75 at the time of admission and cumulative GPA of 3.0 for all coursework completed after admission.

REQUIRED COURSES FOR READING CERTIFICATE (16 UNITS)

ENGL 405
SPED 670
EED 621
EED/SED 625A
EED/SED 625AL
SED 625ENG or EED 633

REQUIRED FOR READING CERTIFICATE RECOMMENDATION

- Completion of Reading Certificate coursework with a cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Reading Certificate Portfolio Approved by the Director of LA Times Literacy Center, one Literacy Professor, and the Department of Elementary Education Graduate Advisor
- Three years full-time teaching experience in any grade preschool through adult exclusive of student teaching, internship teaching or teaching while holding an emergency credential or permit.

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REQUIRED COURSES FOR READING AND LANGUAGE ARTS SPECIALIST CREDENTIAL (32 UNITS)

Reading Certificate Program (16 UNITS) and
EED 610 or EDU 600
EED/SED 625B
EED/SED 625BL
EED/SED 626
EED/SED 628
SED 617 or EED 616

REQUIRED FOR READING AND LANGUAGE ARTS SPECIALIST CREDENTIAL RECOMMENDATION

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 in Reading Certificate Coursework
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 in Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential Coursework
- Completion of Reading Certificate Coursework
- Completion of Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential Coursework
- Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential Portfolio Approved by the Program Coordinator, LA Times Literacy Center, one Literacy Professor, and the Department of Elementary Education Graduate Advisor.

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MASTER OF ARTS OPTION

Some coursework in the Reading Certificate and Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential program may be applied to a Master of Arts degree in Elementary Education. Consult the Department's Graduate Advisor, Credential Program Coordinator, or the CSUN catalog for details.

SPECIAL PROGRAM FEATURES

CSU Northridge's programs are specially designed teacher-friendly programs whereby course offerings and class schedules enable classroom teachers to continue their professional growth and become a part of the larger professional learning community. For additional information or to make an appointment with the Program Coordinator call (818) 677-5725 or visit our web site at

www.csun.edu/eed/graduate_program/graduate.html

About the Michael D. Eisner College of Education

The Michael D. Eisner College of Education at California State University Northridge is nationally recognized as a leader in the development of innovative programs to prepare quality teachers, counselors, administrators, and other education professionals. The teacher education program was recently selected as one of four in the nation recognized for excellence through a \$5 million grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York to develop model teacher education programs. In addition, the Michael D. Eisner Foundation has recently provided a gift of \$7 million to the College to create The Center for Teaching and Learning. The Center focuses on developing new programs to better prepare teachers to support all types of learners – including those with learning differences. The College collaborates closely with local school districts in developing programs that meet their needs for highly qualified education professionals. You will find a sense of community here, with caring collaborative professionals who enjoy working directly with students, are experts in their field, and are looking to develop the cutting-edge programs of the future.

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