The Department of Curriculum & Instruction requests authority to add the EDCI 5340 and EDBE 5322 to the list of courses that students seeking the Reading Specialist Certification can take to fulfill their certification requirements:

The requirements for the Reading Specialist Certification would appear as follows:

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE – Reading Specialist

Requirements

1. Master’s Degree
2. Three years of acceptable and successful teaching experience
3. Valid Texas Teacher Certificate
4. Reading Specialist Certification Exam (Code 59)

Coursework: 18 SCH

EDRD 5303 Theoretical Models and Processes of Reading
EDRD 5305 Content Reading Instruction
EDRD 5309 Theory and Practice of Early Reading Development
EDRD 5313 Organization and Evaluation of Reading Programs
EDRD 5319 Advanced Diagnosis of Reading Difficulties
EDRD 5323 Individualized Instruction in Reading
One course chosen from:

EDBE 5324 Bilingual / Multicultural Teaching Strategies OR EDDP 5327 Educating Diverse Populations: Teaching Diverse Students

SOCI 4317 Race and Ethnic Relations

SOCI 5301 Advanced Topics in Sociology

SOCI 5309 Immigration and Biculturalism

One course chosen from:

ENGL 4347 Contrastive Linguistics

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EDBE 5322 Bilingual Oral Language Assessment and Development

One course chosen from:

PSYC 4308 Theory and Principles of Psychological Testing

PSYC 5355 Practicum in Psychometrics

EDCI 5340 Measurement and Assessment in Education

Rationale: In addition to addressing the requisite content under their respective headings, offering EDBE 5322 and EDCI 5340 will provide graduate students seeking Reading Specialist certification greater scheduling flexibility in completing their requirements.

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