



MASTER OF EDUCATION/M.ED. & POST-MASTER CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN

# Literacy Leadership for Diverse Schools



## Earn an Advanced License as a K-12 Literacy Specialist

Reading Specialists make a profound difference in the reading, writing, and language development of students, which are skills critical to student development and success. The Literacy Program at George Mason University offers a number of degree options to teachers seeking to earn an advanced license and become a Literacy Specialist in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

- M.Ed. in Literacy Leadership for Diverse Schools, K-12 Reading Specialist** | 33 credit hours
- M.Ed. in Advanced Studies in Teaching and Learning, K-12 Reading Specialist** | 33 credit hours
- M.Ed. in Advanced Studies in Teaching and Learning, PK-12 Literacy Specialist** | 30 credit hours
- Certificate in Literacy, K-12 Reading Specialist** | 21 credit hours/post-master's

### Course Formats

Literacy Programs at George Mason University are offered in convenient evening, blended, and online formats to accommodate working teachers' schedules.

### Course Cohorts

If enough teachers from a school or district are enrolled, the Literacy Program has the capability to offer classes at a discounted rate onsite in Northern Virginia. For more information on Northern Virginia cohorts, or to explore the possibility of developing a cohort within your district or school, contact [literacy@gmu.edu](mailto:literacy@gmu.edu).

### Accreditation

Literacy Programs at George Mason University are approved by the Virginia Department of Education (SCHEV) to satisfy the academic requirements for the Reading Specialist Advanced License in Virginia (additional requirements found at [doe.virginia.gov/teaching](http://doe.virginia.gov/teaching)).

The College of Education and Human Development is accredited by the National Council of Accreditation for Teacher Education (NCATE).

*Literacy Programs at George Mason University are nationally recognized by the International Literacy Association.*

### Tuition Discounts

Tuition discounts are offered to Virginia educators meeting certain eligibility criteria, out-of-state students, and cohort participants. Visit [cehd.gmu.edu/admissions](http://cehd.gmu.edu/admissions) for details.

### Apply Now

The Office of Admissions at the College of Education and Human Development is here to support you through the application process. For more information on admissions requirements and deadlines, visit [cehd.gmu.edu/admissions](http://cehd.gmu.edu/admissions).

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