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## LANGUAGE AND LITERACY EDUCATION, M.ED. - READING SPECIALIST

The Department of Early, Middle and Exceptional Education offers a master's in language and literacy education leading to reading specialist certification. This concentration is available for PK-4 teachers, and middle level and secondary teachers (with a prerequisite course to address the PK-4 portion of this PK-12 certification) who possess an Instructional I Certificate in Pennsylvania. A Master of Education in language and literacy education offers the student the opportunity to participate in original research and experiential programs in this field, with a practicum at the end of the coursework. All courses and learnings are aligned with knowledge and practice standards for PK-12 Reading Specialist - PDE Chapter 49 Structured Literacy Competencies.