



**Literacy Coaching**  
**Literacy/Reading Instruction**  
**Graduate Certificate**

With a Concentration in Literacy Coaching

## PROGRAM FEATURES

- Aligned with the newly released professional standards for literacy coaching from the International Literacy Association.
- Designed for literacy leaders who want to more effectively support teachers' professional learning and student achievement through literacy coaching.
- Supports the career development of Reading Specialists or other literacy leaders.

## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Support adult learning
- Design effective professional development
- Serve as a change agent in diverse schools
- Lead with digital technology
- Advocate for equity in literacy education

## FORMAT

- 100% online
- Four eight-week courses
- Completed in a single year

## COURSEWORK

### Fall

- **EDRD 680** Foundations of Coaching and Fostering Professional Learning
- **EDRD 681** Collaboration and Communication in Literacy Coaching

### Spring

- **EDRD 682** Creating Change through Data-Oriented Coaching
- **EDRD 683** Trends and Issues in Literacy Instruction and Literacy Coaching

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Resume: recently updated.
- Goals statement: 750-1000 words describing your academic and career goals related to the intended program.
- Transcripts: unofficial transcripts for application review, and official documents for any international credentials.

## ADDITIONAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

- Applicants must have a master's degree in literacy (or closely-related field) or license/endorsement as a Reading Specialist in order to be admitted.
- Each course requires students to conduct related practice in their own schools or specified field settings.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

### FALL

Priority: April 1

Space Available: August 15

### SPRING

Priority: November 1

Space Available: January 10

## FUNDING OPTIONS

15% tuition discount for qualified Virginia educators

40% tuition discount off the university's approved rate for out-of-state graduate students

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