

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES PH.D. IN READING AND LANGUAGE ARTS

Individuals seeking admission into the Reading and Language Arts program for the Ph.D. degree must meet the following requirements:

1. Application for admission to The Florida State University submitted to the Office of Graduate Admissions and submission of a department application to:
Department of Childhood Education, Reading, and Disability Services
College of Education
215 Stone Building
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4457
2. Master's degree from an accredited, reputable university.
3. Submission of a Graduate Record Examination score as part of the application process.
4. Evidence of a 3.5 grade point average or better in the master's degree coursework and a minimum score of 1000 on the combined verbal and quantitative portions on the GRE.
5. Submission of a vita, a statement of professional objectives, and writing samples.
6. Three letters of professional recommendation.
7. Minimum of three years of professional experience in the field or in a related field.
8. Interview with the Reading and Language Arts program faculty.

The application process within the University proceeds as follows:

1. The applicant submits a university application with transcripts and GRE scores to the [Office of Graduate Admissions](#).
2. The applicant submits a departmental application to the Department of Childhood Education, Reading, and Disability Services (CERDS). You can obtain this application by visiting the department in person or contacting the office by phone or fax. Phone: (850) 644-5458, Fax: (850) 644-7736.
3. After an application has been processed by the Graduate School, it is forwarded to the CERDS. A Reading and Language Arts Program faculty committee reviews the application materials and recommends acceptance or rejection of the applicant, based on the review of all data.
4. The recommendation of the Department on admission is returned to the FSU Graduate School which, in turn, officially notifies the applicant.

FEES AND FINANCIAL AID

Graduate students are charged tuition either as a Florida resident or a non-resident. The tuition is higher for students writing a thesis or dissertation than those taking courses. The current schedule of charges may be obtained by contacting Graduate Admissions (850-644-3420) or this Department (850-644-5458). A limited number of out-of-state tuition waivers are available to regular, full-time graduate students.

Financial assistance is available through federal and state financial aid programs, departmental assistantships, and college and university fellowships. The GRE is required for fellowships. Application forms and additional information can be obtained by contacting the Assistant Dean for Student Services at:

108 Stone Building
The Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4065
(850) 644-3760
(850) 644-6868 FAX
www.coe.fsu.edu/finaid

Applications for departmental graduate assistantships can be obtained by contacting the CERDS Department Chair at:

Department Chair, CERDS
215 Stone Building
The Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4457
(850) 644-5458
(850) 644-7736 FAX

These forms should be submitted to the Department and will be considered after the student has been accepted into the Program. Students may apply for other financial assistance not administered by the Department by contacting the University's Office of Financial Aid at:

University Center
The Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL 32306
(850) 644-5871
(850) 644-6404 FAX