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

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

We recommend you apply to the Master's 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.

**You have a total of 6 years to complete your the coursework for your reading endorsement. 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- 14-17 credit hours (17 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 of Reading Difficulties (3 hrs)

   C&I 67330 Reading in the Content Area (3 hrs)

   C&I 67692 Clinical Practicum (4 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 and Diagnosis are taken prior to Clinical Practicum.

### Course Offerings

During the academic year, courses are offered once a week in the evening at 4:25-7:05 pm, 5:30-8:15, or 7:20-10pm. 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&l 67310** Theory and Practice in the Teaching of Reading (3 hrs)  
**Spring**  
**C&l 67319** Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Difficulties (3 hrs)  
**C &l 67330** Reading in the Content Area (3 hrs)

**Summer**  
**C&l 67323** Clinical Practicum (4 hrs) (Summer only, M-F)  
This class is offered during Summer II dates  
2019 dates: June 10-August 3 9:00 am-12:30pm  
The last two weeks of this class are online

**Fall, Spring, & Summer**  
**MCED 50005** Effective Use of Phonics in Reading (3 hrs)  
Partially or fully online depending on semester

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If any links below are broken, please visit the College of Education page, find School of Teaching, Learning and Curriculum Studies, and find information via the Literacy Education website.

**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

### Registering for Courses

There are two courses that you cannot register for yourself.

To register for the **C & l 67396** Individual Investigation, please send your banner 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 banner ID number.

To register for the C&I 67292 Clinical Practicum please send your banner ID number to Sherry Ernsberger sernsber@kent.edu

Prior to enrolling in Clinical Practicum, your transcript must be checked to ensure you have the necessary pre-requisites. You need to email Sherry Ernsberger sernsber@kent.edu with your banner 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.

For questions about the course structure, please contact Dr. Zimmerman at bzimmerm@kent.edu.

2. TEST: (typically taken after coursework is complete- but not required)
OAE Reading (K-12) exam, subtest 1 (38) and 2 (39)

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 Offices 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
Follow the directions under the “Add and endorsement or teaching field to an existing license” heading.

Transcript Evaluation IF you are not a recent graduate (Verification Form)
Ohio requires a certain number of pre-requisite 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 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. (Masters 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 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?**


**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 Assistantship**

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)

**Kent State Literacy Website**  [https://www.kent.edu/literacy](https://www.kent.edu/literacy)

Please visit our comprehensive website for a detailed overview of the program. Please visit the FAQ page.

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