



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
WARRENSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT
and
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishes the coordination of activities between the University of Central Missouri (UCM) and the Warrensburg School District in cooperatively offering a total of 33 credit hours towards an MSE in Literacy Education. This agreement supersedes the previous MOU executed August 26, 2023.

- UCM and Warrensburg School District will provide the following credit courses:
 - *EDFL 5000 Science of Reading: Challenges of Reading Acquisition and the Speech Sounds of English 3 Credit Hours
 - *EDFL 5000 Science of Reading: Code Emphasis Instruction-- Phonics, Decoding, and Spelling 3 Credit Hours
 - *EDFL 5000 Science of Reading: Oral Language, Vocabulary, and Reading Comprehension 3 Credit Hours
 - *EDFL 5000 Science of Reading: Comprehension Strategies and Writing 3 Credit Hours
 - EDFL 5210 Assessment of Literacy Development 3 Credit Hours
 - EDFL 5220 Practicum in Literacy Assessment 3 Credit Hours
 - EDFL 5230 Practicum in Instructional Techniques for Literacy Enhancement 3 Credit Hours
 - EDFL 5250 Language Development in the Literacy Program 3 Credit Hours
 - EDFL 5260 Evaluation of Abilities and Achievement in the Literacy Program 3 Credit Hours
 - EDFL 6220 The Literacy Coach 3 Credit Hours
 - EDFL 6250 Theoretical Applications: Scholarly Portfolio 3 Credit Hours

*Candidates who sufficiently document completion of this Science of Reading content via alternative registration in professional development, from UCM or elsewhere, may apply for "credit for prior learning" in place of these EDFL courses.

- Courses listed above will be taught in online and hybrid modalities. If delivered onsite courses will occur at a mutually agreed upon location within the Warrensburg School District.
- Courses listed above for those students to whom this MOU applies (identified by UCM working together with the school district) will be billed at \$235.00 per credit hour and is to be paid by the teachers/students.
- Some courses, if needed, may be taught by Warrensburg School District employees meeting minimum UCM graduate faculty qualifications, hired as adjunct instructors, as mutually agreed and paid by UCM for such services.
- Warrensburg School District will assist in the recruitment of teachers who wish to enroll in the above-mentioned courses.
- Teachers/students will pay tuition and fees directly to UCM.



- The typical pace of taking courses is approximately six (6) credit hours per semester (fall, spring, and summer), unless otherwise directed to by the faculty liaison.
- For those students to whom this MOU applies, who choose to complete some but not all the Science of Reading content, appropriate alternative courses can be added to the degree program of study under the direction of university faculty advisors in order to meet degree completion requirements.
- Final requirements for Missouri Special Reading Certification (separate from this MOU and not required for degree completion) are contingent on passing state required exam and on transcript analysis; additional coursework may be required depending on student undergraduate and/or other graduate coursework.
- Students/teachers must meet the minimum qualifications for admission to UCM's Graduate Studies and the academic program as outlined below. Students will incur an application fee (currently \$30, subject to change).
 - Have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited or National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education institution with a minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5
 - Submit proof of teacher certification or provide a professional endorsement from any of the 50 states or territories.
 - Submit a copy of a recent summative teaching evaluation (i.e., a PBTE or similar evaluation form) or a letter from a school superintendent, principal, or professor attesting to teaching abilities and graduate school potential.
 - Submit an application for admission (including submission of official undergraduate transcripts).
- Students accepted into the MSE in Literacy Education prior to Fall 2024 will be under the guidelines of a graduate catalog requiring 35 hours for degree completion. Starting Fall 2024 that requirement is changing to 33 hours. Students accepted prior to Fall 2024 will have the option to move into the new 33-hour catalog requirements at that time.
- Completion of the program, in addition to the graduate degree, also leads to three UCM Academic Badges being developed:
 - The Science of Reading, Dyslexia Intervention, and Literacy Coaching.
- Students/teachers may also incur a graduation fee upon the conclusion of the degree (currently \$50, subject to change).
- This MOU will stay in effect for a total of six semesters ending Summer 2028.
- Any correspondence during the term of this MOU should be directed to:

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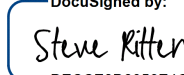


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Name: Dr. Tim Crown, Interim Provost

Name: Steve Ritter

Date: _____

Date: August 7, 2024



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Name: Phillip Bridgmon

Date: August 26, 2023

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Name: Steve Ritter

Date: August 16, 2023