MASTER OF ARTS IN LITERACY STUDIES
PROGRAM BEGINS FALL 2019

EARN A READING SPECIALIST ENDORSEMENT

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WHY CHOOSE WMU FOR YOUR M.A. IN LITERACY STUDIES?

• M.A. in literacy studies qualifies candidates for the MDE Reading Specialist Endorsement.
• WMU has excellent pass rates (over 95%) on the Michigan Test of Teacher Certification in the Reading Specialist Endorsement area.
• Our graduates advance to Reading Specialist, Instructional Coach, Literacy Coach, Curriculum Director, and other leadership positions in schools and districts.
• Special funding for a cohort of 25 educators begins August 2019.
• Delivery model is online and will be completed over a 24 month period.
• For detailed course descriptions, please visit https://goo.gl/moJHYq.

M.A. LITERACY STUDIES PROGRAM OUTLINE - 24 MONTH SCHOLARSHIP COHORT

LS 6170 (3 Credits)  LS 6100  LS 5980 Elective 1 (6 credits)  LS 6300  LS 6180 (3 Credits)  LS 6240 (3 Credits)  LS 6420 (3 Credits)  LS 5980 Elective 2 (3 Credits)  LS 6400 (3 Credits)

APPLICATION DEADLINE July 15, 2019 or until filled

NOTES:
• Students should apply individually online for the MA in Literacy Studies
• Students pay regular tuition at time of registration and receive scholarship reimbursements upon successful completion of each course.
• Scholarship reimbursements are calculated at approximately $460 per 3 credit course.
• Students should apply for additional funding from districts and also from sources provided in this flyer.
• When applying online – please indicate in your letter of interest that you are applying for the scholarship cohort.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

• Official transcripts.
• Teaching certificate and any endorsements.
• Letter of interest - summarize teaching philosophy, professional experiences, and your professional goals in a double spaced written statement of 1,000-1,500 words. Please mention that you agree to the tentative schedule of classes posted on page one.
• Three to five references (email addresses only).

HOW TO APPLY

APPLY HERE: WMICH.EDU/APPLY/GRADUATE

EMAIL: admissions-graduate@wmich.edu

*Remember to indicate in your letter of interest that you are interested in the LS Scholarship Cohort for Fall 2019.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

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**These costs are approximate and may vary slightly and do not reflect any financial support provided by your district.

ADDITIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

• Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grants provide up to $4,000 per year for qualified applicants. For more information visit their website: studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/teach-grant.pdf
• Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Program (wmich.edu/grad/fellowships-grants/marshall)
• WMU University Dames Endowed Scholarship (wmich.edu/grad/fellowships-grants/dames)
• Remember to check with your local school district, ISD or RESA for any additional funding.