MASTER IN EDUCATION

Special Reading

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What is the Master in Education (Special Reading)?
The Drury University Master of Education in Special Reading is designed to enhance the literacy instructional practice of teachers in grades Pre-K through 12. Courses embedded in this program lead to Missouri Special Reading certification.

Please note: Acquisition of the M Ed-Special Reading from Drury University does not automatically lead to Special Reading Certification from the State of Missouri.

In order to obtain Special Reading Certification from the State of Missouri program participants need to have the following prerequisites: two (2) years teaching experience; an approved Behavior Management course (the Classroom Management course at Drury is approved); an approved Child and Adolescent Psychology course(s); an approved Education of the Exceptional Children; and an approved Basic Reading Methods course.

Please meet with an advisor for additional certification information.

What is the program of study?
Master in Education (Special Reading, 36 hours)
The Master in Education requires 36 hours of credit, usually taken in 12 courses. The proposed courses are as follows:

- HFA 636 Teaching and Evaluation of Writing (3)
- SCI 620 Technology in the Classroom (3)
- SS 611 Counseling Parents of Exceptional Children (3)
- EDUC 651 Evaluation of Abilities and Achievement (3)
- EDUC 652 Language Development for the Exceptional Child (3)
- EDUC 660 Practicum I: Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Related Difficulties (3)
- EDUC 661 Practicum II: Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Related Difficulties (3)
- EDUC 665 Improvement of Reading Instruction (3)
- EDUC 667 Analysis and Correction of Reading Disabilities (3)
- EDUC 670 Leadership in Reading (3)
- EDUC 689 Introduction to Educational Research (3)
- EDUC 700 Capstone Seminar (3)

What is the tuition for the Master in Education cohort?
- Tuition per credit hour: $308
- Tuition per course: $924
- Tuition for 36 credit hours: $11,088
When is payment due?
- Payment is due the first day of class unless other arrangements have been made.
- Students wishing to utilize Drury’s optional monthly payment plan should contact the Drury University Financial Aid Office at (417) 873-7343 or fs@drury.edu.

Is financial aid available?
- Loan funds: U.S. Department of Education Stafford Loan Program is available. Information regarding student loans may be obtained by contacting Drury University’s Springfield Financial Aid Office at (417) 8737312 or by visiting the Financial Aid web page at www.drury.edu/faq.
- Veterans: Students eligible for the G.I. Bill can receive benefits for graduate study. For questions regarding eligibility contact the Veterans Administration Counselor at Drury University’s Springfield office (417) 873-7331.

What are the requirements for admission to the program?
The following items must be received by the Graduate Programs Office:
- Completed application for admission and $25 non-refundable application fee. The form may be accessed online at www.drury.edu/graduate.
- Official transcripts of all college work sent by the issuing institution. Student copies will not be accepted.
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogy Test (MAT) scores not more than five years old.
- Two letters of recommendation from professional or educational sources.
- A personal statement indicating the applicant’s desire and ability to pursue a graduate degree in education.

The graduate council determines whether an individual is accepted for the program on the basis of the information obtained in the steps above. Because enrollment is limited, an individual should submit an application at the earliest possible date.
- If an applicant has previously been accepted into a graduate program, the GRE/MAT requirement may be waived.
- Foreign applicants are also required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOFEL). Information regarding the TOFEL may be obtained at www.tofel.org.

What are the graduation requirements?
- Successful completion of 36 semester hours.
- Cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 for all courses undertaken in the Master in Education program. Courses with a final grade below “C” cannot be counted for credit toward the degree.

What if I have questions?
Please call the Graduate Studies office (Springfield campus) at (417) 873-7530 or (417) 873-6974 or email kelam@drury.edu