M.Ed. in Reading Education Academic Assessment Plan 2012-13

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Academic Assessment Plan for M.Ed. in Reading Education

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A. Mission

In support of both the institutional and college mission, the aim of the Reading M.Ed program is to prepare state-certified reading specialists who are capable of assuming leadership roles in designing and implementing evidence-based, effective classroom reading assessment and instruction in K-12 settings.

B. Student Learning Outcomes and Assessment Measures

SLO Type	Student Learning Outcome	Assessment Method	Degree Delivery
Knowledge	The student identifies, describes, and explains best practices in Reading Education.	Students will achieve a passing score on the Florida Teacher Certification Exam (FTCE) Subject Area (Reading) test administered and scored by the Florida Department of Education.	Online and On Campus
Skills	The student organizes instruction, develops and applies appropriate reading instructional practices, and evaluates the impact of instruction on student learning.	Students will meet expectations on the Literacy Instruction Feedback Template (LIFT) instrument as evaluated by the student's Field Based Supervisor and University Based Supervisor for the reading practicum.	Online and On Campus
Professional Behavior	The student will collaborate with other professionals, reflect upon his or her own practice, and apply and ethical practices.	Students will meet expectations on the Literacy Instruction Feedback Template (LIFT) instrument as evaluated by the student's Field Based Supervisor and University Based Supervisor for the reading practicum.	Online and On Campus

C. Research

The MEd in Reading Education is not a research degree. However, students are expected to read and discuss in their course work research-based articles that inform current pedagogical approaches and policy initiatives related to reading instruction.

D. Assessment Timeline

Use this Assessment Timeline template for your plan. Add or delete rows and columns to accommodate your SLOs and assessments.

Program: M.Ed. in Reading Education College: Education

Assessment	Assessment 1	Assessment 2	Assessment 3
SLOs			
Knowledge			
#1	Successful completion of reading practicum (RED 6941)	Pass Florida Teacher Certification Exam (Subject Area Exam) prior to program completion	
Skills			
#2	Literacy Instruction Feedback Template (RED 6941)	Pass Florida Teacher Certification Exam in Reading prior to program completion	
Professional Behavior			
#3	Literacy Instruction Feedback Template (RED 6941)	Pass Florida Teacher Certification Exam (Professional Education Exam) prior to program completion	

E. Assessment Cycle

Program: M.Ed. in Reading Education College: Education

Analysis and Interpretation: October 1 through December 30

Program Modifications: Completed by March 15
Dissemination: Completed by May 15

SLOs	Year	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Content Knowledge							
#1		X	X	X	X	X	X
Skills							
#2		X	X	X	X	Х	X
Professional Behavior							
#3		X	X	X	X	Х	X

F. Measurement Tools

Students are evaluated for mastery of SLOs through their practicum experience (RED 6941) and performance on the Florida Teacher Certification Exam (Reading Subject Area test). An example of measurement tool used in reading practicum is the Literacy Instruction Feedback Template (LIFT) (Appendix 1).

G. Assessment Oversight

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Appendix 1: Literacy Instruction Feedback Template (LIFT)

Points Earned	Possible Points	Case Study Component
	150 points	Part I: Literacy Assessment Report (a-c)
	25 points	(a) Background information. Basic relevant information about
		student and summary of previous scores are provided, but no
		specific scores are needed here. Info is written in professional,
		non-judgmental manner.
	75 points	(b) Assessment Results: Brief explanation of each assessment
		given, including its purpose and the reason for using it. Results
		for each assessment should be clearly presented, preferably in
		tables, and briefly explained. QRI highest instructional level
		should be clearly stated. TOWRE and Peabody results should be
		translated into standard scores.
	50 points	(c) Summary/Interpretation of Results. This section should
		summarize and synthesize the overall results of all the
		assessments given. That is, what do the results of these
		assessments mean for this student's reading future? Be sure to
		highlight strengths as well as weaknesses.
	150 points	Part II: Tutoring Project (d-g)
	50 points	(d) Progress Summary. This will appear as a section of your
		assessment report, not in a separate tab. This section should
		include a description of your intervention and an overall
		summary of your student's progress during the intervention. It
		should also include a presentation of results from daily progress
		monitoring assessments.
	50 points	(e) Recommendations. This will appear as the last section of
		your assessment report, not in a separate tab. Two sets of clearly
		written recommendations – one for parents and one for
		teachers. Be sure to be specific and professional in your
		recommendations. Include links to any websites cited.
	25 points	(f)Session Notes. Notes from each tutoring session indicating
		activities completed, observations of your student's strategy use,
		issues during the sessions, adjustments made.
	25 points	(g) Writing Analysis. A selection of writing samples should be
		presented here, along with an analysis of the samples and an
		explanation of your student's writing progress. You should
		include a brief analysis within your assessment report.

Binder Dividers: Assessment report, session notes, writing analysis, test protocols, appendix

Figure 1. University of Florida Graduate/Professional Program Assessment Plan Review Rubric Related resources are found at http://www.aa.assessment.edu

Program: Year:

Component	Criterion	Rating			Comments
		Met	Partially Met	Not Met	
Mission Statement	Mission statement is articulated clearly. The program mission clearly supports the College and University missions, and includes specific statements describing how it supports these missions.				
Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) and Assessment Measures SLOs are stated clearly. SLOs focus on demonstration of student learning. SLOs are measurable. Measurements are appropriate for the SL					
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Research	Research expectations for the program are clear, concise, and appropriate for the discipline.				
Assessment Map	The Assessment Map indicates the times in the program where the SLOs are assessed and measured.				
	The Assessment Map identifies the assessments used for each SLO.				
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	The assessment cycle is clear. All student learning outcomes are measured. Data is collected at least once in the cycle. The cycle includes a date or time period for				
Assessment Cycle	data analysis and interpretation. The cycle includes a date for planning improvement actions based on the data analysis. The cycle includes a date for dissemination of				
	results to the appropriate stakeholders.				

University of Florida Graduate/Professional Program Assessment Plan Review Rubric, continued

Component	Criterion	Rating			Comments
		Met	Partially Met	Not Met	
Measurement Tools	Measurement tools are described clearly and concisely.				
	Measurements are appropriate for the SLOs.				
	Methods and procedures reflect an appropriate balance of direct and indirect methods.				
	The report presents examples of at least one measurement tool.				
Assessment Oversight	Appropriate personnel (coordinator, committee, etc.) charged with assessment responsibilities are identified				