

MCPS SUGGESTED ELEMENTARY READING CONTENT COURSE WORK TO MEET MSDE REQUIREMENTS

MSDE requires 12 semester hours in the content for regular and special education teachers **certified** at the early childhood and elementary levels regardless of assignment.

- Processes and Acquisition of Reading—Explains the process of language development, including the impact of phonemic awareness, and how the brain responds to reading acquisition.
- Instruction of Reading—Shows teachers how to use a balanced program of phonics, semantics, and syntactics in teaching reading.
- Materials for Teaching Reading—Exposes teachers to a variety of texts to be used in their classes & explains strategies for selecting/evaluation materials.
- Assessment for Reading Instruction—Shows teachers how to use state, local, and classroom reading assessment data to make ongoing instructional modifications.

OR

Alternative to Completing Reading Course Work—Applicants or current certificate holders with certification in early childhood, elementary, or special education at the early childhood and elementary levels may test out of the reading requirement by meeting the qualifying score of 162 on the **Praxis II 5203 test, Teaching Reading: Elementary Education**. Renewal credits must be completed even if this option is chosen to fulfill the reading requirements.

NOTE: If you are in an approved certification program, please check with your college for acceptability of any of these courses. If you find another course that you believe may apply, please submit a written request (email is acceptable) with the course description along with a written request regarding the applicability of the course to the Certification Unit/DCS, 45 W Gude Dr, Suite 2300, Rockville, MD. If you send the request via email to Marie_Bercaw@mcpsmd.org, please include the link to the online information for review.

REQUIREMENT	COURSE
Processes and Acquisition of Reading Skills	RD48 - Processes and Acquisition of Reading (MCPS) REA-500TE – Foundations in Reading (Grand Canyon U) ELM-505TE – Foundational Literacy Skills & Phonics (Grand Canyon U) EDUC 243* – Processes and Acquisition of Reading (Montgomery College) EDU 666 - Process and Acquisition of Reading (Trinity Washington U) RDNG 504 - Phonological Theory and Application (Univ of Phoenix On-Line)
Methods of Reading Instruction	RD52 - Instruction of Reading (MCPS) EDUC 244* - Elementary Instruction of Reading (Montgomery College) EDU 530C - Methods of Teaching Reading in the Content Area: Elementary (Trinity Washington U) EDU 704B - Instruction of Reading (Trinity Washington U) RDNG 501 - Reading Methods: Elementary (Univ of Phoenix On-Line) RDNG 500 - Reading Methods: Primary (Univ of Phoenix On-Line)
Assessment for Reading Instruction	RD51 - Assessment for Reading Instruction (MCPS) REA-510TE – Survey of Reading Assessments (Grand Canyon U) EDUC 246* Assessment for Reading Instruction (Montgomery College) EDUC 41471 – Teaching Struggling Readers (K-3)/Flex Course (PDI/Univ of California San Diego Extension) EDUC 41449 – Response to Intervention in Reading (K-6)/Flex Course (PDI/Univ of California San Diego Extension) EDU 734B - Assessment for Reading Instruction (Trinity Washington U) EDU 896A - Corrective Strategies for Remediating Reading (Trinity Washington U) RDNG 503 - Diagnosis and Remediation (Univ of Phoenix On-Line) RDNG 511 – Reading Assessment (Univ of Phoenix On-Line)
Materials for Teaching Reading	RD53 - Materials for the Teaching of Reading (MCPS) REA-585TE- Children’s Literature (Grand Canyon U) EDUC 245* Materials for Reading Instruction (Montgomery College) EDUC 41467 – Using Children’s Literature in the Classroom (PDI/Univ of California San Diego Extension) EDU 526A - Children’s Literature/Materials for Reading (Trinity Washington U) RDNG 505 - Children’s Literature (Univ of Phoenix On-Line)

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<p>Additional Options for Reading Course Work (including one and two credit reading courses)</p> <p>If you need to meet a specific reading content area, such as reading assessment, please have the course pre-approved by the Certification Coordinator prior to enrolling if the course is not one of those listed above.</p>	<p>http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/about/Pages/DEE/Program-Approval/Reading.aspx http://www.adams.edu/extended_studies/ http://www.pbs.org/teacherline/catalog/ - You must apply for and receive either MSDE CPD credits or graduate credits through the partner university for these to apply to the State reading and renewal requirements. http://www.webteaching.com/issubject.htm#reading – You must apply for and receive the graduate level credits through their partner university, University of California San Diego (UCSD) Extension for these to apply to the State reading and renewal requirements.</p>
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*** Undergraduate courses are not applicable toward advanced salary placement.**

Contact Information:

MCPS Professional Development Online (PDO) at <https://pdo.mcpsmd.org/ia/render.userLayoutRootNode.uP>

Grand Canyon University at <https://www.gcu.edu/individual-courses/continuing-education>

Montgomery College at <http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/distance>

Trinity Washington University at <http://www.trinitydc.edu/continuing-education/>

University of Phoenix at <http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/continuing-education/education.html> -- Click on Course Schedule

University of California San Diego, Extension, via Professional Development Institute at <http://www.webteaching.com/>