



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION  
OFFICE OF EDUCATOR QUALITY – EDUCATOR PREPARATION

**SPECIAL READING, GRADES K-12**

EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM NAME	EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM CODE
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**INSTRUCTIONS**

Please complete Educator Preparation Program (EPP) Name & EPP Code above. The EPP Code may be located at <https://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/EPP-Code-Name.pdf>

**Certification Requirements:**

- Course Number – List the course number(s) for the course(s) or groups of competencies that align with the specific section of the requirements. It is possible to have more than one course or group listed.
- Course Title – List the course title(s) for the course(s) or groups of competencies that align with the specific section of the requirements. It is possible to have more than one course or group listed.
- Semester Hours – List the number of semester hours for each specific section. It is possible to use decimals (to the nearest tenth) to indicate partial use of a course to meet a requirement. The total number of semester hours must meet or exceed the minimum required number of semester hours.

Email the completed cover sheet, curriculum matrix, and advising/program information to [DESE.MoSPETransition@dese.mo.gov](mailto:DESE.MoSPETransition@dese.mo.gov) on or before the date established in the Transition Plan.

QUESTIONS: Contact Gale Hairston, 573/751-1668 or [DESE.MoSPETransition@dese.mo.gov](mailto:DESE.MoSPETransition@dese.mo.gov)

**General Requirements**

Valid Missouri Teaching Certification

Two-Years of Teaching Experience

**A. Professional Requirements**

1. Child Psychology (May be met with a three semester hour combined course in Child and Adolescent Psychology)

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2. Adolescent Psychology (May be met with a three semester hour combined course in Child and Adolescent Psychology)

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3. Psychology and/or Education of the Exceptional Child (three semester hours)

Course Number	Course Title	Semester Hours

4. Evaluation of Abilities and Achievement (three semester hours)

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5. Special Reading Content Knowledge for Teaching – Minimum of 18 semester hours which must include:

Course Number	Course Title	Semester Hours
a. Reading (minimum of 12 semester hours with at least two courses at the graduate level, one of which must be Analysis and Correction of Reading Disabilities)		
b. Language Acquisition and Development or Language Development of the Exceptional Child		
c. Behavior Intervention Strategies		
d. Counseling Techniques		

6. Culminating Clinical Experience with Students Experiencing Reading Difficulties (six semester hours to include both elementary and secondary settings)

Course Number	Course Title	Semester Hours

**Professional Requirements - Total Semester Hours**

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