**OHIO UNIVERSITY**

Reading Endorsement

**INTRODUCTION**

Approved by the Ohio Board of Regents, this series of courses leads to a K-12 endorsement, after which the student must pass the appropriate OAE examination. The endorsement permits teachers who hold an Ohio teaching license or certificate to teach reading to all students at any grade level (fulfilling the requirements of SB316), including Title II reading programs. Students must have completed at least 9-12 hours (depending on licensure area) of reading course pre-requisites (graduate/undergraduate).

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The K-12 Reading Endorsement provides teachers with knowledge and skills to identify the reading needs of students and apply knowledge for instructional decision making. Those enrolled in the program will gain an understanding of how to prescribe, differentiate reading instruction, and utilize appropriate strategies and materials from scientifically-based research in order to address prevention, identification, and remediation of reading problems. Upon completion, the endorsement will allow you to work with students in the public schools (K-12) who may need reading and writing assistance. It also prepares teachers to oversee the reading curriculum, diagnose reading difficulties, and supervise reading non-professional staff.

**PROGRAM COURSES**

The entire program is 15 credit hours long (5 courses) and includes the following courses:

**EDTE 5200—Foundations of Reading Instruction** (3)

**EDTE 5220—Diagnosis: Reading/Language** (3)

Includes 35 field hours with a student in grades K-3 or 4-6

**EDTE 5230—Reading/Language Laboratory** (3)

Includes 35 field hours with a student in grades K-3 or 4-6

**EDTE 5260—Secondary Reading Instruction** (3)

Includes 35 field hours with a student in grades 7-12

**EDTE 5270—Phonics and the Structure of Language** (3)*

*Effective July 1, 2014, all applicants applying for the reading endorsement must have completed all coursework applicable to the endorsement within the past five (5) years. We will continue to accept, as transferrable into the current reading endorsement program, a phonics course (undergraduate or graduate level) that has been completed at any time.

**WHO CAN TAKE THESE COURSES**

This program is designed for licensed teachers who wish to add the Reading endorsement to their current teaching license. Courses are offered at the graduate level and may be used to renew your teaching license. Additionally, the credit hours earned as part of this program may be used toward the Masters of Education in Reading at Ohio University within five years.

**PROGRAM COMPLETION OPTIONS**

There are three options for completing the program:

**Option I:** Complete all courses in the summer

**Option II:** Begin courses in the summer & continue through the fall and spring

**Option III:** Begin courses in the fall and continue through the spring and summer

**ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS**

You may complete the online application on our website. You will also need to submit official transcripts from any previous institutions to: Graduate College, Ohio University, 220 Research & Technology Center, Athens, OH 45701. You will NOT need to provide any letters of recommendation.

**TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID**

The endorsement courses are approximately $523/credit hour for Ohio residents. As a non-degree graduate student working toward teacher certification, financial aid is limited to the private alternative loans to consider as a resource. For questions about private alternative loans, contact the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships.

All courses offered entirely online.

For complete program information or to learn more about other online endorsement programs please visit the Patton College website.