

LITERACY SPECIALIST, MSED

Campus: Online

For

Individuals with a teaching certificate in childhood or adolescent education who want to become certified literacy specialists.

What You Learn

Graduates of this 30-credit hour online program will gain an understanding of the interrelationships among language acquisition, cognitive and metacognitive processes, and literacy development; and develop strategies for working with teachers and students to support children with literacy needs at all levels of competencies.

How You Learn

You choose between an Early Childhood/Childhood (birth–grade 6) or Middle Childhood/Adolescent (grades 5–12) concentration and, after a 12-credit core curriculum, you then take a 12-credit sequence of courses in your concentration. These courses are available online.

Your program culminates in a one-semester practicum with clinical and school experiences and a related teacher-as-researcher course project.

The Pace University Center for Literacy Enrichment on the White Plains Campus may be a setting for your internship and research project. For more than 25 years, the Center has provided instruction to improve the reading and writing of elementary and middle school children, with an emphasis on literature.

Career Outcomes

Candidates who complete this program are eligible for an advanced or professional certificate in the teaching of literacy to Early Childhood/Childhood (birth–grade 6) or Middle Childhood/Adolescent (grades 5–12) students.