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READING AND LITERACY

ADDED AUTHORIZATION

Help Improve the Literacy Rates of California's Students

The Reading and Literacy added Authorization at National University provides knowledge and skills for becoming a leader in literacy. Approved by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC), this program is for educators who already have valid California teaching credentials, three years of full-time teaching, and wish to attain a specialty in assessing student reading capabilities and provide reading instruction in response. Candidates will learn to develop, implement, and adapt reading content curriculum and assist classroom teachers at one or more school sites at the grade levels authorized by their prerequisite teaching credential.

Program highlights:

- Program is available online except for field experience requirements. (Please see catalog for specific field experience requirements).
- Acquire the tools for reading assessment and instruction.
- Learn to develop, implement, and adapt reading content curriculum and assist other classroom teachers.

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GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN READING AND LITERACY CERTIFICATE (ADDED AUTHORIZATION) CALIFORNIA ONLY

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The Reading Certificate (Added Authorization) authorizes the holder to assess student reading and provide reading 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 certificate may perform the above services at one or more school sites at the grade levels authorized by their prerequisite teaching credential.

Requirements for the Certificate

1. Hold a bachelor's or master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university where an overall grade point average of 2.5 or better was achieved, or where a grade point average of 2.75 or higher was achieved in the last 90-quarter units.
2. Possess a valid California teaching credential and two years' full-time teaching experience.
3. Meet with Admission Advisor to enroll in the Reading Certificate (Added Authorization) program.
4. Meet with Credential Program Specialist within 30 days of enrollment to obtain reading certification application procedures. This packet provides detail on the additional requirements for the certificate listed below.
5. No coursework is accepted from another university for this program and no substitutions are allowed.
6. Candidates must maintain a 3.0 GPA. "D" and "F" grades are not accepted. Candidates are also required to upload assignments in the Reading Specialization electronic Presentation Portfolio in e-College.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Examine the theories and research related to effective reading and language arts instruction.
- Analyze current research on elements of an effective culture of literacy at the classroom, school, district, and community levels.
- Analyze current, confirmed, reliable and replicable quantitative and qualitative research pertaining to language and literacy instruction.
- Design appropriate assessment, instruction, and differentiation in the field.
- Evaluate the culture of literacy at a classroom, grade or school level, and identify how it supports or impedes student's literacy development.

Certificate Requirements

(4 courses; 18 quarter units)

ARL 645	Dev. Fluency in Reading
ARL 646	Comprehension Strategies
ARL 647A	Lang. Arts Assess. and Instruc. I <i>Prerequisite: ARL 645 and ARL 646</i>
ARL 647B	Fld. St.: Lag. Art Assess. & In. II <i>Prerequisite: ARL 645, ARL 646 and ARL 647A</i>

Note: At the end of each course, candidates must have their instructor sign off on the competency verification e-forms. These verification forms must be completed for each course before applying for the certificate.

Completion Requirements for the CA Added Authorization

1. Provide verification of three years' successful, full-time teaching experience in any grade or subject, preschool through adults. A letter or other appropriate documentation by the candidate's employer may provide verification. Acceptable experience does NOT include student teaching, internship teaching, or teaching while holding an emergency permit. This experience may also be gained outside of California.
2. Provide a copy of a teaching credential valid for a minimum of 12 months and have a non-delinquent student account balance.
3. For each course, provide verification e-forms signed off by each course instructor.
4. After successful completion of the required coursework and a completed credential packet, the regional reading certificate coordinator will review the packet for final approval. Once approval is obtained, please see your Credential Advisor to apply to the CTC for the certificate. A valid credit card for the online application fee is required.