

# Reading Teacher Endorsement

# College of Education

In our education-driven society, learning to read is the essential first step children must take on the road to successful and productive futures. Helping children become proficient readers makes a huge difference in their lives and boosts a school's overall quality. The Reading Teacher Endorsement certificate program at Governors State University prepares you to teach reading to K-12 students and make a difference.

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The certificate leads to an Illinois State Board of Education endorsement. In addition to meeting the university admission criteria, you must hold an Illinois or comparable out-of-state license in Early Childhood Education, Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education. You must have completed two years of teaching before being admitted to the reading diagnosis course.

You will take courses in diagnosis, remediation, psycholinguistic and sociolinguistic foundations of literacy, integrating literature across the curriculum, and narrative and expository writing instruction. Practicum experiences, at either the elementary or secondary levels, are matched to your existing teaching certificate. You have the option of applying your credits toward the M.A. in Reading and a reading specialist certification. Admission requirements for the M.A. program apply.

## Required Courses (All On-Line)

READ 6190 Narrative and Expository Writing Instruction, K-12 (3)  
READ 6200 Language, Culture, and Literacy (3)  
READ 6210 Survey of Reading: Theory and Practice (3)  
READ 6220 Teaching Reading in Content Areas (3)  
READ 6230 Integrating Children's and Adolescents' Literature Across the Curriculum (3)  
READ 7240 Literacy Assessment (3)  
READ 7250 Strategies and Interventions for Struggling Readers (3)

Select the practicum appropriate to the original certificate:

READ 8260 Literacy Strategies 1-5 w/Practicum (3) or  
READ 8270 Literacy Strategies 6-12 w/Practicum (3)

## Total - 24 Hours

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