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Admitted _____ ID# _____
[Columbus] [Elyria] [Cleveland] [Stark] [Ashland]
Grad. Appl. Term _____ 2nd MEd _____
Auditor _____ Date _____ Released _____

STUDENT NAME _____ SSN# _____
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LITERACY SPECIALIST ENDORSEMENT

The Literacy Specialist is intended as part of a "career ladder" in literacy, and the knowledge base for the endorsement is built on the reading foundation established by the reading endorsement. Literacy Specialists provide assistance and coaching directly to teachers rather than to students.

Stage One: Required pre-requisites:

- [] Ohio Reading Endorsements
[] Nine hours in Graduate Level Literacy Coursework
[] Three years of successful teaching
[] A commitment to completing the Literacy Specialist Program

Stage Two: Starting in the summer term:

Choice of 3 credit hours within the professional development cluster

- _____ EDAD 682 (3) Educational Politics, Policies and School/Community Relations
_____ EDAD 683 3 Educational Leadership
_____ EDAD 684 3 Professional Development
_____ EDAD 555 3 Human Behavior in Educational Administration
_____ EDLS 9882 3 Professional Development and Renewal

Choice of 3 credit hours within the student learning cluster

- _____ EDCI 507 (3) Language Communication Disabilities in Children (Prereq. EDCI 546)
_____ EDCI 546 3 Introduction to Education Intervention
_____ EDCI 542 3 Communication/Consultation/Teaming
_____ EDCI 548 3 Assessing and Teaching Children with Special Needs (Prereq. EDCI 546)
_____ EDCI 651 3 Curriculum Development and Education of the Talented (suggested EDIC 650)
_____ EDCI 652 3 Programs for the Talented (Prereq. EDCI 650 and EDCI 651)
_____ EDCI 653 3 Guidance and Counseling for the Talented (Prereq. EDCI 650 and EDCI 651)

Stage Three: During the fall term — enroll in both building level internships

- _____ EDCI 666 (3) Literacy Leadership I
_____ EDCI 667 (3) Literacy Practicum I

Stage Four: During the spring term — enroll in both district level internships

- _____ EDCI 668 (3) Literacy Leadership II
_____ EDCI 669 (3) Literacy Practicum II

TOTAL 18 SH

*Students must fulfill prerequisites and concurrent coursework

Licensure Program Evaluator: _____ Date _____

At Ashland University we want our students to become lifelong learners who are active and independent readers, writers, and thinkers. Literacy skills are essential for success in today's complex and technological world. The crucial factor that promotes or hinders success in today's society is the ability to access, understand, and use different types of information. Learning how to learn is one of the most important tools we can give our students.

The Ashland University Master of Education degree in literacy enables the student appropriate for both the classroom teacher seeking additional expertise in the instruction and assessment of literacy and the reading specialist preparing for specialized teaching situations.

Courses included in the M.Ed. program in Literacy are:

- EDCI 560 Literacy Theory and Practice
- EDCI 561 Content Area Literacy
- EDCI 562 Literacy for Children-Young Adults
- EDCI 563 Adv. Studies Lang. Arts
- EDCI 663 (Recommended for Reading Endorsement)
- EDCI 727 Inquiry Seminar in Literacy

The new Literacy Specialist program, in conjunction with the M.Ed. in Literacy, is a stand-alone endorsement after the M.Ed. and a:

- Possible cognate area for a doctoral program
- Part of the middle grades Master's program

This Literacy Specialist program includes:

- 6 credit hours in professional development and students with special needs
- Literacy Leadership I and Practicum I (6 hours) (Building level)
- Literacy Leadership II and Practicum II (6 hours) (District Level)