Graduate Certificate in Reading

The online Graduate Certificate in Reading program at KU is an area of emphasis within the Curriculum and Instruction graduate program. The program is designed to provide individuals with the knowledge to support the reading development and achievement of individuals from varied cultural and linguistic backgrounds; expand knowledge in reading assessment and methodologies; and develop instructional practices for students in the classroom and in intervention/remediation settings.

Completion of a graduate certificate is not a guarantee of licensure or endorsement of any kind. It is each student’s responsibility to determine the licensure and endorsement requirements in his or her state and to apply for the licenses or endorsements necessary for his or her career goals.

Graduate Admission to the School of Education and Human Sciences

Graduate programs in education are open to students with acceptable baccalaureate and graduate degrees whose academic records indicate that they can do successful work at the graduate level. Regular admission requires a grade-point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in prior degrees. Individual departments may require additional information and may have more stringent admission requirements.

Departments that offer provisional admission have minimum grade point average requirements. Check admission requirements for individual programs. Applicants must provide evidence of ability to work successfully at the graduate level, including experience in and commitment to the profession. Exceptions to established policies must be sought individually by petition to the Graduate Division of the School of Education and Human Sciences.

See Admission in the Graduate Studies section of the online catalog for more information.

Each department in the School of Education and Human Sciences sets its own application deadlines. Prospective graduate students should contact their departments for more information.

Admissions Requirements

In addition to a completed online application, applicants also need to provide:

- Official transcript(s) for all undergraduate and postbaccalaureate course work, showing a GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
- Resume or curriculum vitae (CV)
- Statement of goals/purpose
- Application fee of $30

Please note: Letters of recommendation are not required for the Reading graduate certificate.

For students whose native language is not English, official scores on the TOEFL (IBT) of at least 23 in Listening, Reading and Writing. The TOEFL (IBT) official score is also accepted, with an overall score of at least 58, and scores of at least 53 in Listening, Reading and Writing. The TOEFL, IELTS or PTE scores must be less than two years old at the time of admission. TOEFL/IELTS/PTE scores may not be required if the applicant meets the verification of English proficiency requirements as specified below:

Graduation with a baccalaureate degree (or higher) earned in residence from an accredited English-medium U.S. college or university, or a college or university in the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, English-speaking province of Canada, or an English-speaking Caribbean country, with instruction conducted in English. Degrees earned online may not be used to verify English proficiency.

Please note: Meeting minimum admission standards does not guarantee admission to the program.

Disclosure information about the U.S. Department of Education Gainful Employment Program can be seen here (http://soe.ku.edu/admission/affordability/gainful-employment-disclosures/).

The Reading Certificate includes completion of 6 courses:

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