

LITERACY AND LANGUAGE

OFFICE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Admission requirements

In addition to minimum Office of Graduate Studies requirements; refer to the other side, admission in full standing to the degree program requires that applicant meets the following requirements:

1. Valid teacher certification or eligibility for such.
2. An admission interview with the program coordinator.
3. Three letters of professional reference.

For more information

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Program

The Literacy and Language Master's program provides licensed teachers and other educators with the opportunity to develop expertise in literacy. The program is designed for those who wish to earn a Master's Degree in Literacy and Language. After completion of the degree combined with three years teaching experience you are eligible for 17 Reading Specialist licensure. Those with two years teaching experience are eligible for 316 Reading Teacher licensure.

The courses in Literacy and Language are offered every year and summer session on campus. In addition, classes are frequently held at off-campus sites with cohort groups.

The program is open to full-time or part-time students.

Degree requirements

The program consists of 30 graduate credits.

Candidates must successfully complete "Reflective Journey of a Reading Educator" (Reading 798), which is 1 credit in each of two semesters and requires a portfolio to be submitted in their final semester.

Accreditation

Licensure programs approved by Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) aligned with the International Literacy Association Standard.

GAP - Graduate Achievement Program

The GAP in Literacy is designed for individuals who have completed a master's degree and who wish additional study for professional enrichment or meeting licensure requirements. It is an individually designed sequence of 19-25 credits.

Certificate Programs include:

Bilingual Reading Teacher Certificate
Literacy Coaching Certificate
Disciplinary Literacy Certificate

About the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh

- Third largest of the 13 state-supported universities comprising the University of Wisconsin System.
- Enrolls about 1,200 graduate students out of a total student body of about 13,500.
- Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA).
- With a population of more than 65,000, the city of Oshkosh is consistently ranked among the top small cities in the nation.

Graduate program faculty and services

- Graduate faculty hold earned doctorates, terminal degrees or professional credentials in their respective fields.
- Excellent student resources, research equipment and facilities produce an ideal environment for graduate programs.

Financial assistance

- Graduate assistantships are available to eligible students each year.
- The Advanced Opportunity Program offers funds to students of color and non-minority economically disadvantaged students.
- Scholarships may be available through various colleges and graduate departments.
- Loans and employment are available through the Office of Financial Aid.
- International students are eligible to apply for both graduate assistantships and state of Wisconsin nonresident partial tuition remissions.

Non-degree students

- Persons with a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution may take coursework as a graduate special student for professional advancement or enrichment without being admitted to a degree program.
- Enrollment in courses is subject to availability and/or approval.

Cooperative programs

Selected programs are offered in cooperation with other University of Wisconsin System institutions whereby a portion of the coursework may be completed on another campus. These are:

- Doctorate of Nursing Practice at UW-Eau Claire
- Curriculum and Instruction at UW-Sheboygan

Minimum admission requirements

Admission in full standing to a master's degree program requires the applicant to meet minimum Graduate Studies requirements:

- A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution.
- An undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.75 (4.00 scale) or at least 2.90 during the last half (approximately 60 credits) of undergraduate work.
- Submission of *official* transcripts of all collegiate work.
- Submission of a completed on-line application and payment of a non-refundable \$56 application fee.

Most programs have additional admission requirements such as letters of recommendation, GRE scores, written personal statements and others. Refer to www.uwosh.edu/gradstudies, the program website, or contact the Graduate Studies office for more information.

NOTE: International student admission requirements differ from U.S. citizens. Contact the Office of Graduate Studies for more information.