

Master of Science in Teaching Literacy - Birth through Grade 12
(This degree leads to dual certification)

Content Core Requirements

EDUC 507 Approaches to Literacy Instruction in Early Childhood through Adolescence.....	3 credits
EDUC 561 Literacy Instruction for Students with Disabilities.....	3 credits
EDUC 573 Learning Technology Across the English Language Arts.....	3 credits
EDUC 648 Dimensions of Learning and Literacy.....	3 credits
Total.....	12 credits

Teaching Literacy, Birth through Grade 12

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Requires completion of the four Core Courses listed above and the following six courses:

EDUC 522 Language Development and Literacy Acquisition.....	3 credits
EDUC 590 The Teaching of Writing and the Writing Process.....	3 credits
EDUC 591 Child and Adolescent Literature.....	3 credits
EDUC 643 Reading and Writing in the Content Area 5–12.....	3 credits
EDUC 659 Practicum in Literacy Assessment, Birth–Grade 12.....	3 credits
EDUC 660 Practicum in Literacy Instructional Practices, Birth–Grade 12.....	3 credits
Total.....	18 credits

Culminating Project:

EDUC 658 Seminar in the Organization and Administration of Literacy Programs.....	3 credits
Total.....	33 credits

The five courses marked in red will be taken locally through the Middletown Teacher Center. The remaining courses will be taken through Mercy College either online or on-site at one of their campuses.

**Advanced Certificates in Teaching Literacy
Birth to Grade 6 ~ Grades 5 to 12**

Advanced Certificate in Teaching Literacy, Birth to Grade 6

The 15-credit Advanced Certificate in Teaching Literacy, Birth to Grade 6, will permit qualified applicants, who have a Master’s Degree and hold a teaching certificate in another teaching area to earn initial or professional certification in Teaching Literacy, Birth to Grade 6. This certificate requires completion of the five courses listed below, completion of Content Specialty Test in Literacy, and completion of fifty hours of practical experience in EDUC 650. Applicants to this program must also include a copy of the initial certificate with their application materials.

The five courses are:

EDUC 522 Language Development and Literacy Acquisition.....	3 credits
EDUC 561 Literacy Instruction for Students with Disabilities.....	3 credits
EDUC 617 Literacy Instruction, Birth - Grade 6.....	3 credits
EDUC 627 The Writing Process and Instructional Strategies, Birth - Grade 6.....	3 credits
EDUC 659 Practicum in Literacy Assessment, Birth - Grade 12..... (50 hours required)	3 credits
Total.....	15 credits

Advanced Certificate in Teaching Literacy, Grades 5 to 12

The 15-credit Advanced Certificate in Teaching Literacy, Grades 5–12 will permit qualified applicants, who have a Master’s Degree and hold a teaching certificate in another area to earn initial or professional certification in Teaching Literacy, Grades 5–12. This certificate requires completion of the five courses listed below, completion of Content Specialty Test in Literacy and completion of fifty hours of practical experience in EDUC 659. Applicants to this program must also include a copy of the initial certificate with their application materials.

The five courses are:

EDUC 561 Literacy Instruction for Students with Disabilities.....	3 credits
EDUC 565 Writing Process and Instructional Strategies, Grades 5 - 12.....	3 credits
EDUC 621 Literacy Instruction and Adolescent Literature 5 - 12.....	3 credits
EDUC 643 Reading and Writing in the Content Area, Grades 5 - 12.....	3 credits
EDUC 659 Practicum in Literacy Assessment, Birth - Grade 12..... (50 hours required)	3 credits
Total.....	15 credits

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