Reading Specialist Endorsement

To add *Reading Specialist* to a valid Type B, A, or Level 2 or Level 3 Louisiana certificate, you must have: 1) a master’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university; 2) three years of experience in the licensed or certified field; 3) complete the 12 graduate semester hours listed below:

**Foundations of Reading – 3 semester hours:**

- RDG 5110 *Reading Instruction in the Elementary School*, or
- RDG 5210 *Reading and Literacy Instruction in the Elementary School* (3)

(Successful completion of RDG 5110 or 5210 is a pre-requisite for RDG 5510 and 5710)

**Diagnosis and correction of reading to include a Practicum – 6 semester hours:**

- RDG 5510 *Diagnosis and Correction of Reading Difficulties*, or
- RDG 5710 *Advanced Diagnosis and Correction of Reading Difficulties* (3)
  and
- RDG 6510 *Laboratory Practicum in Reading* (3)

(Successful completion of RDG 5510 or 5710 is a pre-requisite for RDG 6510)

**Reading in the Content Area – 3 semester hours:**

- RDG 5150 *Reading Strategies for Teaching in Content Subjects*, or
- RDG 5250 *Advanced Reading Instruction Across Content Areas* (3)

**NOTE:** Reading Specialist certification will be valid for teaching and/or supervision of reading in grades 1-12.