

READING, FOUNDATION & TECHNOLOGY

College Teaching

This certificate provides a 10 hour graduate-level experience that will prepare students for entry-level- college teaching at a community college or in preparation of teaching assignments in graduate or doctoral programs. Certificate courses provide for the acquisition of knowledge and skills necessary for adult learning such as effective teaching methods, strategies for both the traditional and online classroom, the faculty member's role in curriculum development, strategies that improve student success at the college level, digital technology in the college classroom, and other topical issues in higher education.

**Dyslexia**

This certificate provides a 12-hour graduate-level program for individuals interested in understanding the complexities of working with students identified as dyslexic or those demonstrating characteristics of dyslexia. The certificate program provides students with both theory and practical knowledge, including hands-on training, for working with students with dyslexia. The certificate is designed to equip teachers with knowledge of working with students in their own classroom or in an intervention setting. **This is a certificate issued by Missouri State University and does not represent state or national certification in dyslexia.**

Literacy

This certificate provides a 12-hour graduate-level experience for several groups of students: those working on DESE Special Reading Teacher, K-12, certification-only coursework; those in other graduate programs who want to add additional literacy (RDG) coursework as an emphasis area; those who already have a master's degree but want to add the DESE Special Reading Teacher, K-12, certification; or those in other situations where additional literacy coursework would allow them to qualify for a new position in the field of education. **This certificate is a Missouri State University Certificate and does not meet Missouri's DESE Certification requirements for teaching.**

**Online Teaching & Learning**

This certificate provides a 12 hour graduate-level experience that will prepare students with the skills and knowledge required to be an effective online instructor. The certificate curriculum provides preparation in the areas of online instruction, including pedagogy, and models for synchronous and asynchronous online learning, classroom management, instructional strategies, learning analytics, and assessment. **This certificate is a Missouri State University certificate and does not meet the State of Missouri certification required for teaching.**

Teacher Leadership

This certificate is designed for those teachers who want to improve their own practice and develop teacher leadership skills and understandings, but who do not want to pursue the complete Specialist in Education, Teacher Leadership. To earn the certificate in Teacher Leadership, students must follow the admission procedures for the Specialist in Education, Teacher Leadership. Please note: This certificate in Teacher Leadership does not prepare (or certify) teachers to work as a building principal.

**Teaching & Learning**

This certificate is designed for those teachers who want to improve their own practice and participate in important school community decisions, but who do not want to pursue the complete Master of Arts in Teaching and Learning. To earn the certificate in Teaching and Learning, students must follow the admission procedures for the Master of Arts in Teaching and Learning (see MATL graduate catalog description). Please note: This certificate in Teacher Leadership does not prepare (or certify) teachers to work as a building principal.