Wichita State University Reading Specialist Program

This advance K-12 endorsement program requires a valid Kansas teaching license, the specific required courses identified on this check sheet and a graduate degree in an education field.

Previously earned graduate degree in an education field.

| Title of Degree | Institution | Year Earned | Transcript on File |
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| Acceptance into graduate | degree program. | | |
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Required Reading Specialist Courses

| Dept. & Number | Course Title | Hours | Semester Offered |
|----------------|------------------------------------|-------|------------------|
| CI 615 | Learning and Reading Strategies | 3 | Summer |
| CI 705 | Knowledge and Beliefs about | 3 | Fall |
| | Reading | | |
| CI 714 | Reading Instruction and Assessment | 3 | Spring |
| CI 734 | Literature-Based Reading Programs | 3 | Summer |
| CI 736 | Organizing a Reading Program | 3 | Fall |
| CI 821 | Classroom Reading Practicum | 3 | Spring |
| | Total required hours | 18 | |

Once the above courses have been satisfactorily completed (Grade of B- or better in all courses), two years teaching experience in an accredited K-12 school, and a passing score on the reading content exam, you are eligible to apply for a **reading specialist initial license**. In order to upgrade to a **professional reading specialist license** you must complete a KSDE-approved, formal, year-long school district mentoring program.