

CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY IN READING

Total units required for Certificate: 12

Program Description

A graduate student may earn a Reading Certificate (issued by CCTC) by completing the courses listed below. This certificate authorizes the holder to assess student reading and provide reading instruction in response to those assessments. Reading Certificate holders are also authorized to develop, implement, and adapt the reading content curriculum and assist classroom teachers in these areas. Holders of the Reading Certificate may perform the above services at one or more school sites at the grade levels authorized by their prerequisite teaching credential. Enrollment in the Master's program is not required provided that the following admission requirements are met.

Admission Requirements

- a valid California Basic Teaching Credential (e.g., Multiple Subject or Single Subject Credential);
- a minimum 3.0 grade point average in the last 60 units attempted;
- successful completion of a basic course in the Teaching of Reading from an accredited university; if reading methods course is older than seven years, must show evidence of:
- current staff development in Language and Literacy by participation in workshops, institutes, etc., (Candidates must show documentation); or
- passing the RICA test within the past seven years; and
- completion of the Reading/Language Arts Specialist Credential Application or Reading Certificate (available in Eureka Hall 203 and on the web (<http://www.csus.edu/coe>)).

Teachers must have three years of teaching experience before the Reading Certificate can be awarded.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Courses (12 Units)		
EDTE 200	Practicum in Decoding and Fluency: Assessment and Instruction	3
EDTE 201	Practicum in Comprehension: Assessment and Instruction	3
EDTE 203	Teaching and Assessing Writing in the Pre-K through 12 Classroom	3
EDTE 205		3
Total Units		12