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University of Kansas Program

READING EMPHASIS IN THE MASTER’S DEGREE AND KANSAS LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS READING SPECIALIST
Reading Focus in Graduate Program
All students are to begin their studies in reading by enrolling in C&T 740 Foundations of Reading: Process, Theory, and Instruction. This is a requirement and serves as a prerequisite for all additional reading courses. Teachers seeking to learn more about reading either to improve their classroom instruction or to meet district requirements to be hired for reading teacher positions (e.g. Title I) should follow C&T 740 followed by courses listed in Core A in the sequence of coursework outlined.

Kansas Reading Specialist License
Those students who wish to pursue the requirements of state licensure as a Reading Specialist must complete the coursework outlined in Cores A and B. Additionally, the state requires Reading Specialist License applicants to hold a current professional teaching license, 2 years of classroom teaching experience, a passing score on the Praxis II Subject Examination for Reading Specialist, Completion of a master’s degree is also a requirement. Speak to your reading faculty advisor for more information on state licensure if interested.

Reading Coursework Within a Graduate Degree All reading coursework may be embedded into a master’s program. Consultation with your advisor is essential.