

MASTER of ARTS in LITERACY EDUCATION

AT ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY



The Program:

The School of Education at Roger Williams University seeks to educate reflective leaders whose practice is grounded in a commitment to social justice, civil discourse, global citizenship and educational excellence for all students. Building on that tradition of educating teachers with an emphasis on social justice and multicultural themes, the School of Education is pleased to offer a Master of Arts in Literacy Education.

The MA in Literacy Education program at Roger Williams University is designed to provide licensed teachers with the necessary skills to thrive as reading specialists. The program is taught by expert literacy professors dedicated to delivering high-quality instruction to help teachers develop competencies in literacy instruction, assessment, and leadership.

In addition to a master's degree, this 31-credit program leads to certification as a Pre-K–12 reading specialist/consultant in the state of Rhode Island and in member states of the Interstate Certification Compact (ICC). All learning experiences are guided by the International Reading Association Standards for Reading Professionals.

For more information, please contact Dr. Susan Pasquarelli, Program Director at spasquarelli@rwu.edu

Criteria for Admission:

1. Active, valid Teaching Certificate from any state
2. Official transcripts of ALL undergraduate and graduate records
3. Two recommendations attesting to your suitability for graduate school
4. Resume or Curriculum Vitae
5. Personal statement
6. If your first language is not English, an official report of TOEFL or IELTS results
7. Personal interview

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The Curriculum:

All courses are 3 credits unless otherwise specified

Curriculum Level 1: Explorations

EDU 610: Introduction to Literacy Research

EDU 616: Research-Based Literacy Practices I: Writing Across the Curriculum, K-12

Curriculum Level 2: Investigations

EDU 618: Literature for Children and Young Adults

EDU 620: Research-Based Literacy Practices II: Reading Across the Curriculum, K-12

EDU 622: Research Based Literacy Practices III: Preparing Strategic Readers, K-12

EDU 634: Assessment of Reading and Writing Difficulties

EDU 638: Clinical Experience in Literacy Education (6 credits)

Curriculum Level 3: Professionalism

EDU 650: Leadership for Literacy Professionals

EDU 654: Advanced Literacy Research Seminar (4 credits)



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