

# EDUCATION READING SPECIALIST (EDRS)

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**EDRS 650 School Based Literacy Leadership 3 Credit Hour(s)**

**Online Prerequisite:** EDUC 659

An investigation of research-based intervention for reading program. The role of the reading specialist to the total school program is also examined. Field experience required.

**Offered:** Online

**EDRS 652 Trends and Inquiry for the Reading Specialist 3 Credit Hour(s)**

This course focuses on evidence-based trends and inquiry related to components of an effective literacy program. Best practices in literacy instruction, assessment, and issues in literacy as well as leadership in these fields will be explored.

**Offered:** Online

**EDRS 659 Foundation & Theories of Literacy Instruction 3 Credit Hour(s)**

**Online Prerequisite:** EDRS 688 (may be taken concurrently)

A study of the major theories, models, and components of literacy. Foundational knowledge will be utilized to design effective literacy instruction.

**Offered:** Online

**EDRS 688 Reading Specialist Practicum 0 Credit Hour(s)**

**Online Prerequisite:** (Background Clear International with a score of 5 or Background Check Clearance with a score of 5 or Background Clear Out of State with a score of 5 or Background Clear Virginia with a score of 5) and EDRS 659 (may be taken concurrently) and (EDGT 691 or Advanced Gate 2 with a score of 5 or Advanced Gate 2-Doctoral with a score of 5) Candidates will participate in a supervised 30-hour field practicum designed to link theory with practice. This practicum may only be repeated one time with prior approval from the program chair.

**Offered:** Online

**EDRS 699 Internship-Reading Specialist 3 Credit Hour(s)**

**Online Prerequisite:** Advanced Gate 3 with a score of 5 or Advanced Gate 3-Doctoral with a score of 5 or Advanced Gate 3-Out of State with a score of 5 or Adv Gate 3-Out of State-Doc with a score of 5

This course serves as the culminating field experience internship for the Reading Specialist candidate. The course requires the completion of class assignments, field-based projects, and the minimum number of hours served as specified in the proposal. An overall performance assessment is provided to gauge the candidate's effectiveness and document the successful completion of the internship.

**Offered:** Online