TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY COMMERCE	**Curriculum & Instruction Department** **Master's Degree Advising Guide For** **Major in Reading**

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Degree Choices	Check Degree	Degree Requirements
Master of Education Degree (MEd) 36 hours. For certified and experienced teachers seeking Texas Reading Specialist certification.		1. Part A. All 8 Reading courses. 2. Part B. EDCI 595, 3. Part C: Required Electives- ELED 524, ELED 545 or SED 513 and PSY 545
Master of Science Degree (MS) 36 hours For certified and experienced teachers seeking Texas Reading Specialist certification.		1. Part A. All 8 Reading courses. 2. Part B. EDCI 595 3. Part C. 9 hours from any grad courses in the dept., college, or university.
Master of Arts Degree (MA) (+ 12 hours foreign language requirement)		1. Part A. 6 Reading courses (RDG 520, 521, 523, 528, 540, 562) and ELED 524, 2. Part B. 3-6 hrs EDCI 595 3. Part C. 9 hours from any grad courses in the dept., college, or university.

Course Inventory	Sem. Completed	Final Grade
Part A. Reading Courses	**Sem. Completed**	**Final Grade**
RDG 520: Literacy and Instruction I: Phonics and Word Analysis		
RDG 521: Literacy and Instruction II: Comprehension		
RDG 523: Promoting Literacy through Language		
RDG 528: Integrating Writing in the Literacy Program		
RDG 540: Prescriptive and Content Area Reading (can sub EDCI 517)		
RDG 560: Literacy Assessment		
RDG 562: Critical Issues in Literacy Education		
RDG 567: Practicum in organizing for effective literacy Instruction in elementary, middle, and high school		
Part B. Research Courses (3-6 Hrs)	**Sem. Completed**	**Final Grade**
EDCI 595: Research Literature & Techniques OR		
EDCI 518: Thesis		
Part C. Required Electives or Free Electives (9 – 18 Hrs)	**Sem. Completed**	**Final Grade**
ELED 524: Lang. Arts Curriculum, Gds. 1-8		
ELED 545: Issues in the Deve of Elem Curr for secondary candidates **or** SED 513: Secondary School Curriculum for elementary candidates		
PSY 545: Development Psychology		

Contact any of the advisors below for degree plan assistance

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant must first apply and meet general requirements of the Graduate School.
1. Applicants must hold a valid Texas teaching certificate (or) successful scores on the TExES exam (or) have a satisfactory score of the combined verbal and quantitative portions of the GRE.
2. Undergraduate grade point average must be 2.75 overall (or) 3.00 on the last 60 hours in the undergraduate program.

To apply online, click on Application for Graduate Admission.The Graduate School can also be contacted by email at graduate.school@tamuc.edu or by telephone at 903.886.5163.

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MASTERS COMPREHENSIVE EXAM

Students are required to take and pass a written comprehensive examination during the semester they graduate. Exams are given three times a year; fall, spring, and summer 1. It is important to apply during the very first week of your final semester. To get more information about the exams and submit your application, click on Master's Comprehensive Exam Information and Application.

GRADUATION APPLICATION

Because the window to apply for graduation is extremely short, it is important to apply during the first two weeks of the semester you plan to graduate. Complete the online Graduation Application through your myLEO menu. You may also call the Registrar's Office at 903-886-5071. Then update your degree plan and email it to your advisor who must have it to endorse your application for graduation.