Program: M.S.Ed. 36 Credits Program in Literacy Studies birth-6th grade and 5th-12 grade

The 36-credit Program in Literacy Studies leads to a Master of Science in Education degree. Registered in New York State, the program leads to professional certification in teaching literacy in two different concentrations: Birth-Grade 6 and Grades 5–12.

Steps in the Program

**Step 1: Admission to Program**

- Applicants must submit the following:
  1. A bachelor's degree or equivalent from an accredited college or university.
  2. Demonstrated ability to pursue graduate study successfully, that is, a minimum grade average of B in the undergraduate records as a whole.
  3. An initial teaching certificate or qualify for initial certification within three semesters.
  4. An essay outlining career goals.
  5. Two letters of recommendation.
  6. An individual interview.

**Step 2: M.S.Ed. Program in Literacy Studies Continuation Requirements**

1. Maintain GPA of 3.0.
2. Meet any conditions placed on initial matriculation before the completion of 12 graduate credits. *School and Departmental policies regarding academic probation also apply.*

**Taking the following courses for Professional Certification in Teaching Literacy Birth-6th Grade (36 credits)**

EDR 702 (3), EDR 712 (3), EDR 752 (3), EDR 765 (3), EDR 529 (3), EDR 605 (3), EDR 731 (6), EDR 767 (3), EDR 768 (3), EDS 701 (3)
Courses for Professional Certification in Teaching Literacy 5th-12th Grade (36 credits)

EDR 703 (3), EDR 713 (3), EDR 753 (3), EDR 765 (3), EDR 529 (3), EDR 605, (3), EDR 733 (6), EDR 767 (3), EDR 768 (3), EDS 701 (3)

Step 3: Exit Requirements

Applicants must submit the following:
1. Completion of the 36 graduate credits of study including the practicum and the thesis writing.
2. A Minimum GPA of 3.0 throughout the 36-credit concentration.

Graduate Courses: Degree Requirements

I have met with this candidate to discuss program/certification requirements:

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Program Coordinator _____
Certification Officer _____
Other _____

I have been advised about the courses that I need to complete my program and certification.

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Candidate

Date: ________________________________

Cc: Candidate
Department
Office of the Dean, School of Education

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