DEPARTMENT OF LITERACY

Minor in Literacy Advising Sheet (effective Fall 2025)

Questions can be directed to the Literacy Department Chairperson at 610-436-2877

	CORE (12 credits)	
Equity Literacy	EDR 200: Literacy, Diversity, & Equity in K-12 Classrooms	3
	All majors: Offered Fall & Spring semesters	
Childhood Development (for Early Grades)	EGP 210 Middle Childhood & Adolescent Development	3
Educational Psychology (for Middle Grades	EDP 201 Young Adolescent/Adolescent Development and Learning Theories, or EDP 250 Educational Psychology	3
Language Arts & Reading	EDR 304: Teaching Language Arts PK-4 (EGP majors select this course)	3
(choose 1 by program)		
	EDR 306: Teaching Language Arts 4-8 (prerequisite EDP 201 or EDP 250)	3
	MGP majors select this course	
	EDR 307: Foundations of Reading PK-4 (prerequisite EGP 210) EGP majors select this course	3
	EDR 308: Foundations of Reading 4-8 (prerequisite EDP 201 or EDP 250)	3
	MGP majors select this course	3
	FOCUS AREAS (9 credits) – Choose one focus area	
	Focus Area – Early Grades Education	
2 Descripted Courses		
2 Required Courses	EDR 321: Assessment & Instructional Interventions in Reading and Language Arts	
	Offered Fall (prerequisites EDR 304 & 307). Clearances are required.	3
	EDR 345: Literacy Development and Students in Inclusive Classrooms (prerequisites EDR 304 & 307)	3
	EDR 420: (Note: Offered Fall) Reading in the Content Areas (prerequisites EDR 304	
Electives – Choose 1	& <i>307</i>).	3
	EDR 422: Seminar in Reading (Note: Offered Spring semesters)	J
	(prerequisites EDR 304 & 307)	3
	Focus Area- Middle Grades Education	
2 Required Courses	EDR 420: (Note: Offered Fall) Reading in the Content Areas (prerequisites EDR 306 & 308).	3
	EDR 347: Literacy Development and Secondary Students with Disabilities in Inclusive Classrooms (prerequisite EDR 306 & EDR 308)	3
Electives – Choose 1	EDR 422: Seminar in Reading (Note: Offered Spring semesters) (prerequisites EDR 306 & 308)	3
	LIT 398: Young Adult Literature (prerequisite Lit 220)	3
	SED 391: Teaching Writing in the Middle School	3
	Focus Area – Family & Community Literacy	
	EDR 321: Assessment & Instructional Interventions in Reading and Language Arts	3
Electives – Choose 3	(prerequisites EDR 304 & 307 or 306 & 308) Clearances are required.	3
	EDR 345: Literacy Development and Students in Inclusive Classrooms	3
	(prerequisites EDR 304 & 307)	
	EDR 347: Literacy Development and Secondary Students with Disabilities in Inclusive Classrooms (prerequisite EDR 306 & EDR 308, or EDA 103 or MUE 201)	3
	EDR 420: Reading in the Content Areas	
	(prerequisites EDR 304 & 307 or EDR 306 & 308)	
	EDR 422: Seminar in Reading (Note: Offered Spring semesters only)	3
	(prerequisites EDR 304 & 307 or EDR 306 & 308)	-
	LIT 220: Children's Literature	3
	LIT 398: Young Adult Literature	3
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REQUIREMENTS

Teacher Candidacy Requirement:

- Completion of the tracks for Early & Middle Grades Education requires Teacher Candidacy.
- Students in the Early & Middle Grades Education track who do not achieve Teacher Candidacy must transfer to the Family & Community Literacy track.

Clearances Requirement:

- Clearances are required for EDR 321: Assessment & Instructional Interventions in Reading and Language Arts, and for sections of 307or 308 that include a Service-Learning component. Check Class Notes before enrolling in any section to determine the inclusion of Service-Learning.
- Clearances must be current (done within the past year) and valid for the duration of the course.
- Clearances include Criminal Background, PA Child Abuse FBI Fingerprinting, and tuberculosis test.