Kent State University
K-12 Reading Endorsement
13 hour endorsement program
16 hours if you need a phonics class

This is a graduate program. Courses taken as an undergraduate count towards the prerequisites for beginning this coursework.

We recommend you apply to the Master of Education in Reading Specialization program (M.Ed.). The K-12 reading endorsement coursework is part of the Master’s Program. You have a total of 6 years to complete this degree. You would have 18 hours (6 courses) left after the reading endorsement courses to complete your degree.

You can apply as grad non-degree; however, you can only transfer 12 of your 14 hours to a Master's program, thus, losing 2 graduate credits.

Even if you are unsure, you position yourself better by applying for the Master's degree in Reading Specialization so you lose no credit hours.

This is not an online program. We have some hybrid courses with some sessions online. We mainly offer face-to-face courses and experiences.

**If you choose the reading endorsement only, you have a total of 4 years to complete the coursework. You must apply within one year from the date of your last class to have the endorsement added to your teaching license. Anything past this time limit will result in having to retake classes.

Please keep this document in a safe location as it contains all the information you need to complete the endorsement and add the endorsement to your license.

K-12 Reading Endorsement = COURSES + TEST + APPLICATION

1. COURSES - 13-16 credit hours (16 if you have to take a phonics course)

   - C&I 67310 Theory and Practice in the Teaching of Reading (3 hrs)
   - C&I 67319 Diagnosis and Remediation in Reading (3 hrs)
   - C&I 67330 Reading in Content Areas (3 hrs)
   - C&I 67692 Clinical Practicum in Corrective Reading (3 hrs)
   - C&I 67396 Individual Investigation (1 credit hour, field hours, online)
     - In this course, you will earn hours outside your licensed grade bands.
PLUS, a phonics course IF you have not already taken a phonics course  
**MCED 50005** Effective Use of Phonics in Reading (or the like) (3 hrs)

Theory and Practice in the Teaching of Reading and Diagnosis and Remediation in Reading are taken prior to Clinical Practicum.

**Course Offerings**  
During the academic year, courses are offered once a week in the evening. Dates and times are subject to change. Summer dates and times change and these classes are held during the day. Please check online for that information.

**Offered Fall & Spring**  
**C&I 67310** Theory and Practice in the Teaching of Reading (3 hrs)  

**Spring**  
**C&I 67319** Diagnosis and Remediation in Reading (3 hrs)  
**C&I 67330** Reading in Content Areas (3 hrs)  
**C&I 67396** Individual Investigation (1 credit hour, field hours, online)  

**Summer**  
**C&I 67692** Clinical Practicum (3 hrs) (Summer only, M-F)  
This class is offered during Summer II dates (June 8-August 2, 2023)

**Fall, Spring, & Summer**  
**MCED 50005** Effective Use of Phonics in Reading (3 hrs, online)

If any links below are broken, please visit the Literacy Education website: [www.kent.edu/literacy](http://www.kent.edu/literacy)

**Information about when courses are offered**  
This shows the general course offering. However, this is subject to change.  
[https://www.kent.edu/ehhs/tlcs/le/masters-degree-reading](https://www.kent.edu/ehhs/tlcs/le/masters-degree-reading)

**Registering for Courses**  
There are two courses that you cannot register for yourself.

a) To register for the **C&I 67396 Individual Investigation**, please send your Kent State ID to Dr. Morgan dmorgan2@kent.edu  
The state of Ohio requires anyone seeking a K-12 reading endorsement to have documented experiences across 3 grade bands. This one-semester-hour course is designed to give you experiences in the teaching of reading and writing in grade bands in which you are NOT currently licensed. This course is completely online and you will have a menu of assignments to select for this course. You will make the decisions based on what and how you wish to learn. You are able to do this even if you are working full time. For admission to this course, please email Dr. Morgan dmorgan2@kent.edu with your Kent State ID number.
b) To register for the **C&I 67692 Clinical Practicum**, please send your Kent State ID to Dr. Morgan dmorgan2@kent.edu

Prior to enrolling in Clinical Practicum, your transcript must be checked to ensure you have the necessary prerequisites. You need to email Dr. Morgan with your Kent State ID number. She will check your transcript and issue a permit to allow you to register for class. This may take up to 7 days so please be patient. You will have an automatic spot in the class if you meet the requirements so please do not worry about being closed out.

2. **TEST (typically taken after coursework is complete - but not required)**
   OAE Reading (K-12) exam, subtest 1 (38) and 2 (39)
   Here is a link for that particular assessment:

3. **APPLICATION TO HAVE ENDORSEMENT ADDED TO YOUR TEACHING LICENSE**
   You must apply at the Vacca Office to have the endorsement added to your license when you have completed your coursework. There is a 12-month window to submit this information. Vacca Office of Student Services, 304 White Hall, phone: 330.672.2862, email: oss@kent.edu

   Website: [https://www.kent.edu/ehhs/voss/how-apply-educator-license](https://www.kent.edu/ehhs/voss/how-apply-educator-license)
   Follow the directions under the “Add an endorsement or teaching field to an existing license” heading.

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**Getting Started**

**Transcript Evaluation IF you are not a recent graduate (Verification Form)**
Ohio requires a certain number of prerequisite hours in reading (9-12 depending on license) before one can begin the graduate K-12 endorsement coursework. Most recent education graduates in Ohio meet this 9-12 hour requirement. However, if you attended school in another state or graduated some time ago, you may not have the necessary hours in reading coursework. If you think this applies to you, please complete a verification form [https://goo.gl/ngPpt8](https://goo.gl/ngPpt8) and submit an unofficial copy of your transcript to Dr. Morgan at dmorgan2@kent.edu. This is not your formal Kent State graduate application.

**Application to Graduate School**
You must apply to the graduate school. There are two choices: **M.Ed. (Master's in Reading Specialization)** or **Graduate, non-degree, K-12 reading endorsement only**. Consider applying for the M.Ed. (Master of Education in Reading Specialization) rather than grad non-degree as you can only transfer 12 of your 14 hours into a Master’s Program should you later decide to pursue your Master’s. We have rolling admissions so apply as soon as possible to ensure you can register for the necessary courses. Look for
information about the Richard and Joanne Vacca Scholarship if admitted to the Master's Program.

**How do I apply to the Graduate School?**
Go to [http://www.kent.edu/admissions/apply](http://www.kent.edu/admissions/apply). Select GRADUATE STUDENTS, then either “Graduate Degree Students” or “Graduate Non-Degree Students”, depending on how you are applying (see above).

**Tuition & Financial Aid**
For the most up to date information about tuition and financial aid, please visit Kent One Stop [http://www.kent.edu/onestop](http://www.kent.edu/onestop)

**Graduate Assistantships**
Full time students in the Master’s program may apply for a graduate assistantship that covers tuition and offers a small stipend in exchange for 10 or 20 hours of work a week. Please read more about this here under forms: Graduate Assistantship Application [https://www.kent.edu/graduate-assistant-application](https://www.kent.edu/graduate-assistant-application)

Have questions not addressed on the website? Contact Dr. Morgan [dmorgan2@kent.edu](mailto:dmorgan2@kent.edu)