The Department of Early, Middle and Exceptional Education offers a master’s in language and literacy education in which students choose one of two concentrations: a literacy concentration leading to reading specialist certification or an ESL concentration leading to ESL certification. Both concentrations are available for elementary and secondary teachers who possess an Instructional Certificate in Pennsylvania. A Master of Education in Language and Literacy Education offers the student the opportunity to participate in original research and experiential programs in this field.

PROFESSIONAL CORE REQUIREMENTS

Professional Core Requirement
EDFN 601 Methods of Research (3)

Psychology Requirement Choose one:
PSYC 525 Advanced Developmental Psychology (3)
PSYC 526 Advanced Adolescent Psychology (3)
EDFN 545 Advanced Educational Psychology (3)
PSYC 625 Human Growth and Development (3)

Education Foundation Requirement Choose one:
EDFN 511 Comparative Education (3)
EDFN 590 Social Foundations Education (3)
EDFN 603 Philosophy of Education (3)
EDFN 604 Education and Public Policy (3)

READING SPECIALIST REQUIREMENTS

RDED 621 Foundations of Reading and Writing (3)
RDED 622 Reading and Writing in the Content Areas (3)
RDED 623 Diagnosis of Reading and Writing Disabilities: A Practicum (3)
RDED 624 Diagnosis and Correction of Reading and Writing Difficulties: Reading Clinic (6)
RDED 625 Psychological and Social Factors in Reading and Writing Ability (3)
RDED 626 Literacy Leadership (3)

EDUC 562 Methods for Teaching English Language Learners (3)

EDUC 636 Literature and Response (3) if a prior course in Children’s Literature was completed
EDUC 535 Lit for Children & Young Adolescence (3) if no prior course in Children’s Literature

Literacy Elective approved by the Graduate Coordinator (ie. Summer Literacy Institute)

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

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