

STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TEACHER EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION



Program: Reading Specialist, P-12 Candidate's Name: Issued to candidate on by

Total Hours:

33-36

CLASS A PROGRAM CHECKLIST FOR TEACHING FIELD

(Not Alternative Class A)

0 - 3

must:

Institution:

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM

Date Approved:

Date Expires:

Revisions:

TEACHING FIELD	21
(At least 1/3 of the program shall be in teaching field courses)	
EEC 621 Teaching Language Arts	3
*EESL 640 Teaching New Lang, through Reading & Writing	3
EDR 600 Disciplinary Literacy P-12	3
EDR 650 Teaching Reading P-12	3
EDR 653 Literature for P-12	3
EDR 655 Reading Assessment & Evaluation	3
EDR 659 Research & Problems in Reading	3

*Survey of Special Education Coursework: Survey of Special Education Course (required if not completed previously).

ECY 600 Introduction to Exceptional Learners 0-3

* If special education was completed for prior level certification, another approved diversity course is required which is as follows: EESL 640 Teaching New Languages through Reading & Writing (see teaching field).

Program Admission Requirements for Class A Certification in Reading Specialist (P-12)

Prospective students should NOT begin any coursework without first seeking advisement from the program faculty advisor (call 205-934-5371). Students who ignore this admonition assume responsibility for their own mistakes.

In addition to meeting the requirements for admission to the Graduate School, a candidate must meet requirements for unconditional admission to the Reading Specialist (P-12) Program. Requirements for unconditional admission to the Class A Reading Specialist Program (P-12) shall include one of the following:

- A valid Alabama bachelor's level professional educator 1. certificate in early childhood, elementary education, or collaborative special education (K-6) and two years of full-time classroom teaching experience in a state accredited school; or
- A valid bachelor's level professional educator certificate in teaching field, two years of full-time classroom teaching experience in a state accredited school, and a passing score on the PRAXIS Teaching Reading test validated for use in Alabama.

Please Note: If an individual holds a valid bachelor's level professional educator certificate from another state, this individual must hold a valid Alabama Class B certificate before completing this Class A program in Reading Specialist (P-12) and subsequently applying for Alabama certification at the Class A level.

EDR 690 Reading Internship, P-12	3
ALSDE Requirements for Class A Certification	in

ADDITIONAL COURSES

Fechnology Standards:

(met in ECT 626)

INTERNSHIP

EPR 594 Introduction to Educational Research EDR 654 Dyslexia Research, Education, & Advocacy

EDC 695 Coaching for Effective Instruction

Reading Specialist (P-12) Once a candidate has completed checklist requirements and has met all admission, exit, and certification requirements, the candidate will be eligible for Class A Reading Specialist (P-12) Certification. To be eligible for this certification, the candidate

- submit a completed application for certification during the last term of enrollment in the Class A Reading Specialist (P-12) Program (and no more than 60 calendar months following completion of the degree program);
- successfully complete all courses on the Class A program checklist, meet the criteria of UAB's Graduate School for completing the corresponding degree program, and maintain a minimum GPA of 3.25 for all the courses on this checklist:
- possess an Alabama Class B Professional Educator Certificate in any teaching field (see options 1 & 2 under Admission);
- achieve a passing score on the Praxis II Reading Specialist exam;
- successfully meet all requirements for the Alabama Educators Certification Assessment Testing Program (AECAP) as a precondition for certification.

Dean of Education: Michelle Robinson

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